George Graham with our prize winning squash at Gundagai Show.
Dear Parents,

Last week was yet again another huge week, filled with endless learning opportunities. Our head chef, Miss Greaney and her group of trainees cooked up some yummy potato salad and potato bake using freshly picked spuds from our garden. Our gardeners picked some more tomatoes for our chutney and some fresh squash and zucchini.

It was an exciting week for those attending the Gundagai show last Friday and Saturday. Jack Weston won third prize for his picture of the Endeavour as part of our First Fleet topic. Congratulations Jack! Our enthusiastic gardeners were rewarded for all their hard work with a second prize in the yellow squash category. Our prize winning chooks once again proved their worth with first prize for their eggs! Well done girls! Thank you, Miss Greaney for organising the entries for the show.

Yesterday we ventured into Gundagai to meet up with the State Library who were in town presenting some original artefacts from the First Fleet including an original shoe buckle that was worn by Captain Cook! Our students enjoyed taking a look at some very important items from our Nation’s history and learnt about life in 1788. I can’t imagine what it must have felt like as a 15 year old, being shipped off to the other side of the world to an unknown land knowing that you would never see your friends and family again.

Today Ella, Bella, Connor and Tilly are competing at the Highlands swimming carnival in Tumut. They will compete against fellow schools in our district in the small schools relay. Good luck team! Thank you, Siana Lucas for transporting the students.

This Sunday, our newly appointed school leaders, Connor Humphries and Taila Herrington, will travel to Sydney to take part in a young leader’s conference at Olympic Park. Students from all around the state will come together to learn about leadership qualities and build their capacity as school leaders.

Our super spellers this week are Jack, Jetty, Tilly, Ella, Mack, Taylah and Darcy. Congratulations in achieving 100% in your spelling!

Some children have been bringing food to be heated for lunch. There should be no hot food before Term 2.
Our student of the week this week is Dakota Herrington. Dakota receives her award this week for demonstrating resilience in Maths and English. She has also been a responsible student with her friends in the playground. Well done Dakota!

Swimming will once again be held on Wednesday this week at the Grahams pool as well as cooking and gardening.

Have a great week everyone!

**Brad**

**COMING EVENTS**

24 Feb
Swimming lessons at Graham’s pool

28, 29 Feb
Young Leaders Excursion Year 6 – Sydney

16 Mar
Life Education - Brungle

Could everyone please bring in $10.00 per student to cover the cost of cooking each Friday for this term.

**Save the Date**
Bongongo Bonfire Night
Saturday 24th September

**Spelling Awards**

**Week 4**

Jack, Jetty, Tilly, Ella, Mack, Taylah and Darcy

Swimming lessons at Gundagai pool
George looking at Captain Cook’s shoe buckle.