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Week 3 – Term 2

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

## DIARY DATES

### MAY

Thurs 17

NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5

Wed 30

Canteen & P&C Meeting 12pm

### JUNE

Sat 2

Scottish Festival



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are one of the schools piloting NAPLAN online. Year 3 and Year 5 students are completing the assessments over the next two weeks via the online format, except for Year 3 writing. ACARA aims to further refine the delivery of the tests to best use the available technology to provide increasingly sophisticated assessments and valuable feedback to teachers, parents and education authorities.

I think it is timely to reflect on education and what we want for our children. While assessment is an integral part of instruction, as it determines whether the goals of education are being met, it is time we considered striking a better balance between knowledge acquisition and personal development for our children.

We need to put considerable value in promoting underlying attributes associated with being well prepared for life, such as **creativity, persistence, and the ability to communicate and collaborate.**

Research has consistently demonstrated the value of spending time in enrichment activities for developing a broader set of skills and interests. We want to develop well-rounded students who can achieve their goals, and well-rounded students need a well-rounded education. Encourage your children to 'have a go' and challenge themselves.

*'Our very survival depends on our ability to stay awake, to adjust to new ideas, to remain vigilant and to face the challenge of change.'* -Martin Luther King Jr.

Regards,  
Kylie Seaman  
Principal

## COLES VOUCHERS

If you have found any Coles Vouchers at home please feel free to send them into the front office. We are sending the last of our vouchers away at the end of this week.

## PSSA NETBALL KNOCKOUT

The Wingham Brush Girls were narrowly defeated by Wingham Public School 10-8 in the first round of the PSSA knockout. The girls demonstrated excellent sportsmanship and teamwork.



## ZONE CROSS COUNTRY

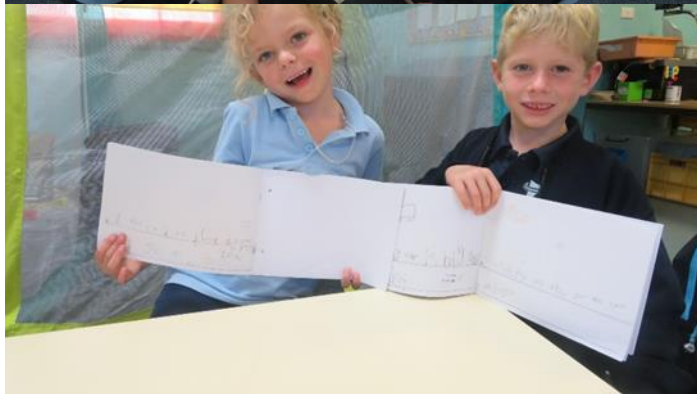
32 students from Wingham Brush participated at the Zone Cross Country in Week 1. All students put in a tremendous effort. Our best results were in the 11yrs Boys with Hayne Dawson finishing 7th and 12yrs Girls with Pia Anker finishing 20th. Well done to all participants.



## IN THE CLASSROOM

### KB

KB have had a great start to Term 2. Developing independence in group work has been a big focus. We are continuing to learn all the letter sounds and sight words that we need for reading and writing. We have also been learning to write sentences independently. This includes reading our sentence to a partner or teacher to check it has all the words that we need, and having a capital letter and punctuation.



We enjoyed our very first primary school excursion to Billabong Zoo and had lots of fun learning about all the animals. In class, we will be learning more about the spotted quoll and why it is endangered.

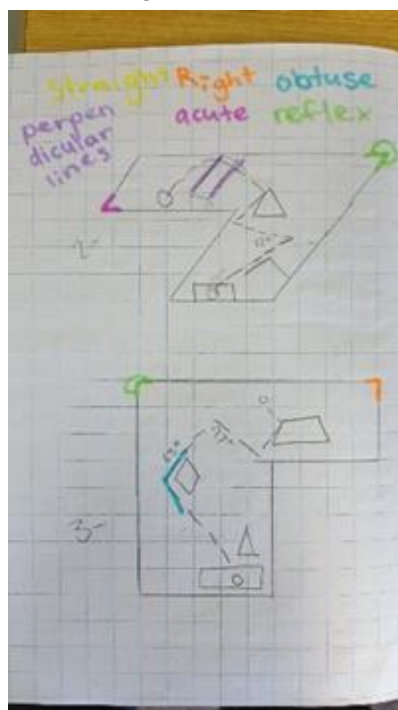


### 5/6B

In 5/6B, there has been a buzz of excitement since the introduction of a new project, known as Genius Hour. Students will choose, explore and research a topic they are passionate about. Just about anything goes, ideas ranging from beauty product safety, the art and history of Calligraphy, how to prepare for a motorbike race and even how to create musical instruments out of recycled materials. Students will choose how they will present their learning but they must create something to show.

