



2 September, 2013

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DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

5th September

Public Speaking Finals

6th September

P&C Disco - School Hall
Handball Finals

9th September

P&C Meeting

9-11th September

Canberra Excursion

13th September

Fun Run

P&C Raffle/Disco

20th September

Last day of school

8th October

Term 4 - students return
to school

BOOK FAIR/PARADE



What an amazing time was had at the book fair and parade last week. I was so impressed to see so many students dressed in their favourite book characters and was overwhelmed by the community involvement and appreciation. I have been stopped and thanked for providing a wonderful day for the school community and am truly humbled by the support shown.

The day was so successful with our book fair raising funds for new resources for the library. Our fundraiser of the guessing competition for the iPad and book prizes was a massive success. Thanks to the generosity of our community we have raised enough funds to purchase more iPads for the school.

Congratulations to the winners and thank you to everyone who supported the school.

Miss Craig

Teacher Librarian



This issue:

Book Fair/Parade

"Joffa"

Australiana

Pioneer Village

2014 Kindergarten

Enrolments

Public Speaking Finals

Canberra Excursion





PBL LUCKY DRAW

Term 3

Week 6

Infants -Jessica

Frankland-Shambler

Primary- Kaitlin Mitchell

Week 7

Infants - Dylan Enright

Primary-Sharna Appleyard

PBL PAWS BADGES

Congratulations to the following students:-

Rai Berry

Ebony Fernance

Laura Fogg

Maycee Page

Mitchell Brown

Kalob Hasler

Joel Lucas

PUBLIC SPEAKING FINALS

We would like to congratulate the following students who have been selected as Finalists in the Abermain Public School first ever Public Speaking Competition. We wish them all the best for the Finals.

Infants

Madison Hall, Riley Fernance, Lara Robertson, Emily-Cate Allaway, Dylan Enright, Travis Haynes, Eliza Lantry, Amarli Wanasinghagee, Cooper Follan, Finlay Page, Olivia Reading

Primary

Tiffani Musgrave, Emmie Stothard, Kaitlin Mitchell, Zac Humphreys, Grace Bennett, Breanna Bunn, Samuel Davies, Ebonie Fernance, Delani Leigh, Matthew Brown, Nicholas Turkington, Felicity Hodgins, Joel Lucas, Grace Frankland-Shambler, Adam Osborne

The Finals will be held in the school hall on **Thursday, September 5**, with the Infants Final starting at 10.15 and the Primary Final starting at midday. All members of the Abermain community are welcome to join us for these special events

*Mrs Roberson
Teacher*

CANBERRA EXCURSION

Year 5 and Year 6 students are getting very excited now as our Canberra trip is less than two weeks away! Staff are very busy finalising all the important details and arrangements that are needed to make an excursion like this possible. Parents and carers can support the school with these last minute plans by:

- urgently finalising any outstanding payments
- returning both yellow forms - (Medical/Diet Information and Emergency Contact Details)
- sending \$10 in a labelled envelope for dinner on Wednesday (11/9/13)
- ensuring that your child only packs the items that staff have listed on the "What to Pack" list

While students are looking forward to their trip, many students (and carers) can become anxious before an excursion like this as it is often the first time that students have been away from their family for several nights. Carers can help make this a more relaxing experience for their child(ren) by ensuring that they:

- reassure their child that they can contact home each night
- help their child to pack their own bag using the checklist provided (this ensures that students have everything they need and know where to find it in their bag when they arrive in Canberra)
- notify staff beforehand of ANYTHING that might help make their child's trip more comfortable.

*Mrs Roberson, Mr Power & Mrs Bower
Year 5/6 Teachers*

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C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S

Quality Work Shared with the Principal

<i>Cody Bushell</i>	<i>Lucas Whyburn</i>	<i>Roman Wilson</i>
<i>Cody Lewis</i>	<i>Kaysha Smith</i>	<i>Zealan Love</i>
<i>Jacob Woodbury</i>	<i>Tahlee Roderick</i>	<i>Keiran Bunn</i>
<i>Andrew Passfield</i>	<i>Heath Southeron</i>	<i>Zac Humphries</i>
<i>Kaitlin Mitchell</i>	<i>Bethany Schwager</i>	

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The last week has been a busy time for all classes. Each day when I travel around the classrooms I see students actively engaged in their learning and it has been a real affirmation of our students attitudes to learning to hear how successful our two recent excursions have been. Father's Day activities have gone well with the P&C run Father's Day Stall and the Father's Day Breakfast being very successful. Some of our parents showed great hand ball skills after they had eaten. Special thanks go to Mrs King and Mrs Crossley for organising and cooking breakfast, and also to Pearsons Meats for their continued support.

