Student of the Week

Mrs Corke’s class
Week 2 - Harriet S - demonstrating leadership and independent work skills.
Week 3 - Airlie B - consistent effort in all areas.

Mr Faulkner’s class
Week 2 - Campbell R - being helpful to new students.
Week 3 - Matthew P - positive start to school.

Home Reading
50 nights - Emily T
75 nights - Will M

Athletics Results
Congratulations to our students who attended the Lachlan PSSA Athletics carnival last Friday at North Parkes Oval - Parkes. Mabel B, Brooke McM, Lilyanne C, Matthew P, Harry A, Jacinta McM, Clementine S, Laura P, Campbell R, Charlotte B, Jasmine P and Ryan P made up the squad from Bedgerabong and did their very best in every event. The competition was strong throughout the day with our kids competing against students from schools in Forbes, Parkes and Condobolin and we did achieve success. Clementine was successful in making the finals of her 100m race and our Bedgerabong PP5 small schools relay won their event. That will see Mabel, Harry, Clementine and Matthew progress to the Western Region selection trials to be held in Dubbo on Friday August 31.

Thanks so much to all of the parents who were able to transport the kids to and from Parkes and for supporting the kids so positively.
**T20 Blast Cricket Fun**
Our school has registered to participate in the T20 Blast fun cricket day to be held at Forbes on Wednesday September 11. The T20 Blast is a Primary schools activity for students in years 3-6. We have nominated 1 boys yr3/4 and 1 girls yr3/4 team and 1 mixed yr 5/6 team. Cricket is the focus for some of our Active After School Activities but none of our school staff have any great cricket experience or skills. Any offers to assist with cricket as a sport activity over the next 5 weeks would be very much appreciated. Just contact us at school if you able to assist.

**Cake and Biscuit Decorating**
It’s that time of the year again when Mrs Hoswell brings her merry band of helpers to our school to help the boys and girls decorate cakes and biscuits for the Bedgerabong Show. She will be here with us next Tuesday August 13, from 9am. **YEAR 5 & 6 decorate cakes and will need to have**- a board at least 30cmx30cm to display their cake, enough sponge to produce the cake that they choose (frozen sponge is best for creating) and any items that they will need to make their creation stand out. Mrs Hoswell will provide a limited supply of licorice, smarties etc to decorate and of course the icing. Other requirements are all students need to bring their imagination.

**Lantern Making**
Last week we had a visit from some of the ladies from the Kalari- Lachlan River Arts Festival. They helped our kids to build and decorate some lanterns that will be used in the Lantern Parade – part of the Festival on Saturday 26th October. Our children have been asked to take part in the Lantern Parade and also to perform as a part of the celebrations playing marimbas. It would be wonderful to have as many students attend as possible. Very soon a note with all of the information and an RSVP will be coming home. Be sure to mark that date in your diary.

**Wellington Eisteddfod**
Thank you so much to all of you for returning the permission notes for the Wellington Eisteddfod so quickly. Just a reminder that we will be departing Bedgerabong school at 7am on Thursday August 15 and be returning to Bedgerabong School at approximately 4pm. Obviously our school buses will not be operating on that day. Please remember that we have asked for students to wear their full winter uniforms BUT change the green polo shirt for the yellow sports shirt.

**iPads at Bedgerabong**
We have been forced to review our iPad policy at school that will mean some changes to the ways our iPads have, and will be set up. A note outlining the changes and conditions will be sent home soon. Please do not hesitate in contacting the school if you any questions or concerns over this matter.

**Lost Property**
We currently seem to have an ever-increasing pile of lost property at school. None of these items have names or labels. We also have numerous occasions when students simply leave their clothing behind at school. I would urge you to remind your child to remember to put any jumpers, hats etc into their bag when they take them off. Our classroom teachers will do their best to ensure that no items of clothing are left behind in the classroom each day and it is expected that all students will attend school with their full school uniform. Due to health concerns we are no longer able to “loan” hats to students. Our Student Welfare policy clearly states a No Hat – No Play situation. This will be enforced much more rigidly as of this week.

**Thanks Gigi**
This year we have been fortunate enough to have Gigi (Hamlet, Sam & Clem’s grandmother) come in every week – inspiring our kids with her artistic instruction. The children look forward to her visits and I must say have been rewarded with some excellent masterpieces - soon to be revealed at the Bedgerabong Show. Gigi has worked tirelessly spending many hours of her own time preparing work for the students. A special big FISHY thanks Gigi – for ‘making our day’ and always ‘being there’ for us.
Lower Division News

Our class has been busy finishing our entries for the show. It will be great to see all of the beautiful artwork displayed at the Bedgerabong show. Thank you to all the parents who helped make recycled art.

Our reading group activities are a great way to develop reading skills—here is an example of an activity using play dough to make words.

We have also been working hard writing descriptive texts. The use of adjectives when writing has made our descriptions very interesting. We have read many books about elephants to inspire us. Here are a few shots of our colourful elephants and examples of our writing.

Some examples of writing:

My elephant is called Edward and he is spotty and stripy. He is pink and orange and blue and purple and turquoise. He loves to play and he is the funniest elephant in the whole wide world!

By Sam

My elephants name is Emma. She is party animal. She is pink, purple, yellow, green, blue, gold, black and brown. She eats bananas, berries and leaves.

By Airlie

Please remember that it is a requirement that everyone in K-2 has a glue stick and rubber for learning activities in class. It is also essential to label all items of clothing.

