Magical, Musical Memories

Students of the Week

Student of the Week
Mrs Corke’s class
Week 4 - Riley P - general knowledge skills
Week 5 - Samantha N - taking care with her work

Mrs Faulkner’s class
Week 4 - Zac N - great independent Maths work
Week 5 - Will C - working well in Maths - multiplication

Mr Faulkner’s class
Week 4 - Maddy K - awesome FISHY attitude
Week 5 - Sean D - fabulous attitude towards learning

Reading Awards
50 nights - James T
75 nights - Zac N
100 nights - Sari E
125 nights - Will M, Grace H, Jess C
150 nights - Riley P, Annabelle H, Samantha N
175 nights - Russell W, Madison B, Airlie B, Emily T
200 nights - Will C, Harriet S, Lizzy S, Isabella B, Clementine S,
           Sophie W, Jack J, Fletcher G, Eli B, Campbell R,
           Patrick B, George M, Harrison C, Daniel S,
           Austen B, Halle B

Upcoming Dates for your Diary
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Special Experience at the Sydney Opera House

Just over a week ago I was privileged to accompany 6 Bedgerabong students on an experience of a lifetime. After successfully auditioning, rehearsing and preparing, these 6 students, Daniel S, Sophie W, Clementine S, Austen B, Julia C and Harriet P, travelled to Sydney to catch up with the rest of the NSW Small Schools Marimba Ensemble to play at the Sydney Opera House, in no less than the main concert hall! It was an amazing experience for the kids who performed at an extraordinary level to a packed house of over 2000 paying guests. The children played a new song called “Zambezi” that we had rehearsed via Video Conference before meeting up with the rest of the Ensemble in Sydney, and it received a standing ovation. This group was a credit to the rest of our school with their positive behaviour, attitude and performance and certainly shows the strength of our performing arts program as we had just as many talented players who were unable to participate... this year.

River Arts Festival

Thank you so much to those who were able to contribute to our school’s performance at the Kalari Lachlan River Arts Festival. Thank you also for your patience and understanding on the evening. The organisers did have some administration issues that held us up a little, but for those who were in attendance the parade and performance were great and certainly worth waiting for. This was a terrific opportunity for our school to contribute to a community event and for the wider community to be reminded of our school. I’m extremely proud of the comments and feedback I have received from the organisers and general public regarding our parade music and marimba performance, again showing the performance and musical skills our kids have and that we sometimes take for granted. I must mention that the performance for this event would not have been possible if not for the guidance of Mrs Isbester before the day and for Murray and Katy Brown for transporting all of our “wacky” instruments to and from town. A fine team effort.
K-1 News

Mrs Kathy Cooper came to our school on Tuesday to teach us about ‘Healthy Ears’. We learnt that you should eat crunchy food, blow your nose, cough into your elbow and wash your hands. This will help everyone look after their ears.

Last Monday Musica Viva was very exciting and filled with amazing musical talent. Here are some of the diary entries:

Today we had Musica Viva. The people came from Sydney it was fun! We got to sing songs and they had some great costumes. –Samantha.

Today we had Musica Viva and their names were Hermoine and Hercules. I loved it and I hope they will come back another time. –Bridie.

News from ‘the middle’

The middle class has been getting a bit techno – learning about Google Apps and Microsoft Office 365. Yes, you may have all used these before but we were working online, using multi-user options. Both these suites have been recently made available to all public school students as well as many other valuable resources – accessible through their student portal. We have found some success with iPads but generally are finding these applications work better on computers. So far we have shared site links and are currently working on our school magazine pages via a shared document. What is really great about these is that children can access them from their home computers too. All they need to be able to do is log into their student portals.

