Another Term Gone

As is usual, it has been a packed term that has swiftly come to an end. Students have certainly packed a great deal into the 10 weeks. Students certainly made some great achievements throughout this term. Tomorrow we will have our spelling bee champions competing in the regional final at Quirindi Public School. Good luck Lindsey, Charlie, Matilda and Jessy-Lee.

Next term I will be running workshops for all people who volunteer in the school. This includes P&C and community members who currently volunteer or would like to volunteer in the school. We appreciate the contribution that our volunteers make to the education of the children in our community, the additional experiences and knowledge they bring with them to share with students certainly broadens the scope of learning. As a school, we have certain requirements that need to be adhered to. As we are lucky enough to have so many volunteers, we do need to update everyone on child protection issues, confidentiality, privacy and working with the children. This course will be run once every term. All volunteers will need to take part in the course once every 12 months. There are regular updates of information that need to be disseminated. It is also a

Calendar-2015

September
Friday 11th 3/4/5/6 to I Am Jack and Skating
Saturday 12th Nundle Preschool Prawn and Chicken Night
Monday 14th Nundle V Nundle Debate
Tuesday 15th Moonbi School here-KTGTKA
Thursday 17th Nundle Public Movie Premier 7pm
Friday 18th Last Day Term 3

October
Tuesday 6th First Day Term 4
Thursday 8th School Course for all people volunteering at NPS-7.30pm to 8.30pm
Monday 12th P&C Meeting
Thursday 15th Transition
Monday 19th to Wednesday 21st inclusive 5/6 Aussie Bush Camp Tea Gardens
Thursday 22nd Australian History live performance Transition
Monday 26th to Wednesday 28th inclusive 3/4 Lake Keepit Excursion
Tuesday 27th Pet Visit K/1/2
Thursday 29th Friday 30th Filming of movie Transition

November
Thursday 5th Transition
Monday 30th Intensive Swimming starts

December
Wednesday 9th Presentation Night 7pm
Monday 14th Reports to parents
Tuesday 15th Year 6 Farewell-6.30pm
Wednesday 16th Last Day Excursion-Whole School
Thursday 17th Parent/teacher interviews
good chance for volunteers to come together, meet each other and offer their suggestions as to how we can continue to improve outcomes for our students. The first workshop will take place on Thursday 8\textsuperscript{th} October at 7.30pm in the 5/6 room. It will run for approximately 1 hour. There will be food supplied.

Parents will receive school survey forms this week. We put these surveys out at the end of term 1 and term 3. The information that you give us is invaluable in helping to improve the school. We value all of the feedback. It is great to receive both positive and constructive feedback from parents. The surveys are reviewed by the staff as a whole and decisions made about possible changes or additions to the curriculum or school environment that may better meet the needs of students.

Next term will again be very busy. Students will be filming their movie, taking part in intensive swimming, the year 6 farewell, year 5 speeches for 2016 captains, reports, excursions along with all of the standard activities that take place. Unfortunately I’m sure that the year will be over before we know it.

Ian Worley
Principal

5/6 Class Report

By Erica Eather and Charlie Jones

During these two weeks, our class has been writing, learning or reviewing our times-tables, discovering more galaxies, painting and sketching beautiful artworks (and they really do look pretty!), playing tennis plus watching the Senior Girls face off in a competition and learning even more about rainforests. Most of us are looking forward to going to the “I am Jack” and roller-skating excursion while others are getting ready for the Spelling Bee in Quirindi but one thing we are all super excited about is the Great Aussie Bush Camp next term.

In English, we have been writing multiple stories and descriptive pieces. Two of the topics that we couldn’t help laughing at our own pieces were “Spiders, Spiders, Spiders” and “More Spiders.”

In mathematics we have been learning a lot on factor trees and doing our times tables (all tables, from 9x to 0x.) Mr Worley has finally started to use ClassDojo again, so every time we do a tables test and we get 18/20, 19/20 or 20/20, we get rewarded. Also with Mr Worley we have been learning about prime and composite numbers. With Miss Boland we have been doing activities that teach us about translations, rotations and reflections. We have learned that now we are in 5/6 we don’t use flip, slide and turn any more.

In science we have been discovering more galaxies and how far they are from earth. Also, we have been building and researching set molecules for a mini-project we have been doing in class. For our project we had to research what state the object was in, the chemical symbol or formula, the elements that make it and then we had the draw it and build it.

