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NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 Week 10

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Dear Parents,
Congratulations to all our students in Year 5 who presented their leadership speeches on Friday. They each spoke confidently to the students and guests who attended. We will now await with eager anticipation to see who the elected leaders for 2016 will be. Well done everyone. Thank you to the parents and grandparents who attended and supported the students. It was great to see so many of you there.



BBQ Evening-

It was a wonderful evening on Friday night when we hosted a BBQ for all parents. It was a relaxed evening with everyone mixing and the students enjoying some fun games. It was great to see some of our new kindergarten students and their families who were also able to attend. Special thanks to Mitch Myers who once again cooked the BBQ for us. Great

job Mitch. Thank you also to the wonderful support of our school staff, Mrs Greaney, Miss Reynolds, Michelle Hartshorn, Mrs Wheeler, Ms Sini and Mrs Hillier. It was a great team effort on the night, and to Mrs Matthews and Kelly who helped clean up for us in the days leading up to the BBQ. Thank you everyone.



Book Launch

I'm sure that today's book launch for the Creative Kids Catchment Program will be a great success. Congratulations to the students and Mrs Sini for their perseverance and commitment to this project. It has been an excellent learning journey for those involved and everyone joins with me in wishing them good luck. I am sure we will receive a copy of the book for our school library.

P & C Christmas Gift Stall

On Tuesday next week, the 15th December, the P & C will be holding their final gift stall for the students for the year. Students are encouraged to come and purchase a gift for their family for Christmas from 1.30pm. Nothing over \$5.00.

Blue Earth Wellbeing Program

Tomorrow, representatives from the Blue Earth Well Being Program will be visiting our school and conducting their free clinic which I won at a recent principal's conference. The students and staff will learn how to work together with mind

and body to ensure positive physical, social, mental and emotional wellbeing. Through participation in physical activity, the development of self-respect, self-efficiency, respect for others and a willingness to learn and explore is encouraged as we challenge ourselves to empower our learning. The activities will begin after recess.

Uralba Visit

Don't forget our visit to Uralba on Wednesday. Girls in dresses please as it looks great. We will be leaving school at approximately 10.40 and will return about 11.40.

PBL Reward Day

I trust that everyone has returned their note for permission to attend our PBL Pool Day this Friday. We will be leaving school after recess and will return in time for afternoon buses. Don't forget swimmers, towel, hat, rashi vest, sunscreen, your lunch, drink of water and \$4.00 for your ice-cream at the end of the day. Thank you to everyone who has already returned their notes. Just waiting for a few more. No note- No go! We don't want anyone to miss out, so please ensure you've signed the note for your child.

Hot Off the Press

Congratulations to **Riley Foster, Billy Anderson and Gabby Butcher** whose work features in this month's Hot Off the Press. A copy is attached to this newsletter.

Parent / Carer Survey

Attached is a survey about our school which I would like you all to take 5 minutes of your day

to please complete. Please return by the end of the week to help us with planning for 2016. Thank you.

Holiday Reading Program

Mrs Green has kindly put together some reading and writing booklets for our infant students (and primary students who would like one). She would be really excited if everyone was able to keep a record of their reading and writing done through the holidays. There will be a small reward/recognition of your efforts when the book is returned completed next year. These booklets, with suggestions will be given out next week. Thank you Mrs Green.

Congratulations

During this term I took the liberty of entering Adam Morris' "Millions" poem in the Cherry Blossom Festival Writing and Poetry Competition for schools and community members. Last week I received some exciting news to say that Adam had won a prize for his efforts. Congratulations Adam, your prize will be coming in the mail soon. For those who missed his poem last time a copy is included at the end of the newsletter.

Presentation Evening

A reminder about our Presentation Evening to be held at the MPC at Gundagai High School on Tuesday evening the 15th December. Students need to wear their summer uniform (school dress for girls) and everyone needs to bring their sports uniform in a named plastic bag please for a gym display at the end of the

evening. Students should arrive at 6.15 pm for a 6.30 pm start. Reminder to everyone there will be a raffle on the night with items kindly donated by Mrs Matthews, Casey Norden, Anthea Cooper, Lott's family Hotel, Bob Smart's Butchery and IGA. Thankyou also to Shan and Cheryl for their help in this.

