We hope you like our new look Contact. We hope that the new cover will help you locate the newsletter as it is still our main point of contact for what's happening at school. I would like to thank Joshua Saul Electrical and Brett Roach Plumbing for sponsoring the cover.

Last week Warren Brown finished our Reconciliation Garden located at the Anzac Parade entry. The initial phase of this garden was completed with the painting of the poles late last year following the removal of the big trees.

On Wednesday the 3-6 Speech Competition was held in the Hall. Mr Robert Lewis was the adjudicator and had a very tough job choosing the first and second placegetters. Congratulations to Jasmine Verrall (Stage 2) and Hayley Morris (Stage 3) who came first and to Jack Woods (Stage 2) and Shona Hughes (Stage 3) who came second. We will look forward to hearing how Jasmine and Hayley get on at the Multicultural Competition in Tamworth on the 22nd June.

In New South Wales it is compulsory for all children to attend school. Once the Attendance Rolls are marked at school families of children who are absent will usually receive a text message. A response giving a reason for the absence means parents do not need to provide a written note. You may also phone the school to notify if your child is absent.

Did you know? - If a student misses as little as 8 days of school a term, by the end of primary school they will have missed over a year of school.

If you would like to volunteer at school we are always looking for people who can give some time to listen to children read or to help in the canteen. It costs nothing and can be very rewarding. You just need to register for a Working With Children check through the RMS

Leonie Byrne.
AWARDS

Class Merit Certificates
Kinder Lilli-Lee Bull; Zaine McKay
1 Jarvis Doak; Brooke Jones
2 Adam Patton; Charlie Cunningham
3/4 Emily Daw; Hayley Grogan
5/6 Josey Bizant; Oliver Wilson
Library Darcy Lyon; Oliver Wilson

Principal’s Awards (5 Slips)
Kyarnna Griffiths, Adam Patton

Citizenship Award (10 Slips)
Level ‘A’
Ella Saunders; Lilly Cope

PBL Badge Award (15 Slips)

Expectation of the Week: Be a good sport – take turns; show sportsmanlike behaviour

Points of Interest

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AWARDS

Principal: Leonie Byrne  Assist. Principal: Deanne Wand
Administration Manager: Helen Schumann  Administration Officer: Kaye Beaton

Home Reading Awards

Kalahni Daley (25), Sophie Davis (25), Molly Arnold (25); Shona Hughes (25, 50, 75,100); Sara Ryan (50)

‘Adamoriginal’
A performance of ‘Adamoriginal’ is being hosted by the school on Monday 20th July, 2015. Presented by Adam, an aboriginal artist who works as a professional exhibiting painter, graphic artist and cartoonist, it is an original, humourous, highly energetic programme of song, puppetry, language, personal stories and Yidaki (didgeridoo).
Cost for this performance will be $4 per child. Please forward this in to your child’s class teacher by Friday, 26th June, 2015.
Debating at Quirindi Public School

The debating team travelled to Quirindi Public School last week to take part in what turned out to be a very close debate. The topic was ‘That parents should be banned from smacking their children’ with Werris Creek taking the negative response again. Luke’s very clever slogan: “Smack! Whack! Don’t be Slack!” was very effective. The opposing team had some really powerful arguments and we lost by a fraction…….

Miss Tomlinson

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: We will continue to update & advertise these dates Term 2

Thursday, 18th June, 2015 – Souths Cares Oral health Program Visit (QPS); Punk Rock Disco

Friday, 19th June, 2015 – Parent/Teacher Interviews – Year 5/6; NRL Visit

Monday, 22nd June, 2015 – Public Speaking Finals– Tamworth South Public School; Parent/ Teacher Interviews – Year 2

Tuesday, 23rd June, 2015 – Year 2 Hospital visit; Parent/ Teacher Interviews – Year 1

Wednesday, 24th June, 2015 - Parent/ Teacher Interviews – Year 3/4

Friday 26th June, 2015 – Athletics Carnival

Term 3

Monday, 13th July, 2015 – Staff Development Day

Tuesday, 14th July, 2015 – Students Resume

Monday, 20th July, 2015 – Young Australia Workshop ‘Adamriginal’

Year 3/4

Students have been working hard through Units 11 to 16 for Spelling, Maths and Homework. They have also pursued a Maths Unit on Addition and Subtraction, Mass and Chance. Year 3/4 have learnt more songs, including Dum Dum Diddle, Minuet in G and Lovers Concerto where we have studied musical form. Students are continuing with Persuasive Text, featuring ‘Should Children have a set Bedtime” and a Public Speaking item. Year 3/4 are continuing their study of British Colonization of Australia starting Captain Cook.

P and C News/Community News

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P & C Meeting – Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, 11th June, 2015 at 1:00 pm.
Canteen – Helpers are being called for to assist in the canteen. If you are able to assist please contact Tara Hughes on 0409 288 007.
Treasurer’s Position – The P&C are seeking interested persons to apply for the position of P&C Treasurer. If you would like further information or to apply in writing for this position please contact Ally Patterson on 0437 306 344.
Athletics Carnival Lunch Pre-Order Form – Attached please find a lunch pre-order form for the Athletics Carnival. Please complete and return to school, with money owing, by Friday 19th June, 2015 to enable ordering for the day to be completed by the P & C.

Unavailable this week – Please be advised that flavoured milks will be unavailable for purchase this week as the milkman is unable to supply them.