Werris Creek Public School

CONTACT
SAFETY, RESPECT, ACHIEVEMENT

Term 4 Week 3
21st October, 2014

Principal: Leonie Byrne
Administration Manager: Helen Schumann
Assist. Principal(Rel): Timothy Munday
Administration Officer: Kaye Beaton

Manner of the Week: Be steady & considerate to others – in walking lines, games, assembly, at the tables

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Home Reading Nights

75 nights – Bailey Patterson  100 nights – Bailey Patterson

125 nights – Bailey Patterson

150 Nights - Kyaranna Griffiths; Deagan Howard; Jarvis Doak; Tremayne Millgate
175 Nights - Josh Koppers; Brooke Jones; Jarvis Doak; Tremayne Millgate

200 Nights - Ataya McLaren; Josh Koppers

Principal’s Awards

5 Gold Slips – Allira-Jayde Blyton; Jack Woods

10 Gold Slips – Angus Woods; Toby Scott; Mackenzie Saunders; Jai Richmond; Tiarni-Lee Pullen; Jamal Crothers; Ruby Cope; Chase Patton; Ataya McLaren; Daisy-May Hogg; Nathan Gow; Janie Gillies

15 Gold Slips – Archie Blackwell; Ella Saunders; Nicholas Partridge; Lilly Cope; Phoebe Roberts; Chloe Partridge

20 Gold Slips – Laura Davis; Ben Foody; Pip Moore

Principal’s Message

2014 marks the end of the school planning cycle, which means a new plan needs to be developed. The new plan will cover four years and presents an opportunity to make change. The most effective plans are developed when everyone in the school community is consulted. I understand that not everyone will feel comfortable coming into the school to have their say or fill in a written survey. On this basis I have asked Mrs McInnes to phone every family and ask just one question “If there was one thing you could change at the school what would it be?” The responses so far have been enlightening and will be considered carefully. If you are yet to receive a phone call you may like to give this question some thought. If you have had a phone call already and have thought of something you wish you’d said please do not hesitate to call the school and leave your suggestion with the office staff.

As we approach the end of the year we are having an increasing number of children receiving certificates as part of our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) initiative. An important part of this program is the issuing of Gold Slips to children for demonstrating excellence in behaviour. When a child receives a Gold Slip they are asked to put it in a box in the foyer of the administration building or in an envelope in their classroom. These slips are then collected and counted and then entered onto a database. They are then returned to the child to take home. Some children have been taking the Gold Slips home before they are entered on the database. If your child brings home a Gold Slip please check the back for a red stamp which will be present if it has been counted. If there is no stamp please send it back to school so it can be counted.

Just a reminder about attendance. If your child is absent from school you need to send in a note or give the office a call and give a verbal notification. Should you wish to go on a holiday you can apply for an exemption by filling in some forms at the office. Each week a large number of absence notes are sent home as the Department of Education requires us to do so. If your child accrues too many unexplained or unacceptable absences your child will be placed on the Home School Liaison Officer’s caseload as they will come to the school to check our attendance data. Your assistance with notification of absences will be very much appreciated.

School photographs will be held tomorrow 23.10.14. Children in PSSA teams need to bring joggers to school (team uniforms are at school) whilst the Equestrian team will need to bring clothes. All children are to be in full summer uniform for school photos.
IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: We will continue to update & advertise these dates through the term in the calendar located on the front page of the CONTACT

Thursday – 6th November, 2014 – Mr Chadwick, (Yr 7 Advisor QHS) Yr 6 talk – 9:30 am

Thursdays - 6th: 13th; 20th and 27th November, 2014 - 3-6 Swimming (1:45 pm to 2:45 pm)

Monday - 10th November, 2014 – Kindergarten Prep – 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

Tuesday – 11th November, 2014 – Remembrance day

Tuesday - 18th November, 2014 – 2/3 visit to Werris Creek Hospital

Friday - 21st November, 2014 – Twilight Fete – 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Monday – 24th November, 2014 – Kindergarten Prep – 9:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Tuesday – 25th November, 2014 – 4/5 visit to Werris Creek Hospital; 2015 Leaders Election Speeches

Wednesday – 26th November, 2014 – Senior Citizens Xmas Concert – Bowling & Tennis Club;

Wednesday/ Thursday – 26th, 27th November, 2014 -Intensive Swimming

Monday – 1st December, 2014 – Musical Matinee – 10-00 am start

Monday – Thursday - 1st to 4th December, 2014 – Intensive Swimming

Wednesday – 3rd December, 2014 – Quirindi High School Year 6 Orientation day; School Musical Evening performance

Thursday - 4th December, 2014 – School Musical Evening performance

Friday – 5th December, 2014 -200 Reading night Picnic

Monday – Thursday, 8th to 11th November, 2014 – Intensive Swimming

Tuesday – 9th December, 2014 – Presentation Day

Wednesday – 10th December, 2014 – Year 6 Farewell dinner

Friday – 12th December, 2014 – Infants Christmas Concert

Tuesday – 16th December, 2014 – K-2 Xmas Concert – Werris Creek hospital; Pool Party – 12:00 pm

Wednesday – 17th December, 2014 – Last Day of Term

Taste Day a big Success!

