



Brewarrina Central School News

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Friday 5th June, 2009

DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

A number of our Primary students attended the District Cross Country in Bourke on Monday 1st June 2009.

Congratulations to Josh Barker, Deakin Bennett, Monique Walford, Thomas Conroy, Stella McHughes, Rhianna Dodds, Zanah Rose, Kaylan Murray, Angel Dibben, Diondre Murphy, Tekhara Jackson, Chantae Eyre & Janalee Conroy.

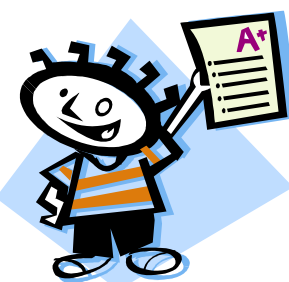
Students were accompanied by Miss McClelland and Rick Black.

Students were well behaved and represented Brewarrina Central School with pride.

Some of these students have progressed further and we will give you updates in our next newsletter.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

A number of students have been leaving the school grounds at recess and lunchtime in order to buy their recess and lunch. I would like to point out to everyone that we have a very, very well stocked and very reasonable priced canteen on site and I would encourage you all to support our school canteen.

If for any reason your child does need to go out of the school grounds at recess or lunchtime, I wish to remind you that they need to provide a written permission note to school. All students who leave our grounds are required to have a **LEAVE PASS**, and a Leave Pass will only be issued on receipt of a permission note from parents. However again I encourage you to use our fantastic canteen, which is doing a great job providing excellent food at very, very reasonable prices.

Later this week we have a film crew arriving to work with a group of our upper Primary students on the creation of a film. Our students will not only be scripting but also assisting in the production of the film and are looking forward to that experience.

Also coming up we have a visit from our Regional Director for Education and Training, Mrs Carole McDiarmid will be visiting our school on Tuesday 16th June from 2pm on. We are looking forward to her visit and it's a wonderful opportunity to have her meet with our students, teachers and community. To that end I would like to extend an invitation to all our parents and community members to join with us for an afternoon tea. It will be an excellent opportunity for you to meet with Mrs McDiarmid, and share with her your thoughts and views on our school.

A reminder also that this coming **Monday 8th June** is a Public Holiday there will be no school open on Monday. Hence students will return to school for normal lessons on Tuesday 9th June 2009.

Don Harvey

Principal

NGURRI NEWS

During the last couple of weeks in Kinder Ngurri, we have been doing a lot of work on change - to ourselves, and our community.

We had a visit to the Tourist Information Centre and looked at all the old cameras, plates, clocks that are there.



We have also been growing our own plants so we can see the seed change into a plant.

We have lots more exciting work to do for the rest of the term and we can't wait!!

Love Kinder Ngurri



THANK YOU

Brewarrina Central School would like to extend a huge **THANK YOU** to all parents, carers and community members that attended our Whole School Assembly on Thursday 28th May 2009 at the Youth Centre.

Its great to see many parents, carers and community members supporting our school.

Our next Whole School Assembly is still to be determined.

K-1 MALIYAN

This week in K-1 Maliyan, we have been learning all about descriptions. All of the students have been working hard to write their own descriptions. They have written some amazing descriptions about the beach, and about a fictional person who broke into their home and stole their favourite toy. Here are a few examples:

*There was a girl with a bald head and
blue eyes. She had a purple hat.
She wore pink lipstick.*

By: Kynan



**A man with long hair broke into my
house. He was dark brown with a missing
tooth. He was also very short.**

By: Ebon



**I went to the beach and saw a coloured
fish and it jumped onto the sand.
The sand was brown.**

By: Katherine



**I went to the beach and I saw a red crab and a
skinny fish and I jumped into the cold water.**

By: Maylee

FAITH EDUCATION IN THE OUTBACK

Diocese of Wilcannia-Forbes

The chief purpose of this project is to support and assist Catholic families whose children are educated at home through Distance Education or attend State Schools, with the faith education of their children through the development of Religious Education programs including on-line delivery.

During this year I would like to make contact with as many families that I can to introduce myself and inform them about the project. If you are schooling your children through Distance Education or a State School please contact me.

As well this year I am available to assist parents prepare their children for the SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION (children from Year 3).

