Marvellous Musicians weave Wellington magic!

Student of the Week
Mrs Corke’s class
Week 4 - Kate S – completion of all tasks and independent working.
Week 5 - Sam S – being a great leader during music practice.

Mr Faulkner’s class
Week 4 - Austen B – great effort in Eisteddfod preparation.
Week 5 - Daryl G – great attitude and effort.

Home Reading
75 nights – Rochelle I, William C, Harriet S, Harry A
100 nights – Colby B, Harrison C
125 nights – Isabella B, Brooke McM, Charlotte B, Julia C, Jeremy D.
150 nights – Charlie P, Jacinta McM, Harriet P, Daniel S.

Wellington Eisteddfod

“I would teach children music, physics, and philosophy; but most importantly music, for the patterns in music and all the arts are the keys to learning” Plato

It was a picture perfect day when we travelled to the Wellington Eisteddfod last Thursday. The weather was wonderful and so were all of the children who attended.

The little class performed ‘Scoobie Doo’ in the Infants Percussion Group. They amazed the audience with their timing and rhythm. They were exceptional at following the conductor and were rewarded with a magnificent adjudication of 93 points. Next the Big Class performed in the 3-6 percussion group performing ‘Catch that Jive’ and received praise for their splendid skills. They also took top honours by winning and receiving an adjudication of 93 points. The Small Schools Percussion Group for grades 2-3 performed ‘Cabbage Cafe’ and were also awarded a first place for their grand efforts.

The recorder group (3-6) played ‘Sad Song’ performing very well and winning their section with 94 points.
Wellington Eisteddfod continued
The Instrumental Ensemble for K-6 included 3-6 performing ‘Boris the Bassman’ and ‘AntiGravity’ receiving an impressive score of 94 points for their brilliant performance. The Open Instrumental Ensemble included 3-6 performing ‘Albatross Rock’ and ‘In the Mood’. This was the most extraordinary performance of the day receiving 94 points against The Canobolas Rural Technology High School, a high school ensemble. This was a remarkable effort for our primary group.

Bedgerabong went on to win ‘The Best School Instrumental Ensemble’. This is usually awarded to individual groups but was awarded to our entire school for their efforts on the day. This is a real credit to Mrs Hammond who consistently provides exceptional musical tuition in order to develop musical and performance skills.

A huge thanks must go to the mothers, grandmother, siblings and staff for their continued efforts on the day.

In and out of the classes
In the big classroom the children have been learning about writing personal responses. We have taken a special interest in a short little known animated film called Big Buck Bunny. This is an entertaining film without dialogue. The children had to rely solely on the visual stimulus and their creative use of words to promote the film to others. We had a great variety of responses including posters, radio ads and interviews and masterful movie trailers. The children produced some great work, demonstrating satirical humour by using imaginative and cliché catch phrases. Check out Facebook for samples of the kids work.

In the little class we have been conducting Science experiments involving ‘AIR’. Recently we made a human hovercraft. The kids were amazed to see how strong air really is. Last week we saw the power of air pressure - where the lack of oxygen in a jar caused the outside air pressure to push water up into the jar. You can see a short movie of both these experiments on Facebook. Mrs Faulkner

Messages
Hats and Jumpers- all hats and jumpers must be clearly labelled. In accordance with the school ‘no hat, no play’ policy any child who does not have a hat will have to sit down during recess and lunch times. Our teachers will do their best to remind children to pack their items into their bags but it is also their responsibility to do so.

P&C Update
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).

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. The parade will begin at 10.30am. 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

Canberra Excursion
If you elected to make fortnightly payments – the third payment is now due.
Sang Choy Bow 14.08.13
Serves 4
Ingredients
3 Tbs peanut oil, 3 shallots, finely chopped, 3 tsp ginger minced, 1 tsp garlic minced, 1 tsp red chilli finely chopped, 250g pork, minced, 250g chicken thighs, minced, 100g drained water chestnuts, chopped, 6 squirts fish sauce, 1 tablespoon soy, ¼ cup lime juice (2 limes), 2 tsp sugar, 50gms snow peas, julienned, 50gms carrots, julienned, ½ cup mint leaves, 1 cup coriander, 10 basil leaves, 1 cup bean shoots, 8 fresh crisp iceburg leaves (whole as possible)
Method
Heat peanut oil in a wok until it begins to shimmer slightly, add shallots, ginger, garlic and chilli and sauté until ingredients become translucent. Add minces and sauté for a few minutes until just cooked through. Add water chestnuts, fish sauce, soy, lime juice and palm sugar and cook for a further 2 mins, until meat is cooked and has absorbed the flavours. Taste for sweet, sour and salt! Add snow peas and carrots and cook for a further minute. Remove from heat and add herbs and bean shoots. Serve on a platter and allow guests to fill lettuce cups with spiced mince mixture.

