PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Term 4 Week 2

KINDER SMILES/KINDER ORIENTATION
Today we had our Kinder “Come and Try” morning. Seven new kinder students joined us this morning for a taste of what “big” school will be like next year. We hope that all the students had a fabulous morning and we look forward to seeing them again when our Kinder Smiles program commences. If you know of anyone who has a child starting Kindergarten next year and would like some more information on our school, please have them contact the office. Can I also remind parents that our Kinder Orientation morning will be held in the library at school on Wednesday 22nd October from 9.10 – 10.10. This is an opportunity to new and existing parent to meet each other and learn about the school systems and structures and ask any questions they may have about their child beginning Kindergarten in 2015. We look forward to seeing you all there.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT 2016
Selective High School Applications for students starting High School in 2016 must be completed between October 14 2014 and November 17 2014. If any parents are interested in their child applying for a Selective High School, please see Mrs Barnett in the office for an Information Package.

FAMILY ENERGY REBATE
The Family Energy Rebate is one of a number of NSW Government energy assistance programs to help eligible households reduce the impact of electricity costs.
The busy holiday period is fast approaching and there is usually a lot to do between now and December. Applying for this year’s rebate soon could support family households budgeting for the holidays. It takes just two minutes to apply online and once submitted the rebate application begins processing. Applying online can also be done from mobile, internet-enabled devices including smartphones and tablets.
If you are interested in applying for the Family Energy Rebate, please collect an information flyer from the school office.

CALENDAR

OCTOBER
20th – Book Club Due
27th – Grandparents Morning Tea

NOVEMBER
3rd – Wallabadah Horse Sports
17/28th – Intensive Swimming (whole school)
19th – P&C Meeting

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SCHOOL SPECTACULAR

Hannah Watts – a wonderful Power Point about the “Animals at Captain’s Creek”

Sophie Colquhoun – some great card tricks and a demonstration of finger knitting and loom bands.

Kira-Lee Moore – an excellent recital of “The Dark, Dark”.

Gus Sevil – an outstanding piano performance of “Laughing Chimpanzee” and “Slippery Slide”.

CLASS AWARDS

3/4/5/6
Dominic Hyde – an excellent start to Term 4. It’s great to see you showing some pride in your work. Well Done Dominic!!

Sam Avard – great participation in Maths exploring the relationship between Volume and Mass.

MISS BALE’S AWARDS

Tara Barwick – Excellent description of Aunt Sponge & Spike.

Hayley Fowler – Great effort in HSGE

SPORT’S AWARD

Hannah Watts – Playing fair in Tribes & Territories

QUIRINDI HORSE SPORTS

Team Willow Tree was out in full force on Monday as Bridget, Billy and Zara joined in with over 80 other riders to participate at the Quirindi Public School Horse Sports Day. Bridget came out on her horse “Dimples” with guns blazing, placing in the hack events and cleaning up in her sporting events and being awarded the 8yr girl Champion. What an outstanding effort Bridget! Billy rode a relatively new horse to him, “Cobby”. Billy rode confidently all day taking home many ribbons and was awarded the encouragement award for the 11yr old boys! Yay Billy!

Zara started her day in green style on new horse, “Ode’ winning her 12yr girl riding class allowing her to compete in the overall junior girls champion rider class. Zara rode off fc reserve champion and just missed out. Zara also brought home many ribbons Congratulations to all the riders who represented our school outstandingly.
RUGBY LEAGUE SKILLS CLINIC
Last Friday a representative from the NRL came to our school to run through some ball skills with the students. Some skills were challenging but lots of fun was had by everyone. Thank you to the NRL for the opportunity for our students to participate in this clinic.

GRANDPARENTS & SPECIAL FRIENDS – MORNING TEA
Don’t forget our students will be hosting a special “Grandparents” morning on Monday 27th October. Grandparents and special friends are invited to attend the morning commencing at 10.30am with open classrooms, 11.10am Morning Tea & 11.40am entertainment by the students. So grab the phone and invite your Nan’s & Pop’s, Ma & Pa’s, Grandma’s & Grandpa’s and invite them along to share in a wonderful morning.

SCHOOL SWIMMING PROGRAM
This year it has been decided to incorporate our intensive swimming program with the whole school. Students will travel to Quirindi Pool each day commencing on Monday 17th November and ending on Friday 28th November. Families can start paying off the swimming program at the office however; full payment is to be made by Monday 10th November 2014. Please complete the permission note that was sent home last term and return to the office ASAP.

LUNCH BOX IDEAS
Kids tired of the same old sandwiches for lunch each day? School A to Z’s Lunchbox section has some fresh ideas to help busy parents add some healthy, fresh variety to school lunches. http://bit.ly/gsfDOE

BOOK CLUB DUE
Book club order forms were sent home last week; please make sure all orders are returned to school together with payment by Monday 20th October. Please note this is the last book club order for 2014.

CANTEEN
Mon 20th October – Jodie Martin
Wed 22nd October – Caroline Sevil

The canteen is looking for volunteers to fill the roster for Term 4. If you are able to help, please fill in the roster enclosed in this week’s newsletter and return to the office or contact Jacinda Moore 0438 138065

SCHOOL SPECTACULAR ASSEMBLY
Term 4 – Week 3
Cody T, Emily, Jasmine & Brad

QUIRINDI SWIMMING CLUB’S 2014/2015
Registration/Information days for Quirindi Swimming Club will be held at the pool from 10am Saturday 25th October Saturday 1st November

Grading day will be held on Saturday 1st November at the pool from 10am, bring your children along with their swimming gear so the club can work out squads ready for commencement from Monday 3rd November

QUIRINDI JUNIOR CRICKET
Quirindi Junior Cricket begins this coming weekend Saturday 18th October at the number 2 oval in Quirindi. Further information please call Scott Chambers 0427476261
WALLABADAH ANGLICAN GUILD FLOWER SHOW
Saturday, 25th October 2014
11am – Wallabadah Hall

Morning Tea, Barbeque Lunch, Stalls, Displays
Entertainment by Miss Melissa’s Music Group 11.30-12.30
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