Yesterday was "Taste Day" which runs in line with our Live Life Well Program at school. The children were able to sample different kinds of interesting foods which normally they wouldn't have tried. The banana smoothie, fruit berry crunch and fruit muffins were a great success along with all the food. A big thank you must go out to the ladies in the canteen who prepared all this food either at home or at school that day. Starting today it looks like we are going to be selling some of these foods in the canteen.
Canteen Helpers – For Term 4. A roster was sent out last term. If you are willing to assist in the Canteen in Term 4 please note your preferred days/ dates on it and return to the school office or, alternatively, contact Karen Holloway to have your name noted. If we do not get assistance we will need to look at closing the canteen on days not filled.

New Items - After our Taster Day the following will be added to the morning tea menu: Yogurt Berry Crunch (80c) – Wednesday item; Banana Smoothie (50c) – Friday item. On other days we will also be selling salad wraps (80c). More to come.

Horse Sports Raffle tickets – Tickets were sent home at the end of last term. Tickets and money are due back by Thursday 23.10.14. If you require additional tickets in the raffle to sell please collect these from the school office.

An additional raffle prize of a Sports Cam 1080 has been donated by Pacific National Rail for the above mentioned fundraiser.

Werris Creek Public School Horse Sports – 24th October, 2014

We require assistance for this day to run smoothly. No experience is required unless you wish to be a red coat rider. Please contact Kylie MacBeth on 0410 545 165 if you are available to assist in any way.

Upcoming Events - 21st November – School Twilight Fete

Year Six Farewell Dinner – A letter has gone out to Year 5 parents seeking helpers to assist with catering on the night.

Year 2/3 – Term 4, 2014

Welcome back to another great term in 2/3. As you will know Term 4 is always busy and that is just the way we like it. We have started a number of new things in our class this term and the kids are embracing them with great gusto. These have included weekly Talking Points and we are a trial class for our new Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation program.

This week we are working on multiplication facts, doing soccer for sport and had a great visit with Healthy Harold yesterday afternoon. We have also started practicing for our school performance of Joseph.

Mrs Courtney Lyon
State Athletics

Last week I travelled to Sydney Olympic Stadium for State Athletics. I competed against 39 girls from all over NSW in my high jump section. It was raining and at times there was even hail. It was really cold.

I achieved a competition PB of 1.20m.

The girls that I was competing against do a lot of training with little A’s. My trainer is my brother, and we work great as a team. I wouldn’t have been able to go to state athletics if it wasn’t for him helping me.

I met a couple of girls named Alisa, Hannah, and Rhiannon.

If I had come 1st, 2nd or 3rd I would have been travelling back to Tasmania for Nationals where I had a holiday this year.

It was one of the best experiences of my life, because no one in my family has ever made it to State before.

By Janie Gillies

ISHE - 2014

Our school Equestrian team attended the Inter-schools Horse Extravaganza (ISHE) at the AELEC on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Saturday consisted of Sporting; Sunday there were 8 Ring events followed by Sporting Monday Show Jumping and Dressage. The children marched in a grand parade on Saturday night.

Tom Moore received broad sashes for Reserve Champion Boy rider 9 yrs and under & Reserve Highest Point Score Sporting Boys 9 yrs and under. He also received 3 first place ribbons; 2 x 2nd; a third and two fourth place ribbons.

Pip received a 2nd and 4th place ribbon along with 5 fifth place ribbons.

All riders rode well. Jayden, Georgia and Tom jumped well. Jayden also completed two dressage tests.
Werris Creek Preschool

Families thinking of enrolling in preschool for 2015 are invited to a ‘Come and Try’ morning Tuesday 28th Oct from 10.00-11.30 am. RSVP to Julia 67687004 or email wcpresch@bigpond.net.au

Werris Creek Swimming Club Registration/Information Days

Saturday 25th October at 12pm – 2.30pm
Saturday, 1st November at 11.30pm – 2.30pm

at the Werris Creek Club House.

Swimming Assessments for Learn to Swim (children and adults) as well as swim squads and people with special needs

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Season Commences on Monday afternoon 3rd November at 4.30pm.

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Breast Cancer Pink Morning Tea

Friday 24th October

In store from 10 am

Cost is $10 per person

Large Coffee, Cuppa or Hot Chocolate, Cake and your Donation

Lucky Door prize

Call in for a chat and a catch up, no bookings required.

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