Over the next couple of weeks students from years 4 to 6 will be taking part in the "Tell Them From Me Survey". This is an online survey which asks students questions about many aspects of their school life and helps give them a say (educationalists refer to this as "student voice") in what is happening at the school and it also helps the school with planning for 2014 and beyond. Mrs Genge will be working through the survey with Stage 2 and Stage 3 classes in the computer lab.

The P&C will meet on the 9th September in the school library at 6pm. All parents are encouraged to come along and join us. Meetings generally last no more than an hour and it is a great way to become involved in your child's

Mr Boughton
Principal

P&C DISCO - "BRIGHT COLOURS/CRAZY HAIR"

The P&C will be holding a school disco on **Friday 6th September, 2013**. The disco will be held in the school hall and we would like to encourage students to wear bright colours and to come with crazy hair.

Time: 5:30pm and 8pm. Cost - gold coin donation

Chips, Drinks and Lollies will be available for purchase on the night

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CANTEEN

OPEN Monday ONLY

More volunteers needed urgently to be able to open the canteen on other days. Please contact the office if you, or someone you know can help in the canteen.

STOP WALK TALK

Our students are to be congratulated on their ability to use Stop, Walk, Talk strategies in our playground.

Keep up the great work!

UNIFORM SHOP

OPEN
MONDAY &
FRIDAY
9am to 9:30am

FUN RUN

We will be holding an *adidas School Fun-Run* as a major fundraising event this year. The event will be held on Friday 13th September within the school grounds.

The *adidas School Fun-Run* is a healthy, fun and active fundraiser that ensures we send the right message to our students about getting active, having fun and maintaining a healthy lifestyle. The main focus of this event is on participation. Family support is most appreciated as we encourage all students to get involved. All students have received a Sponsorship Form to help collect sponsorship on behalf of the school. The funds raised will be used to purchase: **Signage for our school and Ipads for the classrooms.**

We ask all parents to read the Sponsorship Form and sign the front page to grant permission for their child to fundraise and participate in this event. Students who raise just \$10 or more will receive a reward for effort. In the Sponsorship Form you will also find many other benefits like the chance to win a family holiday to Disneyland! Students wanting to train for our event and to receive advice from sporting heroes like Sally Pearson and Jonathan Brown, can do so by logging onto schoolfunrun.com.au/students and clicking on mi adizone.

Finally, we would like to welcome parents and family members to attend the *adidas School Fun-Run* event day at the school on **Friday 13th September** to help cheer on the students. If you would like to volunteer and help out on the day please contact the school on **49304210**

Thank you, good luck and happy fundraising!

Mrs Jarlett
Teacher

MURAL WEEK - "TOWNS WITH HEART"

Student entries in the Kurri Kurri "Town With Heart" Mural Week colouring competition will be on display at Kurri Kurri IGA during September 2013.

2014 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

We are now taking registrations for Kindergarten students who will start school in 2014. Any families who have a child starting Kindergarten in 2014 are asked to contact the School Office on 4930 4210, or come to the office during school hours to register their child for Kindergarten 2014.

A letter detailing Kindergarten Orientation details will be sent home to all registered families during Term 3. Parents will need to ensure they have returned the enrolment form and their child's birth certificate, immunisation certificate and proof of address before Kindergarten Orientation.

USEFUL "APPS"

"Maths Bingo 99c" - This app uses all four operations and has easy, medium and hard levels. Students can select individual modes of operation or can select a mixed operation mode. The object of the game is to get a pattern of five Bingo Bugs in a row by answering maths questions. Students can select their own player profile, which they can use to see how they are progressing or can play as a guest. Great for practice of number facts and to help with fluency of maths facts for all ability levels.

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EXCURSION TO AUSTRALIANA PIONEER VILLAGE

Last week Year 3 and Year 4 students went on an excursion to Australiana Pioneer Village in a town called Wilberforce, south west of Sydney.

The village is full of actual buildings from early European settlement in Australia that have been moved there for us to gain an understanding of what it would have been like to have lived in the early 1800's. The students were amazed at how small the housing was and that more often than not the house consisted of only two rooms, one being an open plan kitchen and dining room and the other being a bedroom. The whole house would have been no bigger than most peoples lounge room today. They learnt that in these very small houses there would often be a family with at least five children. They were shocked to find out that the children slept on the verandahs outside of the dwelling.

They got to see what a police station, post office and bank looked like and that the local barber was also the person who would have stitched you up if you cut yourself. They got to sit in the church and also see the very first slab hut dwelling ever built in Australia called Rose Cottage. The village has been built on the actual grounds of Rose Cottage and it was the only building that was not relocated there.