In Literacy we have been learning how to create interesting writing by varying our sentences, and hooking our readers' interest with a sizzling start.

Math has seen 5/6B learn about perimeter, length and why we use different measurement lengths. We have also been learning about angles and students designed a pro mini-golf course that had all the different angle types.





## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to the students who were awarded age champions at our presentation that was held yesterday.

**Jnr Girls:** Ellie Dawes

**Jnr Boys:** Jonathan Bell North

**11yrs Girls:** Aliesha Bell

**11yrs Boys:** Hayne Dawson

**Snr Girls:** Hayley Murray

**Snr Boys:** Adam Tull

**Our champion house for 2018:** Finches

Well done to all staff, students and parent helpers on a fantastic carnival.

## P&C

### Mother's Day Raffle Prize Winners

A big thank you to everyone who purchased tickets in our Mother's Day raffle. The winners were:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize Bonnie Macdonald

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Zoran Mitchell

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Eva Jenkins

4<sup>th</sup> Prize Jacob Lamey



## CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS ROSTER

### MAY

Thurs 17	C McGilvray	H Jessup
Fri 18	R Green	M Mills
Mon 21	<b>CLOSED</b>	
Tues 22	<b>CLOSED</b>	
Wed 23	S Deacon	
Thurs 24	C McGilvray	H Jessup
Fri 25	R Green	M Mills
Mon 28	<b>CLOSED</b>	
Tues 29	<b>CLOSED</b>	
Wed 30	S Deacon	

## SCOTTISH FESTIVAL

The Scottish Festival is coming up very quickly - Saturday June 2. This is a major fundraiser for our school. We would LOVE your help. We are attempting to raise a huge \$60000 to purchase a new basketball court surface which is very much in need of a facelift.

We sent out a Scottish Festival Recipe guide last week. If we could get as many people as possible to make at least one item of food for us to sell at our stall from this guide it will help us immensely. If you have a special recipe you love to cook that would be wonderful too (please ensure you include an ingredients list with donation). All food donations can be left at the school canteen on Friday June 1 or dropped to the stall on Saturday morning.

On this letter there was also a note of times available to help on the day. We are looking for bbq cooks, food sellers and pack up and set up helpers. If you have even 30 mins of time to spare we would appreciate your time as we currently have a limited amount of helpers.

The Wingham Brush P and C has been gathering voucher donations to hold a raffle at the Scottish Festival. We will give all our Wingham Brush School parents and carers first chance to purchase raffle tickets before the Scottish Festival. So keep an eye out for details next week.

We are extremely excited about this and we hope we can raise a huge amount of money to go towards the basketball court surface upgrade.

If you have any questions about the day or upcoming raffle please check out our P&C facebook page for updates (Wingham Brush Public School P + C ) or contact Helen Jessup our P&C Secretary on 0432 577 848 who would be happy to help.

Please remember we can't do this without your help and this will benefit all our children.

## BEEF WEEK 2018

My favourite part of Beef Week is when we got to do a virtual reality in a big bus. First we had to walk to the Wingham High agricultural farm. We got split into groups and we were then taken to activities to learn about cows and beef. My most favourite part was definitely the virtual reality bus. First we had to put the goggles and headphones on. I thought it was really cool how realistic it was. It started off with a lady talking about cows. After



that we were in a helicopter and it was kind of scary because we were so high in the air. We were going to all different places like the farm and the abattoirs. It was such a fun experience not only to do virtual reality but to actually go to the agricultural farm and learn about cows and beef. By Pia

On Monday May 14 the Year 6 students from the area ventured down to the Agricultural Farm at Wingham High for the beginning of Beef Week. In my perspective as a student it was an awesome day with heaps of fun activities like judging and parading, virtual reality, washing the steers and more. My personal favourite was the virtual reality bus. You needed to wipe your face and then thoroughly wipe your feet before you walked in. The mask showed the whole procedure of a cow going from paddock to plate. The High School also provided sausage sandwiches for everyone. All up it was just a fun day!  
By Sienna

Beef Week was so exciting. We got to meet other kids that might be at our High School next year. My favourite part was the virtual learning where you put on headphones and a headset and you learn about cattle and what happens when you look after them. We learnt about the crush, judging cattle, the tractor, poultry and the bottom and top farm at Wingham High School. I had a fun exciting experience at Beef Week.  
By Adelina



## BILLABONG ZOO VISIT

On Tuesday May 8 students from K-2 visited the Billabong Zoo as a culmination of their Science unit 'Staying Alive' and 'Watch it Grow.'



## COMMUNITY NEWS

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