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PUZZLE HEAD

If 1 shape can be placed in one pattern ☐

and 2 shapes can be placed in two different patterns ☐ ☐ and ☐

How many different patterns can 4 shapes make?

How many different patterns can 5 shapes make?

(At least one side of a shape must touch one side of another shape)

Use pen and paper to **draw your thoughts** or drink bottle tops, paper, little boxes to **see your thoughts**.

Draw your answers on paper and place in the **PUZZLE HEAD** box in the staffroom.

NEWS FROM THE PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

It seems that it rains when our students are planning on representing our school in sporting events. Today a group of students travelled to Bourke and participated in the District Cross Country. Reports from students included the amount of mud, puddles and rain they ran through.

However, Brewarrina students did themselves and their school proud with many recording impressive results including 1sts, 2nds and 3rds



in respective age groups. I'm sure we will have students qualify for Regional. We also had teams travelling to Bourke on Wednesday for football and netball. In a few weeks time we have our annual Athletics carnival on the 22nd June. Let's hope it won't rain for the carnival.



Teachers are currently writing half yearly reports. We anticipate they will be issued on the 29th June allowing time for you to discuss any results or concerns with class teachers. The report format has changed slightly from last year.



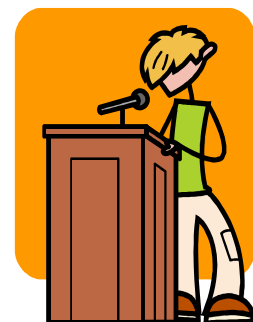
Children continue to participate in reading and maths groups across the school. Teachers are commenting on student enthusiasm, commitment and hard work displayed in groups.



Thanks to the parents who have indicated, through a permission note a lunch pass is required for family members at school. The passes should be distributed to students who were here at school this week.

Congratulations to Stella, Christopher, Brianna and Bree, our Primary captains and vice captains who have been given various duties throughout the school including closing the school gate, awarding class points for the quietest class each assembly, and changing the school noticeboard each week. They are proving to be excellent school leaders and role models for younger students.

The Primary school hold their weekly assembly on Thursday at 10.30 in the staff common room. Students from 5/6W conduct the assembly. It can be daunting using a microphone in front of others. However they are doing a fantastic job. You are always welcome to come and see our many students who receive certificates for their effort in class.



The Brewarrina Aboriginal Health Service has asked students to paint banners for their open day on the 17th June. Each class will work on a banner, the theme being keeping healthy and well.

Sometimes the weather at Brewarrina can be unpredictable. Some students have been caught out by the cold and wet. If your child has needed to borrow a jumper or clothes and has not yet returned it, can you ensure they are given to either the class teacher or myself? We currently don't have any warm jumpers or pants for children due to some clothes not yet returned.



Cathy Clark
DP Primary

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 5th June
Teacher Incentive Day

Monday 29th June to Friday 3rd July

NAIDOC Week

Friday 3rd July
Jump Rope 4 ❤️

Monday 8th June
Public Holiday

FRIDAY 19TH JUNE
BCS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Wednesday 10th June
AMS Dental Talk- Primary



IMPORTANT MESSAGE

SWINE FLU

Dear Parents,

Yesterday, NSW Health provided all NSW schools with the following advice.

It is important that we continue to do everything possible to delay the onset of person-to-person transmission in our state. Currently, there are still no confirmed cases of community transmission of H1N1 in New South Wales.

NSW Health has announced enhanced containment measures for our schools.

From Thursday, 4 June, children who have travelled to greater metropolitan Melbourne will be required to stay away from school for seven days after their return to NSW. This is the same policy that has been in place for overseas travellers returning from countries affected by human swine influenza.

NSW Health has increased the range of information and resources available on its website for both consumers and clinicians. This is quickly accessible by going to (www.health.nsw.gov.au) and clicking on the 'Swine Flu Information' button. Further information is available from the Swine Flu hotline on **180 2007** and at the NSW Health website: www.health.nsw.gov.au

All schools, including this school, have been asked to observe these new procedures to support NSW Health's efforts to contain the spread H1N1 (Human Swine flu). Under the arrangements, if a child who has stayed home remains well after seven days, they can return to school.

Your co-operation with this important health precaution is greatly appreciated.

Yours Sincerely,

Don Harvey
Principal