 Students of the Week

Mrs Corke’s class
Week 4 – Jack K - following rules and always choosing a positive attitude.
Week 5 – Aaron T - trying really hard.

Mrs Faulkner’s class
Week 4 – Zac N - working well in class.
Week 5 – Harrison C - working hard in Maths.

Mr Faulkner’s class
Week 4 – Grace H - hardworking and dedicated.
Week 5 – Rochelle I - quiet and industrious.

Reading Awards
25 nights – Sophie W
50 nights – Harry A, Hammet S, Jack K, Cooper N, Jack K, Zac N.
75 nights – Emily T, Sean D, Fletcher G, Russell W, Jeremy D.

100 nights – Julia C, Will C

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Eisteddfod Success

I would like to sincerely congratulate and commend the children that travelled to Cowra to perform at the Cowra Eisteddfod earlier this week. The children had worked very hard on their performance skills and their item and it certainly showed during their performance. The adjudicator admired their sense of timing and teamwork throughout the piece and their collaboration to make sure their performance entertained the audience. All of the children from our year 1 student to the year 6 students played as one. We didn’t have one complaint or bad word from any of our kids and nothing but praise from the general public attending the Eisteddfod. The bus trip to and from Cowra was a delight as all of the kids got along and simply enjoyed the experience. The children have been invited back to perform at the Grand Concert this Friday night and I know they will do another tremendous job promoting the good name of our school. Great work- Harriet S, Kate S, Harriet P, Julia C, Campbell R, Austen B, Clementine S, Daniel S, Sophie W, Harry A, Jacinta McM and Rochelle I.

Talent Quest

Our annual Talent will be held on Friday 27th June- the last Friday of this term. The children are eagerly preparing their acts. We’d like every child to be involved in at least one act. For those less confident children, especially infants students, the class teachers will provide an opportunity for them to be involved in at least one group class item. We will be holding “auditions” very soon to ensure the kids have some direction for their acts and to collect the resources required for each act. If you have a moment you may discuss this with your child and help them to prepare. We will be starting at 11.30am and have a prepared lunch afterwards. Everyone is more than welcome to attend and share in our celebrations.

Broken Bay Excursion

Just another reminder to get you deposit in for the Broken Bay excursion. We are now having to commit to payments for travel etc so we ask for a non refundable $50 deposit per child to be paid by Friday 27th June (Last day of this term). This deposit will secure your child’s place. Final numbers will be locked in with the camp at the end of term 2. If you wish to pay the full amount of $220 per child you are also most welcome to do so. This cost has been substantially subsidised by the school. We recommend to make regular payments between now and the end of term 3 when the final payment will be due. If you have any questions regarding the excursion please contact Mr or Mrs Faulkner at school.

Netball

Emily Ross the regional netball development officer, will be visiting Bedgerabong on Thursday June 19 to conduct a free clinic. This will be open to students in years 2 - 6 (boys and girls). The children will be split into like age groups and will be given the opportunity to receive qualified netball instruction. The children can wear their sports uniform or at the very least bring along their joggers to school. It is not very often we get qualified coaches willing to come out to visit so we hope everyone will participate. Please contact Mrs Faulkner for more information if required.
Helpful hints for parents:
Michael Grose has a fantastic website that is designed to support mums and dads to better understand their kids behaviours and how to best help keep the family “sane” and to build more resilient kids. Michael deals with issues such as anxiety, self-confidence and worth, setting and keeping boundaries etc etc. Our school has subscribed to the weekly resource and Mrs Corke will endeavour to share some of that support each newsletter. You can also choose to have regular Parenting emails sent to you. Check out his website at www.parentingideas.com.au/

1. As a general rule, it helps to avoid your first impulse to children’s behaviour. Second, you need to respond differently. If a behaviour is to get attention, then don’t provide it. If it’s for the purpose of having an argument, don’t argue. The concept of purposeful behaviour is relatively new for many people. Once you understand it, you begin to see your children’s behaviours.

2. Why is a Music important in the school program?
Music builds a sense of belonging, discipline, confidence, creativity, movement skills and cooperation. Music improves brain development with greater integration of right and left hemispheres. The students in a music program have a real sense of belonging to the group and are motivated to perform at the highest level and to be challenged musically, socially, emotionally and intellectually. The musictrust.com.au

P&C Working Bee
We are organising a couple of working bees next month; Thursday 12th June 10-3pm and Saturday 14th June 10-2pm, to get the enclosed trampoline area completed between the infants classroom and cola, so it can be used for the circus arts program (Paul, I don’t think this is what you called it the other day), as well as some other jobs in the gardens.

