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Newsletter - Term 2 Week 6, 4th June, 2013

Upcoming events

Thursday clubs

6th June- Federation & Beyond

12th June- Science & Tech Challenge, Narrabri

12th June- Early Birds parent Info session

13th June School Experience visit- Mary Ranken

13th June- Chess, Werris Creek

17th June- P&C Meeting

Principal's message

Dear parents/carers,

Many family members came along to school today to watch and be entertained by our successful Eisteddfod performers. 3/4/5C put a lot of effort into their performances and they were very proud to show everyone what they could do. The Stage 2&3 choir is also very proud of their performance and sang beautifully today. Our Stage One, Musical Entertainment group looked very colourful and their song was also thoroughly entertaining. Congratulations go to all of today's participants. Look out for photos in next week's newsletter.

The Personal Learning Plan meetings, that have just concluded, have been a great opportunity for our community to connect more readily with our school. I would like to thank Sue Sutherland for her help in organising the meetings and all staff for their professionalism and dedication to ensuring that all students and families can be involved in a partnership of learning.

Last week I mentioned that the archway at the front of the school could be moved to the site of the vegetable garden at the back of the school. Suggestions about what to do with it have ranged from making it a passionfruit vine climbing frame to creating a greenhouse where we can establish seedlings for the vege gardens. Please let me know if you have any ideas about where to put it, what to do with it and then what to replace it with to enhance the entrance to our office. It is very important that we keep the history of the school alive and this is certainly an important aspect of our school. The plaque that

is attached to the frame will be relocated to the music room if the frame is moved.

When you come to the office make sure you look at the new monitor which displays photos of your children happily engaged in their learning. This is the start of our office refurbishment project and we look forward to keeping you updated about the improvements.

Have a great week

Stephen de Roos



Chelsie & Shona are two of our proud, hardworking KS students.

NEW HOME TIME PROCEDURES

Last week we began implementing our new home time dismissal procedures. Students and family members have adapted well to these new procedures, which have been implemented to ensure the safety of our students at home time.

All gates will remain LOCKED until 3pm. Family members are asked to WAIT OUTSIDE the school grounds.

All students will line up in the Thunderdome as follows:

Bus lines & Bloomfield St exits

Sandpit (Cul de sac) exit

Hall gate exit (this will include Homework centre on Tuesdays)

Active after School (Mondays & Wednesdays)

Staff will then walk students to the exits and unlock the gates.

We appreciate your cooperation with these new procedures.

If you need to be on school premises, PLEASE ENTER AT MAIN GATE AND CHECK IN AT THE OFFICE.

Assembly

Last Friday we held an assembly in the hall. Numerous awards were presented to our worthy students.

Congratulations go to: Principal's awards- Jaala Priddle, Taleiah Donnelly & Cameron McCutcheon, Library- Peter Shoovert & Will O'Dell, KS- Chelsie Whitfield & Cody Kemsley-O'Connor, K/1D- Sky Fortier & Jayden Adams, 2B- Cody MacAulay & Tanika Herbert, 3/4/5C- Breanna Ellery & Sarsha Maughan, 3-6F- Shakeem Bartman, 5/6S- Madisyn Rumbel & Izaack Foran. MULTILIT- Vanessa Golsby & Blake Whitfield.



The assembly award recipients.

Bridges with 3/4/5C

This term 3/4/5C have been learning about different types of bridges and the elements of design that give bridges strength.

The first type of bridge they researched was a suspension bridge. Recently they spent an afternoon outside with Mr de Roos who challenged the children to construct a suspension

bridge using string. The bridges were a success with each team able to drive a toy tractor from one end to the other.



The 3/4/5C students were fully engaged in their bridge challenge with Mr de Roos.

Starting School 2014?

Early Birds, our transition to school program, will begin in Term 3. This year Early Birds will be held every Thursday. **Please come along to an information morning tea on Wednesday 12 June at 10:30am if you have a child starting school in 2014.**



Some of the pre-schoolers who recently visited our school.

PSSA League Knockout.

Last week our league team travelled to Tamworth to play Tamworth Public in the 2nd round of the PSSA knockout. Lochlan Carter played his best game to date and Oscar King scored our team's two tries. Unfortunately our loss sees us knocked out of the competition. However, Trent and Miss Baker are pleased with the way the boys conducted themselves on the field and with the improvements in their standard

of play. Thanks go to the wonderful helpers; Janelle Smith, Cheryl Schofield, Rob Ireland, Katrina King & Rebecca Whitfield, who transported players on the day and also cheered them along.



Liam, Cody, Ben, Lochlan, Luke, Blake, Sebastian, Connor

Ben, Brock, Raymond, Izaiah, Izaack, Reece, Oscar- the team!

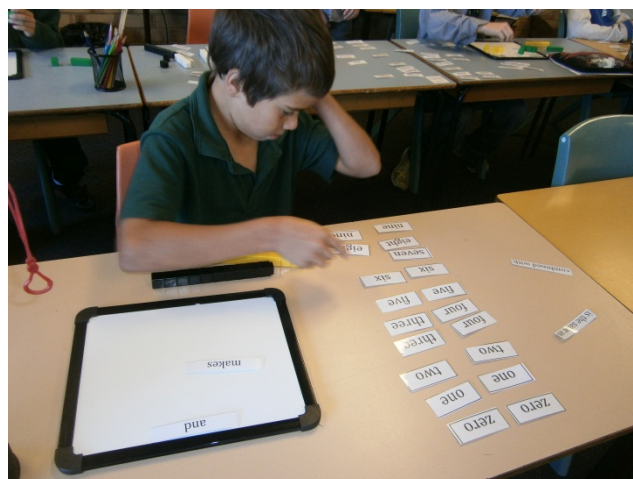
Maths with 3-6F

Mr de Roos has been spending time working on place value and numbers in our stage 2 classes. Yesterday he worked with Mrs Frend's class and was impressed with their persistence and thinking skills.



3-6F engaging with Maths

Lucas focused on his work



Gunnedah Shire Council

Homework Centre

Tuesdays only

during school term

3.00-4.30pm

Free pick up from school

Red Chief Local Aboriginal

Land Council

26 Chandos Street

GUNNEDAH

All ages, indigenous and
non-indigenous welcome

Afternoon tea provided

Lisa Warren

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Please note that this week's canteen delight will be a chicken burger & a popper not a beef and cheese burger as advertised last week. A change has had to be made due to only one person being able to work in the canteen on the day. If you can help out in the canteen this **FRIDAY** or any other Friday please contact the office.

School Calendar Term 2

	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
Week 6	3/6	4/6 Breaky Club Eisteddfod Items Concert PLP Thank You BBQ	5/6 NAIDOC excursion fundraiser Jelly+custard cups \$1.00	6/6 Breaky Club Federation & Beyond	7/6 CANTEEN Chicken burger+popper No Assembly due to Tuesday's concert
Week 7	10/6 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	11/6 Breaky Club	12/6 Early Birds Parent Information Session 10.30 <i>Science &</i> <i>Technology</i> <i>Challenge</i> <i>Narrabri</i> <i>NAIDOC excursion</i> <i>fundraiser</i> <i>Jelly+custard</i> <i>cups \$1.00</i>	13/6 Breaky Club School Experience visit- Mary Ranken <i>Chess- Werris</i> <i>Creek</i> AECG Meeting South School	14/6 CANTEEN Nuggets+garlic bread+popper Assembly 2.30
Week 8	17/6 P&C meeting 6pm	18/6 Breaky Club	19/6	20/6 Breaky Club	21/6 CANTEEN Pizza+popper Assembly 2.30

