PERSONALISED LEARNING PLANS
This week staff are focusing on completing Personalised Learning Plans for all indigenous and out of home care students. The completion of these documents is a mandatory requirement for all Department of Education and Community schools. Once completed a copy of each student’s Personalised Learning Plan will be sent home to all parents/carers and if they would like to discuss the PLP they are asked to please contact the class teacher concerned.

EARLY LEAVERS
All parents/carers are reminded that if they have to pick up their child/ren before the end of the school day, they MUST come to the front office and receive an early leaver’s slip which is to be given to the class teacher and the student must be signed out. This procedure is important in case of an emergency as we need to be able to account for the whereabouts of all students.

ARRIVING AT SCHOOL ON TIME
We understand that sometimes family circumstances make getting to school on time difficult but it is important that students are here on time so they can socialise with their friends before the start of the school day. Morning assembly is often a time where important messages about what is happening throughout the day are given out. The procedure for late arrival is that students are required to come to Gillwinga Public School.

EVENTS CALENDAR
As we head toward the end of the first term there are still quite a few events happening
- Monday 16th March – Rugby League Trials
- Tuesday 17th March – Health Screening K/1/2
- Tuesday 17th March Mid North Coast Football Trials
- Wednesday 18th March – Yr.6 Fundraiser and Disco
- Friday 20th March – Young Leaders Conference Brisbane
- Tuesday 24th March – School Cross Country
- Friday 27th March – 1/2C Assembly
- Monday 30th March – Small Schools Cross Country
- Wednesday 1st April – Easter hat/mask parade and Easter stall
- Thursday 2nd April – LAST DAY TERM ONE

SCHOOL PLAN
As part of Department of Education and Communities Policy all schools are currently drafting a new three year plan. For those parents/carers who receive the newsletter via email an attachment of the plan is included with this newsletter. Those parents/carers that download the newsletter from the school website a copy of the plan is available on the newsletter page. Please bear in mind this is a draft copy and there may be some typing errors. A copy of the draft plan is also available from the front office. If any parents/carers would like to comment on the content of the plan they are encouraged to do so.
the front office and receive a late note which is to be given to the class teacher. Parents/carers are advised that this is recorded on the role as a partial absence. Roles are regularly checked by the Home School Liaison Officer and students with a large number of absences, including partials, are identified for ongoing monitoring. The morning sessions in each class is specifically targeted towards developing the key skills of Literacy, so please help your child to succeed at school by assisting them to arrive on time (before 9.00am) each day.

SCHOOL BANKING

At our next assembly on Friday 27th March a representative from the Commonwealth Bank will be coming to speak to the students about the school banking program. As well as speaking to the students at assembly the representative will be available from 8:30am to assist any parents/carers who would like to open a Dollarmite account with the bank.

PLAYGROUP

Last week we received some great news concerning our Playgroup. On Friday 1st April the playgroup will be introducing a new program called "Sing and Grow". This is a fun filled activity based around the use of music and dance to help students learning and development. Once again this is a free program and will form part of the normal playgroup session each Friday. All parents, carers and community members that have children 0-5 are invited to come along and join in the fun on any Friday from 9:00 – 11:00am, don’t forget morning tea is provided.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Just a reminder again that school photos will be taken on Thursday 23rd April, this is the first Thursday back after the school holidays.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“Every gift from a friend is a wish for your happiness” – Richard Bach

P&C FUNDRAISER

The P&C are holding an Easter egg stall Wednesday of Week 10 (1st April). Easter eggs will be available from 20 cents up to $2. Money raised will go back to the P&C to fund school resources to benefit our students. The canteen will also be open tonight for the disco.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 23rd March: Wayne Burke & Sharen Bagster;
Tuesday 24th: Natalie Bullock