One of the most interesting parts of the day was when the teachers got to watch the students sit in a classroom from the early 1800's with a teacher who had the expectation of 'children should be seen and not heard' unless they were asked a question. This did create quite a laugh.

The children seemed to really enjoy their day as did the teaching staff and parents who attended. We would like to thank everyone who participated in the day and helped to make it as enjoyable as it was.

*Mrs Jarlett
Teacher*



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LIBRARY NEWS

After the excitement of book week, the library is going back to a more relaxed state, though remains an exciting place to be.

During the year I have been encouraging all students to become lifelong learners through reading. I have been listening to the students interests and am adding to our current collection with titles the students will enjoy. Introducing students to forgotten treasures is always rewarding, as well as new authors. At the moment the books that I can't keep on the shelves due to their popularity are 'Pokemon' based on the cartoon series and 'Pearlie the Fairy' series by Wendy Harmer. See you in the library.

Miss Craig

Teacher Librarian

JOFFA

Respect, perseverance, trying new things, having fun and creating original masterpieces. That's what the students who attended Joffa's workshops learn't during book week. Students were taught the steps to successfully draw their very own original cartoon. The quality of work produced was fantastic and even the teachers got in on the act. Joffa had a fantastic ability to connect with all students and provided humorous conversation for the staff.

Speaking with the students who attended they thoroughly enjoyed the workshops and were so pleased with their newfound skills.

Check out some photos of the day below.



C A N T E E N M E N U

Breakfast from 8.45am – 9.00

Toast with:

Vegemite or Jam	\$.50
Muesli Bars	\$1.00
Fresh Fruit	\$.80
Plain Milk.....	\$1.00
Flavoured Milk.....	\$1.40
Water	\$1.00

Sandwiches & Rolls

Sandwiches (white or wholemeal)

☺Vegemite.....	\$1.50
☺Lite Cheese.....	\$1.60
☺Lite Cheese & Tomato.....	\$1.80
☺Salad	\$3.00
☺Egg & Lettuce (with mayo).....	\$2.50
☺Tomato	\$1.60
❖Chicken/Ham/Tuna.....	\$2.20
❖Chicken/Ham/Tuna Cheese & Tomato	\$2.60
❖ Chicken/Ham/Tuna & Salad	\$3.50

Salad Ingredients: Lettuce, tomato
Beetroot, Cheese, Pineapple

All ingredients given unless specified

Roll extra	\$0.80
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Extras

Tomato Sauce Singles.....	\$0.20
Barbeque Sauce Singles	\$0.30
☺Lite Cheese.....	\$0.40

Hot Food,

Pies & Sausage Rolls

Hot Food

❖Large Pie (Lite).....	\$2.60
❖Party Pie (Lite).....	\$1.60
❖Sausage Roll (Lite).....	\$2.00
❖Hot Dog.....	\$2.00
❖Chicken & Gravy Roll.....	\$2.50
❖Pizza - Ham & Pineapple	\$2.20
❖Pizza - Cheese.....	\$2.20
❖Pizza - Meat Lovers.....	\$2.20
❖Chicken Dino Nuggets (each) ...	\$0.40
❖Chicken Wedges (each).....	\$0.55
❖Chicken Pattie (only) Burger.....	\$2.40
❖Chicken Pattie Burger with Lettuce & Mayo	\$2.80
☺Lasagne.....	\$3.00

Drinks, Deserts & Ice Blocks

Drinks

☺200ml Plain milk	\$1.00
❖Flavoured Milk 250ml.....	\$1.40
❖Playfruit Water 350ml.....	\$2.00
☺Water 600ml.....	\$1.00
❖Poppers	\$1.00
❖Slushies	\$2.00

Ice Blocks

❖Jelly Sticks.....	\$0.20
❖Safari Pop	\$0.20
❖Dixie Cups	\$1.00
❖Moosies.....	\$1.40
❖Billabongs.....	\$1.40
❖Frozen Yogurt	\$1.40
❖Juicies(frozen juice)	\$0.50
❖Ice Pole	\$1.00

Snacks

❖Muffins (Choc Chip Lite).....	\$1.00
❖Honey Soy.....	\$1.00
❖JJ's (Chicken/Pizza/Salt&Vinegar)	\$1.00
❖Choc Chip Cookies.....	\$1.00
❖Monster Noodles	\$1.00
❖Finger Bun.....	\$1.00

☺ Food items with this symbol are
"GREEN" foods & are highly
recommended

Currently the Canteen is open

only on **Monday**

8:45AM-9:15AM FOR LUNCH ORDERS ONLY
OPEN DURING LUNCH 11:30AM-12:00PM

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