On Friday afternoon sessions, we have been playing tennis (when the courts aren’t too wet). The senior girls are facing off in an extremely intense competition to see who is worthy of the tennis-champ crown (not literally speaking). When the senior girls finish, it will be the turn of the senior boys. After this it will be the junior girls then junior boys. The rest of this term and term 4 will certainly be very nerve-racking.

Currently, in HSIE, we have been studying a certain animal. For example, Erica did the Pygmy three –toed sloth. She had to research the physical description, where in the world they are located, diet, cause of near extinction and unique facts. We are up to chapter 18 in Withering-by-Sea and we all can’t wait until we find out what happens next.

Last week, we did the auditions for the movie. We are all looking forward to finding out who gets what part and participating in some awesome movie-madness! Also, we know all of us are looking forward to the SRC character disco that will be on next Thursday. This is going to be a very busy 2 weeks that we have left of this term.
1/2 Class Report

In the One / Two class we have been doing lots of handwriting and spelling.

We have been reading “Little Foxes”. We are up to the part of the story where the mother fox got hit by a car, the cubs were gassed by pest controllers and the main character Billy Bunch has run away with the only cub that has survived.

We have been working on maths online, length and we are all becoming very good at finding our times tables.

In HSIE, we have been looking at our heritage, the royal family, federation, the Australian constitution, family groups, sporting groups, and we designed our own uniforms. Next week we will be looking at Aboriginal heritage.

For our homework project, we have to write a story to be published as our own book.

By Miley, Jade and Ryan

Kindergarten Report Week 9

Last Wednesday, at Assembly, Kinder played Hot Cross Buns on our recorders. Digby

I have been in the kitchen baking soup. Max

I have been cooking artichoke soup. Charlee

We have been playing in the school and skipping. Glen

I have been writing. Destiny

Last Wednesday I played handball. Jack

I have been playing basketball. Sam

I have been in the classroom doing my writing and learning. Alex

I have been playing. Jamie

I was in the kitchen cooking. Bailey

I was in the garden planting with Ms Deaves. Emily

I have been in the garden. Allee

I went to music. Zachary

WILLOUGHBY GIRLS SCHOOL

STRING ORCHESTRA

Tuesday, 15th September, 2015

10-11am

Nundle Memorial Hall

Parents welcome to attend
Years 3 and 4 class Report

In Maths this week we have been learning about Chance. We designed our own chance activity and explained to the class the likely hood of choosing a particular colour. In our packaging unit we are now up to designing a package so 5 biscuits will make it in 1 piece to China. We have been learning about Australia in HSIE. In English we have all completed our novel for this term and continue to look at how books represent Australian Animals in different ways. Our States of Australia projects are due on Monday. Tomorrow we are going to Tamworth to watch I am Jack and go roller skating. We are very excited.

**AWARDS – 2nd September, 2015**

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

**JAMIE EDELROEK** - onderful behaviour

**Kindergarten**

Sam Schofield – excellent participation
Allee Thompson – wonderful word work

**Years 1 and 2**

Tenzin Sherman – settled effort in literacy
Bryce Thompson – enthusiasm towards learning

**Years 3 and 4**

Jayana Little – fantastic effort
William Archer – effort in writing

**Years 5 and 6**

Charlie Jones – great attitude, effort and behaviour.
Kandy Self – great attitude, effort and behaviour.

**AWARDS – 9th September, 2015**

**STUDENT OF WEEK**

TALIA SUMMERS – mature behaviour

**Kindergarten**

Zachary Bradford – effort in writing
Emily George – effort in reading

**Years 1 and 2**

David Smith – huge effort in all areas
Ryan Fitzgerald – fantastic effort in all areas

**Years 3 and 4**

Jessy-Lee Deaves – excellent effort in spelling
Joe Burr – excellent effort in reading

**Years 5 and 6**

Ebony Brand – positive attitude in class
Phoebe Jones – effort in class

**HEADLICE**

There has been an outbreak of headlice. Please check your child’s hair and treat if necessary. Keeping long hair tied up is a way of helping avoid nits. Remember, all bed clothes and hats also need to be thoroughly washed.

Please make sure your child has his or her own headphones to use at the computer.