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Principal’s Message

It will be very sad saying goodbye to our two Year 6 students Clarissa and Alan. They have been an important part of our school and have contributed so much during their time here.

Clarissa has led our school by example. She is a caring, mature and obliging student who takes the time to ensure that other people are ok. Her help will be sorely missed next year, but I know our loss is Gilgandra High School’s gain. Good luck, Clarissa!

Alan has taken on the unofficial role of EPS “spokesperson” with great maturity. He can think on his feet and always finds the right words when speaking in public. He meets every challenge head on, which is a positive example for the younger students. We know that Alan will thrive in the high school setting and we wish him well. We will miss you both!

Thank you to all our parents for your wonderful support throughout the year. Your help with excursions and Friday lunches ensures that the students receive access to a broad range of educational opportunities.

As this is the last Newsletter for the year, I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Enjoy your break from school routine and we look forward to seeing everyone, relaxed and refreshed, on Thursday, 28th January.

Shelley Darcy, Principal

Presentation Night

Congratulations to all students for their wonderful participation in our end of year celebration on Tuesday night.

Their enthusiasm was evident, particularly during the musical items, which entertained the appreciative audience.

Well done to all award recipients. Your hard work and dedication during the year are a credit to you.

Year 6 Farewell

The Year 6 Farewell will be held here at school on Tuesday, 15th December starting at 5:30pm. We will finish up around 7:30pm.

The theme is Famous Characters, so let your imaginations run wild and dress up!

Every student is invited to attend, along with Clarissa and Alan's families. Following some dancing and games, dinner will be provided.
**FUN DAY IN DUBBO**  
On Wednesday, 16\textsuperscript{th} December we will be going to Dubbo for our Fun Day. It will start with a session at Flip Out in Mountbatten Drive. **Students must bring a pair of socks to wear on the equipment.** Please meet us there at 9:15am.

We will then be seeing the movie Hotel Transylvania (Rated PG). The movie starts at 11:00am so if you would like to join us you are more than welcome (paying for yourself, of course!).

We will then take the students over to the Lions Park behind the Information Centre for lunch. They can be collected at 1:15pm.

Please arrange for your child/ren to be transported to and from Dubbo and please return the permission note asap.

The cost for the day is **$7.00 per student** (for Flip Out).

Lunch and the movie are being provided to the students by P&C and the staff.

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**P&C CHRISTMAS RAFFLES**
The winners of the raffles were:  
- Emma Haraki - ham  
- Anne Robertson - hamper  
- Carolyn Green - hamper  
- Henry Boxall - wine (2)  
- Marion MacKenzie - wine  
- Pauline Murphy - wine.

Thank you to all parents and community members who contributed to the Christmas hampers.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- **Year 6 Farewell:** Tuesday, 15\textsuperscript{th} December  
- **Last day of school for students:** Wednesday, 16\textsuperscript{th} December - fun day in Dubbo  
- **2015 Staff Development day:** Wednesday, 27\textsuperscript{th} January  
- **Students return to school:** Thursday, 28\textsuperscript{th} January

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**Canteen**

*Please note* that this Friday will be the last day of canteen for the year. On Monday and Tuesday of next week, there will be no recess or lunch available.