RING TROPHY
We are all looking forward to a great day of fun and friendship at the Ring Trophy Sports Day tomorrow, Friday, 13 September in Baradine. The participating schools include St Joseph’s Gilgandra, St Lawrence’s Coonabarabran, St John’s Baradine and St Brigid’s Coonamble. The sports day is for ALL STUDENTS from Kinder to Year 6 and includes a march, class races, relays, ball games, tug-o’-wars and novelty activities. THE CHILDREN ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR FULL SPORTS UNIFORM. Our full sports uniform includes:
- **Boys**: School sports shirt, maroon sports shorts, school hat, school sports socks, white shoes. For the march, the children MUST WEAR JOEY’S SPORTS SOCKS OR ALL WHITE SOCKS AND ALL WHITE JOGGERS. They may change into running shoes after the march if they wish. The children will be required to assemble beside the Memorial Hall (eastern end of Wellington Street) at 9:00 a.m. to get ready for the march which will begin at 9:30 a.m. The march will conclude at the oval where the rest of the day’s activities will be held. The day will conclude at 2:00 p.m. **Those children who have indicated they would need transport to Baradine will be travelling by bus and the bus will depart school at 7:00 a.m.** The cost of the bus will be $10.00 per family. We anticipate arriving back in Gilgandra at approximately 4:00 p.m., however we will ring Mrs Hodge when we are leaving so she will have an idea what time we will return.

ST JOSEPH’S SCHOOL ANNUAL CONCERT
**“History of the World”**
Gilgandra High School Hall
Wednesday, 18 September – 6:00 p.m.
Our annual concert involving all students from Kinder to Year 6 will be staged next Wednesday, 18 September at the Gilgandra High School Hall at 6:00 p.m. All students need to be at the high school hall by 5:45 p.m. dressed in their costumes so that the concert can begin at 6:00 p.m. Could your child please bring a water bottle and a snack with them. We hope to see lots there for a great night out. Please bring a plate to share for supper at the conclusion of the concert.

MOORAMBILLA
Best of luck to **Jacob Lumnis, Grace Alchin and James Ferguson** who attend their second Moorambilla camp next week. During this time Jacob, Grace and James will perform with other talented singers from across the north west region of NSW. A marvellous experience for our three talented performers.

THANK YOU ASHLEIGH
We farewelled our student Occupational Therapist, Ashleigh Burden today. We thank Ashleigh for all her hard work and wish her all the best for the future.

ST JOEY’S SCHOOL FETE
**Friday, 25 October 3:00 – 7:00 p.m.**
It’s time to start getting thinking about our school fete. Fete Coordinator, Melanie Ferguson has asked if anyone has any ideas or suggestions they can contact her on 0428 470303. Mel is looking for a coordinator from Years 5 or 6 for the ‘Everyone’s a Winner’ Stall. It would be great to get a coordinator for this stall early, so they can start getting organised. We will be asking for donations for the Infants Baking/Produce Stall, the Years 3/4 Tombuli Stall and the Years 5/6 Everyone’s a Winner Stall. We already have some containers in the office if anyone is keen to do some cooking for the cake stall and freezing prior to the fete. You might be able to organise some things to donate for these stalls during the holidays because as we know the fete will be here before we know it!

BUY A PAVER
We are updating our Wrigley Street entrance path with more engraved pavers for those who wish to purchase one. If you would like your name, a family member or friend’s name permanently engraved on a paver and included in the path, please pick up a form from the office. The cost is $30.00 and a maximum of 34 characters are allowed on each paver with each character represented by one letter, number, space or punctuation mark.

GILGANDRA SHIRE LIBRARY
Looking for something fun to do during the holidays? Come to Gilgandra Shire Library and meet a real, live author! LynRalston aka Ditz is the author of ‘The Bum Book’. With facts made fun and a healthy dose of imagination, this book appeals to kids of all ages, and is guaranteed to engage kids who love to read and kids who don’t. Ditz will entertain you and make sure you have a good time. So come to Gilgandra Library for some laughs and cartooning!
When: Thursday 26th September at 10.30 am
Where: Gilgandra Shire Library
Light snacks provided. FREE! All welcome! Please book in so we know how many to cater for, by phoning the Library on 68178877, or emailing library@gilgandra.nsw.gov.au

FAMILY FARM VISITS
Mr & Mrs Craig and Jo Stewart are opening up their goat farm, “Buena Vista”, Collie, for family visits this weekend to anyone that might be interested. The goats are all having babies at the moment and Craig and Jo are more than happy for anyone to go out and have a look. You can contact Jo on 68479168.

MERIT AWARDS
Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Awards at Assembly on Monday:
- **KINDER**: Casey Gaff and Lucy McIsaac for a great effort during concert practice, **Jett Chandler** for his contribution in learning about information reports, **Harry Mudford** for his efforts during concert practice and **Elten Walker** for his...
enthusiasm during concert practice.

YEAR 1: Madison Riley for writing a fabulous narrative about a unicorn. Kate Woollams for a tremendous effort towards all classwork. Sarah Temple for a wonderful effort adding money in Maths, Luke O’Neill for a great job adding money in Maths and Dennis Gale for top work solving subtraction problems.

YEAR 2: Tylah Anforth, Rani Diggs, Rhys O’Neill for a fantastic effort during marching practice and Bradley Gibson, Tayarna McKenzie, Kelsey Hutchison and Breanna Foran for wonderful enthusiasm during concert practices.

YEAR 3: Charlie Banks for starting tasks quickly, Tyler Evans for trying hard during marching practice, Ella McAnally-Elwin for consistently contributing to class discussions, Michael Raglus for working quickly in Year 3 and Emily Skinner for an enthusiastic approach to all class activities.

