Student of the Week

Mrs Corke’s class
Week 4 - Colby B - working cooperatively with others.
Week 5 - Will M - on task in all areas and choosing a great attitude.

Mr Faulkner’s class
Week 4 - Charlie P - positive approach in all areas.
Week 5 - Jasmine P - working positively in class.

Home Reading
25 nights – Airlie B
50 nights – Harrison C, Will M, Rochelle I
75 nights – Julia C, Brooke McM, Isabella B, Austen B.

Disco Fever
You’d have been forgiven for thinking you’d stepped back into the 70’s and had seen John Travolta strutting his stuff at this week’s school disco. It was great to see so many of our students take the time to help us celebrate and have some fun. The disco has been a fun way to reward our kids for Choosing Their Attitudes and following our FISH! philosophy. It was also wonderful to see some of our friends from Corinella join us for the night. Please enjoy some pictures of the highlights of our night.
Information in the age of Technology

Today our students are bombarded with instant information and have endless sources from which to gather facts. But can we be certain what we are reading is indeed fact…. Or is it fiction? In days gone by we relied on hard copies of Encyclopedia Britannica and the likes for our information. All of the facts were checked for accuracy by fact checkers and editors and we could be certain that what we were reading was the truth. Today our information comes to us instantly from a variety of sources which at a glance we can assume is legitimate, however the social format that many of the information sources share, particularly those on the internet can often be misleading. In the current age of instant information gathering we need to teach our students the skills to be able to ascertain fact from fiction when researching from the internet. Have a read below to see a recent activity we put in place here at school.

The endangered "tree octopus" is in trouble!

Last week the primary children were informed of the plight of this little animal and were directed to a website highlighting the creature’s plight. The children spent time answering fact finding questions about the animal. Not at any stage did anyone question its actual existence. In fact a few even mentioned they’d heard of it before. The kids read on collecting facts about this endangered Tree Octopus without questioning any of the key “Furphy’s” that had been placed in the facts such as: They are preyed upon by Sasquatch and had been forced to extinction because they were hunted to use as hats.

The inability to distinguish between fact and fiction online meant the students were vulnerable to miss-information. The website of course looked very credible so we need to make kids aware that anyone can publish anything on the Internet. Today's students must be prepared to critically evaluate the information they find there.

When informed the site was fake some felt I had duped them - not the intention at all. We were trying to make them aware of the fact we can't trust everything we read on the Internet. Children need to become more informed users of the Internet.

As a continuation the children were given pairs of websites - one fake, one real and were asked to investigate to identify the inferior site. The children were also instructed on good GOOGLE search practice including advanced searching.

Just because a website has cool videos, nice pictures and uses lots of big words doesn’t mean that it is factual. A good lesson for us all. http://zapatopi.net/treeoctopus/
Debating
Monday 27 May Mabel B, Brooke McM, Lilyanne C and Charlie P travelled to Forbes Public School to participate in the Central West debating competition against Quandialla Central School. Our team was the affirmative- ‘Fast Food outlets should provide food for school canteens’. It was a hard topic and we tried very hard to think of some points. Unfortunately we lost on the day. It was a great effort for our first debate- ever! We did learn some techniques about presentation and how to rebut against the other team. It was great to see the interaction between both schools and a huge thank you to Laurel Hull who was our adjudicator, also to Forbes PS for the venue. We look forward to our next debate in week nine against Eugowra. We will be the affirmative team again and it will be hosted at Bedgerabong PS. The topic is ‘Books are better than movies’. Good luck everyone! Mrs Corke.

Tootie Fruity
Pumpkin Chicken Curry
2 tablespoons massaman curry paste, 500 g diced chicken breasts, 1 can condensed pumpkin soup, 1 can low fat coconut milk, 2 carrots- diced, 2 potatoes- diced, 250g beans, rice
Method
Fry curry paste for 1-2 minutes to release flavour (no oil required, just use non-stick pan). Add diced chicken and brown. Add pumpkin soup, coconut milk, carrots and potatoes. Simmer gently until the chicken is cooked through. Add beans Serve with rice or veggies.

Impossible Pie
4 eggs, 1 cup castor sugar, 2 tsp vanilla extract, 125g butter, ½ cup plain flour, 1 cup desiccated coconut.
Method
Preheat the oven to 180oC. Add all ingredients to a blender and blend until smooth. Pour into a greased 6 cup capacity ovenproof dish or into large muffin tins that have been greased. Bake about 35 minutes (large) or 20 minutes (small) or until top is puffed and golden and custard set to touch.

