



Newsletter

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TERM 3 WEEK 7 Wednesday 5th September 2018

Dear Parents

On Saturday morning, after months of counting down the days, our Year 5/6 students boarded the bus headed to Canberra. Their itinerary is jam packed full of activities and if the photos that have been sent to us are any indication, they are having an absolute ball! Today will certainly be a highlight, with students visiting Lanyon Homestead before heading to the National Zoo and Aquarium.

Drought Wellbeing Initiative

Thank you to all of our wonderful families who so generously sent in items for our Drought Wellbeing Initiative. The response was overwhelming! These goods, along with letters of good wishes from our students, have now been passed over to our Parish who will organise the delivery of the goods to the Walgett Parish.

Book Fair

Thank you to all the families who supported this year's bookfair. Despite the books arriving late and cutting our fair short, it was still a wonderful success. Thank you Karen for your organisation and running of this event.

Student readers

The school is missing a large number of student readers. Could parents please check carefully at home and send back any readers that may have snuck into cupboards or under beds.

Assembly

Our next school assembly will be held next Wednesday 12th September from 2:30pm with 1/2 & 5/6 presenting. Our students love to see you all there!

NAPLAN

The NAPLAN information for this year will be sent home to parents when Sharon returns from the Canberra excursion.

Sports Star Day

On Wednesday 19th September the P&F will be holding a Sports Star Day. Students are invited to come to school dressed as their favorite Sports person. There will be a hot lunch available to purchase. Order forms will be sent home in the next few days.

We are looking for volunteers to help with the preparation of lunch on the day. If you can spare some time from 12pm, please contact the front office.

Whooping Cough

We have had a number of confirmed cases of Whooping Cough reported to the school. At least one of these students has not shown classic symptoms of this illness. Please monitor your children carefully and consult your GP if your child exhibits symptoms. For further information go to:

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/whoopingcough/Pages/Information-for-childcare-and-schools.aspx>

Duval Dam Buster

The Inaugural Duval Dam Buster will be held on Sunday 23rd September. There will be a 2.5, 15 & 30k trail run. More information can be found at www.facebook.com/duvaldambuster or www.duvaldambuster.com.au

Hockey Development Clinic

Hockey NSW & Hockey New England will be holding an Under 11, 13 & 15yrs Hockey development clinic on Tuesday 9th & Wednesday 10th October at The Den, Armidale High School. For more information contact Greg Doolan 0419258463 or email greg.d@hockeynsw.com.au
 To register, please visit:
<https://www.hockeynsw.com.au/eventsregister/24523/>

Attendance

It is a legal requirement that students attend school on every school day throughout the year. It is essential that every absence be explained either in writing or by phone. Perhaps the most efficient way to deal with this requirement is to email or call the school early on the day of your child's absence. The school will then take care of all paperwork. If you know your child will be absent you can notify the school in advance. In an effort to minimize outstanding notes, we may email, text or call you in regards to your child's absence. Absentee notes or verbal notification of absences should be given directly to Simone in the front office. Please also ensure that if your child arrives late or leaves early that you stop by the front office and sign them in or out. We thank you for your assistance in this matter.

School Fees

I would like to remind parents that school fees are now due. Your prompt attention to this matter would be greatly appreciated. Please remember that Transition enrolment is conditional upon all fees being kept up to date. It is expected that all Transition Fees will be paid up by the end of Week 5, or a direct debit set in place. We are able to offer a weekly, fortnightly or monthly direct debit payment option to all parents. Please contact the office if you would like to set a payment plan up.

Yours Sincerely
 Sharon Wittig
 Principal

Hot Lunch Roster

Morning - volunteer needed
Afternoon - Bernadette Jackson

Hello God,

When spring comes everything
 seems to wake up.



The trees send out new buds,
 seeds start to shoot and
 crops begin to grow.



This is the time when new birds
 and animals are born.