YEAR 4: Chloe Godber, Lucy Davis, Harry Spora, Alex Beveridge, Martin Fryers and James Kildey for fabulous enthusiasm during concert practices.

YEAR 5: Spencer McIntosh for fantastic improvement in Maths Operations, John Spora for always ‘Giving of His Best’ in class literacy tasks and Deklyn Lummis for always being willing to be involved in all classroom activities.

YEAR 6: Brook Bonus-Staub, Caitlin Carlow, Mikaela Sandford and Carissa Harrison-Reid for a fantastic effort on their discussion speeches.

WHAT’S ON

WEEK 9

- Friday, 13 September
  - Ring Trophy - Baradine

WEEK 10

- Wednesday, 18 September
  - Concert – GHS – 6:00 p.m.
- Thursday, 19 September
  - Moorambilla
- Friday, 20 September
  - Last day Term 3
    - Whole School Mass – 9:00 a.m.
    - Moorambilla
    - Years 3/4 Footy and Netball –v- Public School

TERM 4

WEEK 1

- Tuesday, 8 October
  - First day Term 4
    - Whole school Mass – 9:00 a.m.
    - Active After Schools

- Wednesday, 9 October
  - Principal/AP Meeting – Mudgee
  - MyGolf School Visit

- Thursday, 10 October
  - Principal/AP Meeting – Mudgee

WEEK 2

- Tuesday, 15 October
  - P & F Meeting

- Thursday, 17 October
  - Year 3 Zoo Excursion
    - Staff Professional Development
    - Australian Curriculum – 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.

AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

KINDER This week has been great for our Kindergarten children. The sound was ‘Zz’ and we continued to revise our previous sounds. In Writing, we have written some stories about fishing, camping and going to the beach for holidays. During Mathematics, we have been focusing on days of the week and months of the year during our Mathematics Warm Up. We continue to prepare for the Ring Trophy tomorrow at Baradine and practising our dances for the concert. Take care. Miss Bourke

YEAR 1 It has been a busy week for Year 1 with concert and Ring Trophy practices. Thank you to everyone for organising a costume and when you see the concert, I’m sure you’ll agree that the children look great. This week Year 1 has been learning about the ‘i-e’ sound in Spelling and in Grammar we have been discussing adjectives. In text types we have continued our work on narratives and the children have looked at an image and begun planning a narrative to write. In Maths we have been working on maps and mazes, chance and multiplication. I look forward to seeing everyone at Baradine tomorrow for Ring Trophy. Have a great weekend. Miss Smith

YEAR 2 During Religion we have enjoyed looking at the Parable of the Prodigal Son and relating it to ourselves. In Maths our topics were time, symmetry and subtraction. We used both books and the internet to collect information for our ‘Dinosaur Report’. Our concert rehearsal was great fun and we are looking forward to performing our item for you next week. We are looking forward to Ring Trophy tomorrow when we can show our marching, running, tugging and ball skills and make some new friends. Go Joey’s! Mrs Larkin & Mrs Newsstead

YEAR 3 is busily polishing and perfecting our concert item. We enjoyed watching the other classes perform at the rehearsal yesterday. A big thank you to everyone for organising the costumes. A special thank you to Amelia’s mum for making our beautiful princess hats. In class we’ve published information reports about ourselves, completed our wacky weaving artwork and also completed our Mary MacKillop books we created on the iPads. We are looking forward to a fun day at Baradine tomorrow when we will all ‘Give Of Our Best’. Mr Squires & Mrs Morris

YEAR 4 Everyone looked fantastic at the dress rehearsal for the concert. Thank you to all the parents and friends who have helped to ensure the children looked terrific in their costumes. A special thanks to Elaine Foran for making the masks – they look great! Not long now until ‘showtime’ – next Wednesday night. Ring Trophy Day is tomorrow and the marchers are ready to give 100% effort. Well done on your hard work during practices – go Joey’s! During the week Year 4 worked hard in PDHPE on medicine safety and self esteem issues we may face as we get older. In Religion we continued to look at the days of Creation. Maths challenged us with tessellating patterns, averages and problem solving. Have a great weekend. Mrs Bray

YEAR 5 Term 3 is nearly coming to a close already! This week has been a very busy time in Year 5 with both the students and teachers working extremely hard in finishing off props and finalizing our concert item for next week. Yesterday we were able to do a dress rehearsal which looked amazing and we can’t wait to show you all next Wednesday. Portfolio work is also well underway with our Maths and Science tasks being completed which showed some fantastic results. As our term comes to an end the children are still reminded to work towards completing their reading goal for our star reading program - with some people already achieving beyond their goal for the term. Our marching is refined, our ball game skills are magnificent and our cheering has already begun - bring on tomorrow for Ring Trophy. Have a great weekend. Mr Keady & Mrs Colwell

YEAR 6 This week we have been perfecting our concert item and enjoyed watching, and working behind the scenes of the other classes’ productions. Everyone’s play looks fantastic and all our family and friends are in for a real treat! Today was our last marching practice as we head off to Baradine tomorrow for Ring Trophy – that marching trophy is ours!! We also have been completing portfolio tasks and have created some recycled material boats as part of our Science unit, ‘Buoyancy’. Students created boats that can move on water - refining, our ball game skills are magnificent and our cheering has already begun - bring on tomorrow for Ring Trophy. Have a great weekend. Mrs Banks & Mrs Schier

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday, 13 September – RING TROPHY
Monday, 16 September – Anna Mudford & Gina Schembri
Wednesday, 18 September – Melissa Welsh & Bill Welsh
Friday, 20 September – Katherine Gaff & Toni Fuller

ALTAR SERVERS ROSTER

Sunday, 15 September – Kyle Welsh, Henry Johnson, Caitlin Spora, James O’Neill