Singapore Noodles 21.08.13
1x 450g packet thin soft noodles, 4 eggs, lightly beaten, 2 chicken thighs fillets, 1 onion, chopped, 2 cloves garlic, 2 tsp ginger, 1 carrot, grated, ¾ cup chopped celery, 2 beef stock cubes dissolved in ¾ cup water, 1 cup green peas, ¼ cup shredded cabbage, Soy sauce, to taste, Curry powder to taste (2Tbs)
Method
Bring pan of water to the boil. Add the noodles, return to boil and drain immediately. 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 wok, add chicken, cook and set aside. Add onion, ginger and garlic to wok, cook until soft. Add vegetables, curry powder and stock. Stir well. Rinse noodles add to vegetables with cooked egg, chicken and soy sauce. Toss and warm through

Bedgerabong Community Notice Board

Bedgerabong Show meeting
There will be a Show wrap up meeting Thursday 22nd August at 7pm in the Hall. Everyone is invited.

Bedgerabong Community Trust meeting
The Bedgerabong Community Trust will hold its September meeting on Monday 16th September. Submissions are now available from the school.

Missing
Missing- 2 eskies from Bedgerabong Showgrounds, Techni ice brand, one white, one yellow. Any information contact Penny Carlisle. Reward offered.

Tennis Comp
Time to put your name down for the next tennis comp which will start early September and finish early/mid November. Tennis is played on Tuesday and Wednesday Nights, starting at 7.30pm. ALL WELCOME. Should you not wish to commit full time to a team, add your name to our reserve list. This is a great way for new community members to get involved and meet the locals. **Names need to be in by 23 August 2013- don't delay as numbers are limited.** For anyone wishing for more information you can contact Tom Simmonds 0458 572 127/6857 2128 or Louise Simmonds 6857 2129 (night times the best) or email louisesimmonds@bigpond.com AGM will be after this date, (possibly the next week) where we will have a short meeting and then put the teams together.
**Show Success**

Congratulations to all of our kids on their fantastic efforts in the garden this year. We entered many of our vegetables in the show on the weekend and took home many blue ribbons. We gained a first in carrots, beetroot, celery, rhubarb and collection of vegetables. Our eggs and herbs took out second place. We were beaten by one point as the overall champion for vegetables. Well done.

Down in the pavilion we also fared well, winning a first and second with our apple and lilly pilly jelly and quince jelly, two firsts and a second in preserved beetroot. We have really diversified, learnt new skills and had fun at the same time. PS Year 6 students also entered the famous whole orange cake in the cooking section of the show and one gained a second place, goes to show you don’t need to cream your butter and sugar any more. Also the schoolwork looked exceptional and congratulations to all the children who gained a prize in this section. The cake decorating ladies also need to be congratulated on the mammoth effort they put in to our student’s entries in the decorated biscuits and cakes section.
FREAKY FACTS
A bee needs to flap its wings 250 times per second to remain in the air.
It takes 72 muscles to speak one word.
An alligator has 80 teeth.
It takes approximately 850 peanuts to make a standard size jar of peanut butter.

Giggle Spot
DORMITORY: When you rearrange the letters: DIRTY ROOM
THE EYES: When you rearrange the letters: THEY SEE
ELECTION RESULTS: When you rearrange the letters: LIES - LET'S RECOUNT

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.

16 Aug  Harriet S  16 Aug  Jeremy D
20 Aug  Daniel S  28 Aug  William C
3 Sept    Mabel B  8 Sept    Ryan P

Upcoming Dates for your Diary
27 Aug 2013  Bookweek Celebrations- Open Day. Read Across the Universe
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
21 August 2013