Presentation Practice

Don't forget to return Presentation Evening Practice permission note.

Carols by Candlelight



We have a small group who will be participating in the evening of Carols in the Park on Saturday 19th December from 7.30 pm (singing). The

activities start in the afternoon. See flyers attached to your newsletter. We would love to see some more of our students being able to attend and wearing their school uniform. We will be performing one song on our own and leading the audience in two others. Please return your yellow note from two weeks ago!

P & C Minutes

These are attached for your perusal. Thanks Tiki and to everyone involved in the P & C this year. It has been a great year with some fantastic support.

Healthy Eating

Congratulations to our school. Thank you to Mrs Sini. Mrs Sini completed a survey about our school and our healthy eating and the school was the lucky winner and recipient of a \$250.00 open order at Wagga Catering Equipment where we can purchase kitchen items and equipment for our school. Thank you and well done Mrs Sini.

Plastic Bags

Students should now start to bring in some plastic bags or shopping bags for their books and belongings to go home in.

Reports & Portfolios

These will be sent home with the students on Wednesday 16th November, our last day (for students) Students must be there to collect their own portfolios.

SRC Christmas Raffle

The SRC students will be selling tickets in a Christmas Raffle during the next ten days to raise some money for activities at school next year. Tickets will be \$1 each or 3 for \$2. Send in \$2 to buy your ticket.

Library Book Return

Please return all library books and home readers this week. A library overdue notice has been attached to this newsletter.

School Banking



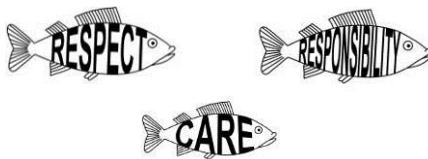
Don't forget to send in your Westpac School Banking. Banking will be collected every Wednesday.

Radio News



Week 11: Isaac & Meg

PBL Weekly Focus Area



This week our focus areas for PBL will be “**Out of Bounds**” in the playground and “**At computers**” for our Classroom.

Playground –Out of Bounds

Respect: Follow teacher instructions..

Responsibility: Right place, right time. Stay in the playground.

Care: Report problems.

Classroom – At computers

Respect: Work carefully. Respect school property.

Responsibility: Do you work. Follow teacher instructions. Follow cyber safety rules.

Care: Treat equipment gently. Look after equipment.

Please discuss our focus areas with your children this week.

PBL- Uniform Winners



Congratulations to our weekly uniform award winners for Week 9: **Hayley Booby, Jade Harvey, David Foster, Destiny Cooper and Kynan Paton.** Congratulations and well done everyone.

PBL Awards

Congratulations to the following student who has achieved the following levels in our PBL welfare system.

BLUE

Gabrielle Butcher

Home Reading

Congratulations to the following students who have reached new Home Reading Levels.

20 Nights

Daniel Anderson & Harri Ralph

40 Nights

Opal Kothe-Champion & Alauralee Bowditch

60 Nights

Kynan Paton, Hayley Booby, Angle Clarke, Destiny Cooper, Lizzie Byron, Claire Lievens & Meg Wheeler.

Healthy Recess and Lunch

Congratulations to our healthy recess and lunch awards winners for Week 9

Recess award-

Isaac Ford

Lunch award –

Alauralee Bowditch



Student of the Week

4/5/6 – Chloe Crossley



For great contributions to her reading group activities

2/3-

Nic Monahan



For always approaching his learning in a happy and positive manner

K/1 –

Riley Foster



For his fantastic effort in his writing

Catch of the Week

4/5/6 - Dylan Manns



Always helping to pack up after gymnastics

2/3 Brandy McGrath



For always using beautiful manners

K/1 –



For being a respectful class member

Pip 😊

CANTEEN

No Canteen on Wednesday

**Friday 11th December
Cheryl Lanyon and
Shan Bowditch**

**RECESS
ONLY**

**WE WILL BE AT THE
POOL FOR LUNCH**

**This will be the last
canteen day for this
year**

**Thankyou to all our
volunteers**