News from the Library

Hello everybody! Mrs Horan has been working hard to cover some new junior fiction picture books for the library, and they are now available for students to read and borrow. Please remember to return your library books every week and bring in your library bags on Thursday if you want to borrow some awesome books. Miss Rees 😊

News from the “top”

Wow – how did we get here, (week 6 that is) so fast? For a large portion of our class there are less than 5 weeks or just over 1 month of their Primary School career left. Throw in 2 weeks of swimming and it’s easy to see why there is a buzz of excitement in the class. It’s one of our great privileges, as primary school teachers in small school, to be able to share so much of the formative years of our students. We see them grow and change so much, and hope that we have been able to provide them with adequate support and a whole lot of great memories. At this time of the year I’d like to remind all of the senior students of their responsibility as school leaders to set a good example at all times. It would be a shame to have the last few weeks spoiled with unhappy
experiences, ruining the good memories of being a part of our school, by making some silly mistakes. Just a quick note to our current year 5 students who intend to make themselves available for the school captain elections this coming Friday that the speeches and voting will take place from 10am on Friday morning. As we have over 6 potential candidates we will be voting to elect 2 captains and 2 vice captains. A reminder that we don’t vote for a boy and girl captain, we simply vote for the 2 best candidates.

**Parental Feedback - School Review**
At this time of the year our school conducts its annual review in order to prepare and plan for the next school year. A big part of this is asking for parental feedback which allows us an opportunity for another perspective on our programs and practices. Very soon each family will be asked to provide us with such feedback and I’d like to urge you all to take the chance to contribute. As with any chance for feedback we expect both positive and negative responses and that’s fine, however if you do have any negatives, it would certainly be appreciated if you might be able to propose some suggestions to address those issues.

**School Uniforms**
A quick reminder that it is expected that all students continue to wear our full summer school uniform, including a hat, right up until the end of term. If we do have an event that allows students to dress casually, you will receive a note. Students who are unable to wear the correct uniform should provide a signed note from home explaining the situation.

**School Bookfair**
Each year our school conducts a Book Fair. This is to serve two purposes. Firstly, we like to offer our community a chance to purchase newly released and reprinted children’s books that you may want to use as Christmas gifts for family or to give to your own children. The second purpose is as an option to select books to be used as Presentation Night awards. Our P&C generously supplies $15 per student for a book as an award. As an added bonus the school also gets to keep 60% of book sales for our library! Very soon your child will come home with a “Wish List” that they will have compiled from our Book Fair. Your task is to then visit the school to make the choice of book from that list (value to $15) and take it to Mrs Horan who will prepare it for Presentation Night. If you are unsure as to what to do in regards to this please do not hesitate in contacting your child’s class teacher.

**School Swimming**
Thank you to those families who have been able to return their permission forms and payment for School Swimming. In order to make definite arrangements we will require all of those to be returned by this Friday 13th November at the very latest. When we have been able to confirm the transport/buses we can then make definite arrangements for travel to and from the pool. As in previous years please be aware that UNLESS YOU HAVE NOTIFIED US IN WRITING THAT YOUR CHILD WILL BE PICKED UP IN TOWN FROM SWIMMING PRIOR TO THE DAY- THEY WILL BE REQUIRED TO RETURN TO SCHOOL EACH DAY.

In preparation for School Swimming you should be making sure that you have labelled all of your child’s clothing including, socks and underpants. We still have a substantial stock of unlabelled clothing from last year.
**Student Lunchboxes and bags**

With the busy world we live in, it is very easy to overlook the "small" things. Recently we have had several instances of old lunch boxes/plastic bags being left in school bags, and as you might imagine it wasn't pretty.

It may be a good idea to check your child's bag each day to ensure that old lunches and scraps aren't left to go off. We also send home notes with kids that sometimes remain in bags for quite a while so another a reason to check the bags.

**Community Connections**

The last two weeks Community Connections have had a wonderful roll up. We enjoyed our regular gross motor activities outside in the morning sunshine, particularly enjoying duck, duck, goose! We shared a few laughs when the adults had a turn racing around the circle. We had fun spreading, sprinkling and cutting when we made some fairy bread. There were some amazing paddle pop stick houses and hand print family trees. Last week many sheep were made and horses painted. Overall a great time was had by all.
**Tootie Fruity**

Pasta seems to be a favourite, no matter what the toppings. We have been cooking with some wonderful shaped gourmet pasta, the pasta for the chicken looked rather like squid, the spaghetti for the meatballs was a filled thick pasta.