Some of the jobs will include; levelling of the area behind old blue brick wall (Jeff George to organise), removal of any shrubs or stumps in area (Jeff George to organise), construction of frame for wire fence to enclose the area- including door (similar to the current tennis court fence), erecting the fence, installing some form of border/boundary to save soft-fall from escaping, assembling of 2 x springless trampolines. (Murray Brown is planning this project and organising the ordering of materials).

Other jobs in the school yard will include; construction of secure storage rack for unicycles in COLA (Jeff George to organise), explore possibility of lighting: the back of the COLA with laserlite etc (Glen Rubie to organise), large branch removal, general weeding and trimming of native garden in front of office. Food and drinks will be provided on both days.

We’d love you all to come along, and help get these project completed, so our kids can benefit from the programs that are planned in these areas for the rest of the year. For more information and to let us know if you’re able to help, contact Murray Brown on 68571165, or Margot Rubie on 68572118.

Kids Teaching Kids – Parkes East
On Wednesday four of our students had the opportunity to attend Kids Teaching Kids at Parkes East. The highlight of the event was that “ABC’s Gardening Australia – Costa” was in attendance and our kids had the opportunity to listen to what he had to say, as well as talk to him. The kids learnt a lot about sustainable farming from other students as well.
News from K-2
K-2 have been studying ‘This is ME!’ during HSIE. We have been learning about what makes each individual special and different. We used some ink to show our different fingerprints. We have been discussing our families and why each family is special. We have asked for a family photo to be sent into class. If you can we would love to see a happy snap of your family.

All of the children have enjoyed participating in familiar reading in our circus tent. Each child reads a familiar book and places a peg on their shirt to indicate the number of books read. The children also use whiteboards and magnetic letters to develop their understanding of the text read during word work.

News from ‘The Middle’
Mathletics has proven to be a very popular Mathematics tool particularly in the primary classrooms. Children in years 2-6 are given the opportunity to utilise this well designed program to practice and sharpen their maths skills. The school has paid for licences ensuring the children can take full advantage of Mathletics both at school and home. Achievements and activities are tracked by the school and top efforts such as bronze gold and silver awards are awarded to the children. Last week we started a little friendly competition between the two big classes to see who could attain the most points. Congratulations to Ryan P on winning the individual points award and to the big class who by the narrowest of margins, won the class points award.
News from ‘The Top’
Mrs Kenny has been working hard with our class on Science and HSIE units and the kids are really enjoying working with her. We’ve just finished Storm Boy by Colin Theile and are in up to our necks studying a variety of topics as a result, such as environments, pelicans, isolated communities and relationships. Oh you’ve probably read all about Mathletics it’s great but did you know that apart from the obvious Mathletics also has a FANTASTIC maths tutoring system called Rainforest Maths- really worth a look. We have also subscribed to a new app called Skoolbo. It has been designed by the creator of Mathletics and has the option of both on and off line sessions so children without wi-fi at home can still progress through skoolbo and have their progress updated when they get to school. Skoolbo involves basic Literacy and Numeracy skills. Again, I’d suggest you take a moment with your child to have a look at Skoolbo. Oh by the way did anyone mention that the 5-6 class were MATHLETICS Champions last week???????

Tootie Fruity
Freeform Spiced lamb and sweet potato pie
1 1/2 cups plain flour, 125g butter, chilled, chopped, 2 tablespoons chilled water, 1 small zucchini, grated, 150g sweet potato, peeled, grated, 1/2 cup fresh coriander leaves, chopped, 1 small brown onion, finely chopped, 1 teaspoon paprika, 1 teaspoon allspice, 300g lean lamb mince, 1 egg, lightly beaten.

Method
Preheat oven to 220°C/200°C fan-forced. Combine flour and butter until mixture resembles breadcrumbs. Add cold water and knead until smooth. Knead on a floured surface till smooth. Place dough between 2 sheets of baking paper. Roll out dough to form a 30cm x 40cm rectangle. Place on a baking tray lined with baking paper. Cover. Refrigerate for 30 minutes. Meanwhile, squeeze excess moisture from zucchini. Combine zucchini, sweet potato, coriander, onion, paprika, allspice and mince in a bowl. Season with salt and pepper. Spoon mixture, in a thin layer, over pastry, leaving a 6cm border. Fold pastry edge over filling. Brush pastry with egg. Bake for 30 minutes or until pastry is golden. Slice and serve.

