2016 School Improvement Focus:
Reading Comprehension &
Numeracy skills

Touch Carnival
Next **Friday, 02nd September**, students in grade 4,5,6 will have the opportunity to participate in the cluster touch competition. First game will commence at **9.20am**. Throughout the day students will play 6 games in a round robin format.
Transport to Gin Gin State School will be via Private Transport departing at **8:45am**. We currently require two parent helpers to transport students. Please complete the attached permission form and return to the school office by **next Wednesday 31st August**. A return time for students will be issued with next week’s newsletter.
A canteen will be operating selling Sausage on bread $2.00, Drinks $1.50, Zooper Doopers 50c, Chips 50c.
Students must have a hat, large drink bottle and lunch items. Mrs M will be accompanying the students as I will be at a meeting in Bundaberg.

Camp
Information about our annual school camp is attached. All students in Prep to Year 6 are invited on camp, and we encourage all students to attend. This year we have a four day camp planned for **Tuesday 18th – Friday 21st October** at Camp Garapine, located approximately 15 minutes from Gympie. Please note that this date is different to our original date, which has changed due to the availability of camp instructors for the activities that we have chosen to do. These include archery, rope course, kayaking and raft building.
Mrs M, Ms Barns and I will be attending the camp. Please read the attached info and return the slip to school, indicating if your child/ren will be attending. Please note that payment is not required straight away, only the RSVP.

Congratulations to **Misty Kevill** who receives Student of the Week for an outstanding effort displayed during English lessons when working with rhyme.

Well Done Misty!

Gotcha Awards!

It was very pleasing to see so many cards in the “Gotcha Box” again this week. Congratulations to the following students who were drawn out this week.

- **Zac Adams**: Fantastic Poem
- **Richard Dean**: Great work in Science
- **Riley Macaulay**: Great Poem
- **Silvana Silvestro**: Fantastic rhyming
- **Hayley Willis**: Great work with Poetry

Remember to keep these important dates on your calendar!!

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Head Lice
Please keep checking hair and treat if necessary. Hair products are available from the chemist.

Premier’s Reading Challenge
The Premier’s Reading Challenge concludes this Friday 26th August 2016. If students still have completed reading logs these must be handed into the office by Friday. Congratulations to all our participating students who have already completed their log and handed it in.

Education Experience Fundraising
Please remember to browse through the current Educational Experience catalogue. With every purchase from the fundraising range, families can nominate our school to receive 20% of their purchase in valuable learning resource vouchers to spend with Educational Experience. Our school will also have the chance to win a fantastic $10,000 shopping spree with Education Experience by receiving one entry into the competition for every five unique fundraising nominations we receive.
Ordering can be completed online by yourself at [www.edex.com.au/fundraising](http://www.edex.com.au/fundraising) or simply send the Order Form into the school office with the money enclosed and Mrs M will place the order on your behalf.
Please have all orders completed online or handed into Mrs M by Wednesday 01st September to ensure delivery is made on time.

Classroom Catch Up

Phonic Focus:
The sound that we have been consolidating this week is ‘y’ as in yoyo.
Prep students have also been focusing on the letter ‘yY’.

Maths:
All students have been focusing on different areas of measurement and fractions.

English:
We are all currently completing our English assessment

Homework
Prep students also have spelling words this term. This week’s words are: cut, hut, but, nut, put.

Books to Cover
We have purchased some new books for our library which need to be covered. If anyone has an hour to spare to cover some books we’d appreciate your help. We can also send books and covering contact home if it suits better.

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Capital Letters

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Adverbs

Adverbs are used to modify verbs. They give the how, why, when and where for the action of the verb. They give the verb more meaning.

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STORIES for young and old

Thursday
25th August
3.30pm - 5.00pm

Old people: bring your favourite young people!
Young people: bring your favourite old people!
Enjoy some afternoon tea while listening to stories and playing games together at the Gin Gin Library.

Bookings essential 9h, 4130 4520

Learn how to make a Twiddle Muff

Come along for an introductory workshop on
Friday 2nd September
9:00—10:00 am
at the Gin Gin Library
In conjunction with the Gin Gin Neighbourhood Centre

Adult Learners’ Week, 1-8 Sep 2016

Spheros Robotics sessions

Gin Gin Library
Thursday 1 Sep
Session 1: 9:45-10:45am
Session 2: 11:00—12.00pm

Childers Library
Thursday 8 Sep
Session 1: 9:45-10:45am
Session 2: 11:00—12.00pm

Use iPads/tables to control the movement and direction of these little robots.
Navigate an obstacle course, race a sprint against opponents, and have lots of fun.
They’re not just for kids!

Adult Learners Week

Tai Chi
10:00—11:00am
Tuesday 6th September
Gin Gin Library

Task Like a Pirate Day

Gin Gin Library
Monday 19th September
10:00 - 11:00am
All ages

Bookings essential
Tel. 4130 4620
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**Be their reading legend**

**GIN GIN LIBRARY**

**Dads Read LAUNCH**

Sat 24th September 11:30-12:30

Learn about the importance of Dads reading to their children

Sign up to become a Dads Read Ambassador in the Gin Gin region

Dads Read Ambassador Brad Marsella (ABC Open), and Les Gane (Foxies Barra Havoc) and Paul Trace (Regional Cricket Co-Ordinator) will be reading stories.

Free Sausage sizzle - everyone welcome!

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**Create an African Mask**

Monday 26th September
10:00—11:00am
Ages 5 & up
Bookings essential Tel. 4130 4620

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**Light Reflections**

Play glow in the dark games
Learn about light
Make a kaleidoscope

Wednesday 28th September
6:00—7:30pm
Gin Gin Library
Ages 5 & up
Bookings essential Tel. 4130 4620

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The Gin Gin Library Presents Mango Drawing Classes
With Bundaberg based Artist Ben McPherson
Come along and learn how to create your very own Japanese comic book style characters!

Wednesday the 29th of September

Session 1: Young adults class 11:00am - 12:30pm
Session 2: 11 years - 17 years 1:00pm - 3:30pm
Bookings essential if members are limited. To reserve your place please call the Gin Gin Library on 4130 4620.

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