It's great to have warm days again.
 Thank you for the beautiful time of spring.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Saturday 1st - Friday 7th September 2018
 Year 5/6 Excursion to Canberra

Wednesday 12th September 2018
 Assembly 1/2 and 5/6 presenting

Wednesday 19th September 2018
 Sports Star dress up

Wednesday 19th September 2018 - 7pm
 School Advisory Council meeting

Sunday 23rd September 2018 - 9am Mass
 Enrolment for Reconciliation

Tuesday 25th September 2018
 UNE Discovery Van

Friday 28th September 2018
 Last day for Term 3

Monday 15th October 2018
 Students return for Term 4

Wednesday 17th October 2018 - 6pm
 P&F Meeting

Wednesday 31st October 2018
 Brain Olympia



Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Guyra (every Saturday)	6pm
1st Sunday of the month	Ben Lomond 9am
2nd Sunday	Guyra 9am
3rd Sunday	Wards Mistake 9am
4th Sunday	Guyra 9am



Good News



Transition

Oskar Laing for his great pencil grip and number tracing.
Charlie Bavea for her eager participation and great soccer skills.
Peter Grills for taking turns and showing patience during class games.

Kindergarten

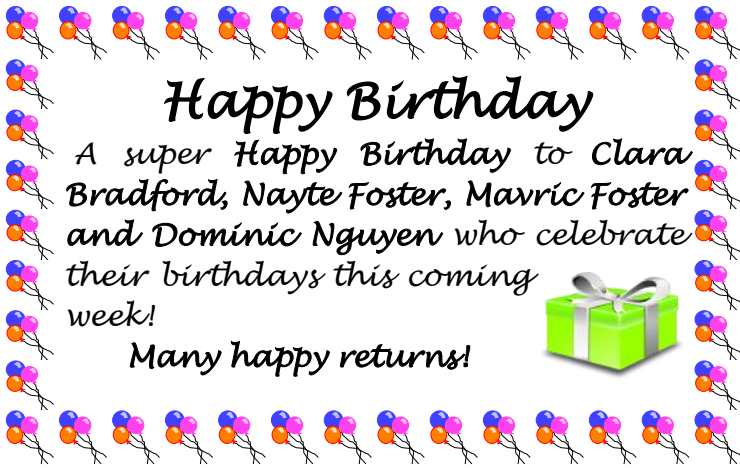
Saxon Bray for excellent maths work with his hands.
Sharnahleah Bishop for hard work and cooperation.
Catie Purphy for contribution to class discussion.

1/2

Jack Wesley for always challenging himself during Mathematics. Keep it up **Jack!**
Freya Bray for her excellent writing on how Fairy Floss is made.
Kasper Mayled for the focus and concentration he dedicates to all his learning tasks.
Tom Graham for the enthusiastic way he embraces all new mathematical concepts.

3/4

Lily McFarlane is making great choices with her learning. She is on task and always grateful of any help given to her to add quality to her work. Well done **Lily!**
Logan Mendes is a happy student in our class that puts in a tremendous effort into all set task. Well done **Logan!**
Dominic Nguyen is a positive mathematician. He is using fantastic mathematical language with his math group.
Ethan Wilson is working on task during Literacy rotations. He is a happy member in our class and a good friend to all. Well done **Ethan!**



Happy Birthday

A super Happy Birthday to Clara Bradford, Nayte Foster, Mavric Foster and Dominic Nguyen who celebrate their birthdays this coming week!

Many happy returns!



Industry & Investment



Kids' fishing workshop



Kids 8-14 years old are invited to come and learn to fish safely and responsibly. Instructors are experienced volunteers and staff from Industry & Investment NSW. The day runs from 9am-1pm and involves fishing techniques, bag & size limits, fish handling for catch & release.

COST: \$40 PER CHILD, and includes rod & reel combination, shirt, hat, tackle box and show bag — all to take home!

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL. Maximum 25 participants.

GUYRA TROUTFEST

LOCATION: Mother of Ducks Lagoon, Guyra

DATE: 29th of September 2018

BOOKING CLOSE: 21st September 2018

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PJ's Day

Last Friday Mini Vinnies held a PJ Day and Disco. Our students enjoyed games and dancing with all of their friends!



On Thursday 23rd August, our Year 6 Students, attended the STEP day at O'Connor Catholic College, Armidale. STEP stands for Stage Three Enrichment Program and is used to make the transition to High School smoother for students. On the day, students participated in five exciting rotations demonstrating Science experiments and Music/Drama activities. Students learnt about chemical reactions, infectious diseases, electricity, forces and wind turbines. In music, they played a variety of music and drama games designed to teach teamwork. Year 6 students from all the feeder schools for O'Connor participated with over 100 students mixing and making new friends.



HAVING A BALL IN CANBERRA!

