Parent Teacher Evening: Tuesday 26th February 2013.

Thank you to the parents who joined us on Tuesday evening. We really appreciate your support. I’d like to thank our P&C for providing a tasty sausage sizzle.

Aussie Day (take two)

As you would be aware, we needed to post-pone last Friday’s Aussie Family Day due to the rain. We will try again this Friday. We ask that the students come to school dressed in their Aussie outfits. We have some great activities planned for the day. Parents and friends are invited to join us for Aussie Day at Werris Creek Public School.

9 am – Aussie Activities (5 x 20 minute sessions)

11 am Morning Tea
Aussie treats available at canteen 50c to $1.
Lamingtons, Green/Gold biscuits, Mini Pavlovas

11.30 am Bush Dancing
Join us on the middle terrace
Prizes for colouring comp will be given out.

12.30 pm Walk to the pool for a BBQ lunch & swim
Sausage Sandwiches $2
Drinks available from pool shop $2

2.40 pm Return to school for home time

Regional Swimming

We would like to wish Nash Porter, Jayden Barr, Mia Constable and Chloe Symington who participated in Armidale at the Regional Swimming Carnival all the very best. We look forward to hearing about their results.

Postcards

As part of our reporting to parents process we used to send home a ‘first impressions’ form to let you know how your child has settled into their new class. Last year we decided to send you a PBL postcard with a personal message about your child. This year’s postcards were sent home last Thursday. I really hope that you liked them.

Together we make a difference
Mr Michael Windred
Principal
KINDERGARTEN

Our first full week together was great. Homework will start next Monday. Please keep practising writing names and numbers 1 to 5.

Our sounds this week are ‘e’ and ‘k’. Our new sight words are—go, school, play, are.

We are talking about healthy food in PD/Health especially the importance of fruit for morning tea and lunch. We will also discuss the importance of a big breakfast as some children are very hungry by 9:30 am.

Mrs Windsor

YEAR K/1/2

In Mathematics this week we are looking at Chance and Data.

Our buddy reading is going well with students from both classes gaining great satisfaction. That is from being able to read aloud (K/1/2) and (5/6) from knowing that they are helping to guide younger students and be of assistance to the teacher at the same time.

In Art this week we are painting giraffes—a popular animal with a long neck. Each portrayal is bound to be different. What wonderful creatures they are.

Mrs Roser-Whitney

YEAR 2/3

I have great news. As stated at last week’s Parent Teacher Evening, I will be sending your child’s classroom books home this Friday for you to Contact. Can you please make sure that you have contact ready to cover the books? Furthermore, it is important that the books are returned to school on the Monday, so we can commence work again. Thank you to the parents who joined us on Tuesday evening. I really appreciated your support.

In reading we are concentrating on inferential comprehension and in grammar we are still concentrating on Nouns, Adjectives, Articles, Verbs and Prepositions. We are also editing mistakes in sentences. Homework: Home Reading, Addition, Word problems, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation.

Have a great weekend with the book covering!

Michael Windred
Werris Creek Public School

YEAR 4/5

Students are continuing to practice a technique of self-improvement where they review their work and compare it to previous days/weeks work. Year 5 Students from 4/5 and 5/6 have continued NAPLAN practice each Thursday. Students in Year 4 and Year 6 will alternate with Music and Visual Arts activities during this period. Students have been learning and practicing some bush dances in preparation for Aussie Day on Friday. Don’t forget the Year 4/5 Biscuit Stall this Thursday. Cost of homemade biscuits is 50c each. Bought biscuits can be sent if necessary.

T. Munday

YEAR 5/6

Congratulations to Jayden, Mia, Chloe who braved it in Armidale today for zone swimming.

As you know Aussie Day was cancelled last week due to poor weather so we hope to see lots of parents at school this Friday to celebrate being Australian.

Please encourage students to read regularly and fill in their reading diaries.

We are really focused on persuasive writing at present. It would be helpful if you could discuss words, phrases and techniques that help to persuade, with your child.

Show them examples of adverts on TV and in magazines, newspapers.

Those students who received debating notes, please return ASAP.

Regards

Catherine Anderson

LIBRARY

Lessons continue ever forward in library and science. Here are some fun facts to help keep parents stay competitive with your children.

1. In Victoria they have discovered fully grown Tyrannosaursuses that are just over a metre tall. These are nicknamed Mini Rex. (Insert Doctor evil laugh here)
2. Pluto's status as a planet was revoked in 2006. This means there are only 8 planets.
3. Many types of dinosaurs had feathers, like those on baby birds. Yes, T-Rex too!
4. A lunar cycle is not a bike, as my father tells my kids, but rather the 29.53 days it takes the moon to go from new moon to new moon.

Have fun dazzling your kids with these facts! :)

One father is worth more than a hundred school teachers. Others can teach you what you know, a good father teaches you how to be.

Chris Lyon
Principal’s Awards
5 Gold slips—
10 Gold slips—
15 Gold slips—
20 Gold slips—

Home Reading Nights
25 Nights—
50 Nights—
75 Nights—
100 Nights—

Uniform Draw
The following people were wearing their sports uniform with pride and have been rewarded with an icy mony from the canteen:
Shona Hughes; Janie Gillies; Angus Bender; Chloe Neilsen

Mad Hatters
5/6

Value of the Week
Sam Baldo; Tom Moore; Cordiliya Johnson; Imogen Lyon

Aussie Day Colouring Comp
Khiarly Allan (K); Jenna Angel (Yr 1); Jacob Doolan (Yr 2); Rory Bender (Yr 3); Blake Johnston (Yr 4); Chrystal Johnson (Yr 5); Shay Flett (Yr 6)

Physie & Dance
Mondays at the Bowling Club (Engine Room). Girls from 3 years and up are welcome. Also classes are held in Quirindi every second week. For more information please call Rachel Doak.

P. & C. News

Canteen News
Canteen Roster for Term 1, 2013

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Quirindi Junior Basketball
Registration Day
Saturday 9th March
Quirindi High School Hall
9:00am to 11:00am

$70 High School Students
$55 Primary Students
(No additional court fees charged)

4 Divisions:
Years 1 & 2
Years 3, 4 & 5
Years 6 & 7
Years 8, 9 & 10

Competition is played on Friday Nights and run during Terms 2 and 3.

Don’t miss out at being a part of this great sport.
“We never get washed out”

Enquiries: Terry Beresford 0412787680
www.quirindibasketball.com.au

Malteaster Bunnies
Thank you to the families who have taken a box (or more) of Malteaster Bunnies to sell for the Primary Lake Keepit Excursion. We have had some money returned to school already! Thank you to those. If you are having trouble selling the choccies you took please don’t hesitate to bring them back to school and we can sell them elsewhere.

Thank you once again for your support.
Catherine Anderson & Tim Munday