We substituted Jerusalem artichoke for the zucchini and pumpkin for the sweet potato.

Chicken and leek petite pies
1 tablespoon olive oil, 450g chicken thigh fillets, trimmed, 1 leek, thinly sliced, 100g Swiss brown mushrooms, thinly sliced, 2 garlic cloves, finely chopped, 80ml (1/3 cup) pouring cream, 2 teaspoons Dijon mustard, 40g (1/2 cup) coarsely grated cheese, 2 sheets frozen shortcrust pastry, partially thawed, 2 sheets frozen puff pastry, partially thawed, 1 egg, lightly whisked

Method
Heat oil in a frying pan over medium-high heat. Cook chicken for 3 minutes each side or until almost cooked through. Transfer to a plate. Season. Cool and cut into 2cm pieces. Add leek to pan. Stir for 5 minutes or until soft. Add mushroom and garlic. Stir for 3 minutes or until just cooked. Stir in chicken, cream and mustard. Cook for 5 minutes or until chicken is cooked and sauce has thickened slightly. Transfer to a bowl. Cool. Preheat oven to 220C. Grease twelve 80ml (1/3 cup) muffin pans with oil spray. Use an 8.5cm round pastry cutter to cut 12 discs from shortcrust pastry. Line pans with pastry discs. Prick bases with a fork. Bake for 10 minutes or until light golden. Remove pastry cases and place on a lined baking tray. Sprinkle cheese in the bottom of each pastry case. Divide chicken mixture among pastry cases. Use a 7.5cm round pastry cutter to cut 12 discs from the puff pastry. Line pans with pastry discs. Prick bases with a fork. Bake for 10 minutes or until light golden. Remove pastry cases and place on the pies. Cut a small slit in the top of the pies. Bake for 10 minutes or until puffed and golden.

Easy Biscuits
Melt 125g butter and 1 cup brown sugar together in microwave until thick. Beat in 1 egg, add 1 ½ cups SR Flour. Make into balls and cook for 10 mins in moderate oven. Variations- add jam for jam drops, peanut butter for peanut biscuits, white choc and macadamas etc.
Bedgerabong Community Notice Board

Church Services 2013
Bedgerabong Uniting Service - 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. All denominations very welcome.

Warroo Drummuster and General Tidy Up
Friday 13th June from 3pm onwards followed by drinks, sausage sizzle and AGM at 5pm.
COME AND SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL HALL!!

Rinse them out, Round them up and Run them in - Warroo Hall Association be holding a drumMUSTER collection at the Warroo Hall on Friday 13 June 2014. Call Jenny Fay on 0424 415 390 or 6856 3190 to book them in. Every 100 drums you deliver earns $25 for the Warroo Hall! The Warroo Hall Association looks forward to your support in rinsing out, rounding up, and running in all your empty, properly cleaned, agricultural and veterinary chemicals. For more information call Jenny Fay on 0424 415 390 or 6856 3190 or Vernon Keighley, drumMUSTER on 0406 745 030.

Disclaimer
As a service to the community, we will advertise events that may be of interest. Bedgerabong Public School does not endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility for the management or organisation of these events. Any items of community news can be forwarded to Bedgerabong School and will be included in the fortnightly newsletter distributed community wide.

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**FREAKY FACTS**
The stegosaurus had the brain the size of a walnut. Squirrels cannot remember where they have hidden half of their food. A shark does not have bones. Its skeleton is made of cartilage. A woodpecker can peck up to 20 times per second.

**Giggle Spot**
Q: Why is England the wettest country? A: Because the queen has reigned there 3.5 years!
Q: Why do fish live in salt water? A: Because pepper makes them sneeze!
Q: What do you get when you cross a snowman with a vampire? A: Frostbite.

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**
“Innovation distinguishes between a leader and a follower.” - Steve Jobs

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Mr Faulkner
4 June 2014

**Happy Birthday to these recent and up coming party goers.**
- 22 June Hailey G
- 7 July Jacinta McM
- 8 July Jay-T G
- 6 July Jasmine P
- 7 July Grace H
- 17 July Patrick B

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