Pumpkin, Spinach and Ricotta Lasagne
1 large butternut pumpkin, 1 small bunch of rosemary, finely chopped, 1 clove garlic, 500 g blanched spinach, 750ml tomato Bolognese sauce, 250 g ricotta cheese, 75 g pamesan cheese, grated , 100 ml extra virgin olive oil, 1 - 2 packets fresh lasagne sheets, salt, Freshly ground black pepper.
Method
Peel and de-seed the pumpkin. Cut into 2cm cubes and toss with a little olive oil, chopped garlic and 1 tablespoon of chopped rosemary and place in a moderate oven on a tray and roast until soft. Squeeze the blanched spinach of water so it is as dry as possible. Then chop and toss with salt, pepper and a little olive oil. Take a roasting tray and rub it with a little olive oil. Spoon in some tomato sauce to cover the base of the tray. Add a layer of pasta sheets then a thin layer of the sauce. Spinach, roasted pumpkin and ricotta. Repeat this process of pasta, tomato sauce, spinach, pumpkin, ricotta cheese; until all the pumpkin and spinach is used up. The final layer - sauce, ricotta cheese, chopped rosemary and pamesan cheese. Allow to stand for 10 minutes before cooking in a preheated oven at 175 degrees C for about 35 minutes. If the lasagne starts to colour too much on top, just cover the tray with aluminium foil. Remove from the oven and let it rest for about 15 mins before serving.
Athletics Carnival
A reminder that Bedgerabong P&C are catering this Friday at the Athletics carnival, donations of cakes/ slices/ biscuits/ meringues etc to sell on Friday would be very much appreciated, also a reminder to check the roster for when you are down to help.
Margot

School Supplies
Please be aware that all students require a gluestick and an eraser for use at school. Check your child has both of these and that they are replaced regularly. Both items can be purchased from the school office.

X-country results
I am very excited to announce that Ryan, Jasmine and Mabel all placed in the top 3 of their age groups and will now compete at the Western Region X-country to be held at Wellington racecourse next Wednesday 12th June. We wish them all the best in Wellington.

Sports Carnival
Don’t forget that the school buses won’t be running this Friday as it is our Small Schools Sports day at Forbes Primary School. Parents need to arrange transport for their children to and from the event. We would like all students there at 9am ready to march. We should be finished between 2.30-3pm. See you all there.

Bedgerabong Community Notice Board

Bedgerabong PA&H Assoc
Meeting Thursday June 20th at 7pm in the Hall. Thanks, Nina.

Community Thank you
On behalf of the Bedgerabong Community Trust we would like to thank those people that supported to our very successful Trivia Night. All money raised from this night will help many organisations with electricity costs. Maree Hodges

Bedgerabong PA&H Association
Invites you to book a table of 8-10 for a fantastic night B’bong of fun & mystery at the 2013 masquerade show ball - Saturday 20th July 2013, Bedgerabong hall @ 7pm
Featuring - Live band - Gabe Middleton
Lucky door prizes, Raffles and games, Items for auction,
Tickets $25 each (BYOG & nibbles)
Dress to impress, Masks available at the door, Bus available from Forbes.
For more information contact Penny: 0400057983/68571052  Wendy: 68571043

Forbes Shire Council
Youth & Community Centre Vacation Care program
The vacation care program will commence on Monday July 1-Friday July 12 2013
Open: 8:30am-5:30pm, Cost: $38/ per day CCB available to eligible families
Registrations will commence from Monday June 3. Lots of activities and fun excursions happening. Registration forms are available at Forbes Shire Council and for further information contact Natalie Walker on 68502300.
FREAKY FACTS
You blink over ten million times a year.
Three hundred and fifteen entries in Webster’s 1996 dictionary were misspelled.
Rats multiply so quickly that in 18 months, two rats could have more than one million descendants.
Outer space begins 80km above the Earth.

Giggle Spot

Q: Why is History like a fruit cake?  A: Because it's full of dates!
Q: What did the fly say when it flew into a window?  A: If I had more guts I'd do that again.
Q: What kind of dog has no tail?  A: Hot dog.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK
“Blowing out someone else’s candle doesn’t make yours shine any brighter.” - unknown

Happy Birthday to these recent and up coming party goers.

19 May  Jack J             25 May  Ethan B

Upcoming Dates for your Diary

7 June 2013  Forbes Small School Athletics Carnival
12 June 2013  Western PSSA x-country
13 June 2013  Talent Quest auditions
20 June 2013  Ultimate Spectacular - Orange
21 June 2013  Musica-viva
24 June 2013  Small Schools Soccer match
28 June 2013  Talent Quest
15 July 2013  School Development Day
16 July 2013  Students resume Term 3

Mr Faulkner
5 June 2013

2013 school term dates

Term 1  29-1-13 - 12-4-13  Term 2  01-5-13 - 28-6-13
Term 3  15-7-13 - 20-9-13  Term 4  8-10-13 - 20-12-13

Mr Faulkner