P&C Update

Bedgerabong Show Donut Stall

Just a reminder that the P&C will be holding a donut stall again at this year’s Bbong Show, Saturday 17th August, as another fundraising opportunity. It will be in the same spot as last year, next to the bar. We have organised a roster (see attached), to share the load of doughnut making, serving etc. If you have any problems with your time slot on the roster, organise a swap, or let Margot Rubie know (Ph: 0268572118/0428572118)

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Bedgerabong School Fair and Market Day

At our P&C meeting on Monday, we decided to have a Spring School Fair and Market day, where people can hire a stall site to sell goods. We also thought it would be a great opportunity to maximise our fundraising efforts and make it a fair as well. We are planning to hold this on Saturday 19th of October (2nd Saturday back after the next holidays).

4. Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday 19th August at 2.30pm

Thanks

Margot Rubie
**Book week 2013**

This year we will be celebrating book week on Tuesday August 27. In the lead up to the day the children will be given the opportunity to take part in a colouring in competition. Prizes for this will be awarded on the day. We know the kids love to dress up so we will be having a book week parade. The children can dress up as their favourite book character or dress up for this year’s theme – READ ACROSS THE UNIVERSE. If a costume is not to your child’s liking they can just wear a mask. Children are asked to bring in their favourite book to share with others on the day. After the parade a morning tea will be provided - parents are welcome.

**Please note the change of date from the 20th to the 27th August**

Mrs Faulkner

**Well Deserved Recognition**

Congratulations to Mrs Faulkner who recently had her skills and knowledge in integrating mobile technology (iPads) into the classroom recognised at a National level. She has been invited to present at the upcoming iLearn – Technology in Teaching and Learning conference to be held in Sydney August 12 & 13. This is a wonderful opportunity for her and also for our school to promote one of our own programs. Of course she will need a chaperone and gopher in Sydney so fortunately she selected me to assist. As this conference clashed with our Bookweek Parade we have had to move the Parade to **Tuesday 27th August**.

**Kindi Orientation**

Kindi O packs will be available as of Monday. Please contact the school if you have a prospective Kindergarten student.

**Tootie Fruity**

**Ants climbing the hill**

6 dried shiitake mushrooms, 250g pkt bean thread vermicelli noodles, 2 tbs peanut oil, 2 tsp finely grated fresh ginger, 2 garlic cloves, crushed, 2 tbs sweet chili sauce, 5 shallots, ends trimmed, thinly sliced, 2 eggs, lightly beaten, 400g pork mince, 2 tbs soy sauce, 2 tbs hoisin sauce, 1 tbs water, 2 tsp cornflour

**Method**

Place mushrooms in a heatproof bowl. Cover with boiling water. Set aside for 1 hour to soak. Drain, reserving 250ml (1 cup) of liquid. Thinly slice.

Meanwhile, place noodles in a heatproof bowl. Cover with boiling water. Set aside for 10 minutes or until soft. Drain.

Season beaten eggs with salt and pepper. Heat wok, spray with oil, add egg and cook until set. Remove egg, chop and set aside.

Heat oil in a wok over high heat. Stir-fry the ginger, garlic, mushroom and three-quarters of the shallot for 2 minutes. Add the mince and stir-fry for 3 minutes.

Add soy sauce, hoisin sauce and reserved liquid. Cook for 2 minutes. Combine water and cornflour in a bowl. Add to the sauce and stir until it thickens. Stir in noodles, chili sauce and egg until heated through. Top with remaining shallot.

**Spiced Beef rice noodles**

250g packet rice stick noodles, 1 onion, 3 garlic cloves, crushed, 1cm piece ginger, peeled, finely grated, 550g beef mince, 1 teaspoon Chinese five spice, 1/4 cup kecap manis (1/4 cup soy sauce + 3/8 cup brown sugar – boiled together on low until thickened), 1/4 Chinese cabbage, roughly shredded

**Method**

Place noodles in a large heatproof bowl and cover with boiling water. Stand for 5 minutes or until just tender. Drain.

Heat a wok over medium-high heat until hot. Add oil, garlic, onion and ginger. Stir-fry for 1 minute or until aromatic. Add mince. Stir-fry for 5 minutes or until browned. Add five spice and kecap manis. Stir-fry for 2 to 3 minutes or until thickened slightly. Add cabbage and noodles to wok. Stir-fry for 1 minute or until cabbage is wilted and noodles warmed through. Serve.
FREAKY FACTS
Oklahoma: People who make ugly faces at dogs may be fined and jailed.
Turkey: In the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, anyone caught drinking coffee was put to death.
Belgium: Every child must learn the harmonica at primary school.

Giggle Spot

Teacher: Class give me a sentence with politics in it.
Student: My parrot Poly ate a clock, and now, polytics.

Q: What did the hammer say to the piece of wood?  A: We nailed that one!

Q: What goes ha ha ha plonk?  A: A skeleton laughing his head off!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK
“If you're not making mistakes, then you're not doing anything. I'm positive that a doer makes mistakes.” John Wooden.

Happy Birthday to these recent and up coming party goers.

14 Aug Laura P  16 Aug Harriet S
16 Aug Jeremy D  20 Aug Daniel S
28 Aug William C

Upcoming Dates for your Diary

13 Aug 2013 Cake decorating for the show
15 Aug 2013 Wellington Eisteddfod - K-6
17 Aug 2013 Bedgerabong Show
27 Aug 2013 Bookweek Celebrations- Open Day. Read Across the Universe.
Please note the change of date.
27 Aug 2013 B'bong Alive
30 Aug 2013 Western PSSA Athletics
5 Sept 2013 Dental visit
18 Sept 2013 Canberra Excursion
20 Sept 2013 End Term 3

2013 school term dates
Term 3  15-7-13 - 20-9-13  Term 4  8-10-13 - 20-12-13

Mr Faulkner
7 August 2013