**Chicken & bacon pasta**

1kg dried tagliatelle, 150g margarine, 1 kg chicken, 350 g bacon, 300g mushrooms, 3 onions, 2 cloves garlic, 1 capsicum, 4 sticks celery, 2 tsp parsley, 6 tbs flour, 750ml milk, 100ml cream, Salt and pepper

Chop onions, celery, garlic and capsicum. Slice mushrooms. Chop bacon. Chop chicken into small chunks. Melt the margarine in another saucepan and stir in the chicken. Add onion and garlic. Cook the chicken for five minutes until it loses its pinkness. Add the bacon to the chicken and cook for 3 mins. Add mushrooms, celery and capsicum to pan. Cook for 2 mins then stir in the flour. Cook for a further 1 min, take off the heat. Gradually add the milk, stirring all the time. Put the pan back on the heat and let it bubble gently until the sauce thickens. Add the cream and parsley, turn down low.

**Meatballs with spaghetti**

2 pkts spaghetti

Meatballs - 1 kg mince, 2 tsp dried herbs, 2 tbs greek yogurt, 2 tbs flour, Tomato sauce, 3 onions, 3 clove garlic, 3 tins tomatoes, 3 tbs basil

Put the meat into a bowl and break it up with a fork. Add the yogurt, herbs and flour. Wash your hands, pick up some of the mixture and shape it into a ball the size of a table tennis ball.

Heat a frying pan and add meatballs. Turn them often, until they are brown all over. In another pan heat tablespoon of oil and all chopped onion and garlic and fry until soft. Add the tomatoes, basil, salt and pepper. Let it boil then turn down the heat and gently cook for 10 minutes. Add the meatballs. Put the lid on the pan and leave to gently cook for 20 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Meanwhile half fill a pan with water and bring to the boil. Add a tablespoon of oil to the water, add the noodles, and cook as packet requires.

**Bedgerabong Community Notice Board**

**Bedgerabong Church**

The AGM will be held on Thursday 12th November at 2pm at the Church. All welcome. We want as many volunteers to help us in our endeavours as we can get.

**AQUA AEROBICS**

For pregnant women and mothers, Starting Monday 9 November 2015, Mondays and Wednesdays for 6 weeks, 9.30am – 10.30am, Forbes Town Pool, $2.50 pool entry for Mums.

To Register: Contact Denise or Jane at Forbes Community Health Centre on 6850 7310 or 6850 7305. Email: denisehopkins@health.nsw.gov.au or jane.omalley@health.nsw.gov.au

**Helper available**

Highly qualified 25 year old female available for childcare / babysitting/ housekeeping. Day or evenings. Overnight care also a possibility. Happy to houseclean or prepare meals while children resting or sleeping. Some farm experience in New Zealand so willing to consider offers of casual farm labour. Reasonable hourly, daily or nightly rates. Centrally located at Warroo. Referees available on requests. Text 0488 509 581 c/o Anabel Blake, “Old Warroo” Homestead, or phone Susan Anderson 6857 2177, “Old Warroo” Homestead.

**Yoga classes**

Expressions of interest for yoga classes, (4.30pm or 7.15pm) limited places so get in touch ASAP to book a spot. Contact Kate Willis 0403772187m or Katewillis85@hotmail.com
FREAKY FACTS
More monopoly money is printed yearly, than real money is printed throughout the world. The word Spain means "the land of rabbits." There were no red coloured M&Ms from 1976 to 1987.

Giggle Spot
Q: What kind of teeth can you buy for a dollar? A. Buck teeth.
Q: Why didn’t the silly kid want to use toothpaste? A: Because his teeth weren’t loose.
Q: What is the best way to avoid wrinkles? A: Don’t sleep in your clothes.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK
"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." - Maya Angelou

Happy Birthday to these recent and up coming party goers.

11 Nov Halle B
17 Nov William M
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Mr Faulkner
9 November 2015

2015 school term dates
Term 3 14-7-15 - 18-9-15
2016 school term dates
Term 1 27-1-16 - 8-4-16
Term 2 26-4-16 - 1-7-16
Term 4 6-10-15 - 18-12-15