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★ Newsletter

Message for Parents/Caregivers

This week we had a visit from Peter Campbell, Director of Schools for the Richmond Valley. It was an opportunity for Peter and I to discuss the implications and future options for Rukenvale Public School, given current proposed changes in Departmental policy over the next few years, in particular, the Rural and Remote Strategy due to commence in 2016.

Peter was our guest at the P&C meeting and was able to explain the aspects of the proposed strategy and answer parents concerns and questions. Thank you to the wonderful support shown by our families at this meeting. I was also treated to a surprise when Peter Campbell presented me with my Certificate of 20 years of service to Education.



Kathleen Johnston
Principal

INTENSIVE SWIMMING

Our Intensive Swimming Program is off to a great start. So far the weather has been wonderful. We trust this continues. Thank you to our parent volunteers—Linda, Lenore, Veronica, David and Jodie for your assistance with the Juniors. Mrs Jones has also been assisting us as a volunteer.

Students are required to have: swimmers, towel, plastic bag/s to store wet gear in, sunscreen, water bottle and hat.

Students are reminded to wear their swimmers under their uniform and bring appropriate underwear for changing into after swimming. Students with longer hair need to have their hair tied back.



CHRISTMAS TREE - 2 WEEKS AWAY

Our Christmas Tree Presentation night is only 2 weeks away. Students should be aware by now of their costume requirements for the performance. We hope to have items to put under the Christmas Tree. These need to be up to \$10 value. These can be sent to school or put under the tree on the night. Please label with child's name on the wrapping. We ask families to bring a plate of food to share on the night.



SENIOR CLASS CAMP

As has become tradition for the past few years, we will be having a sleepover/campout at school for years 3-6 on Monday evening, 16th December. More details next Friday!



SCHOOL PROMOTION

I have spent quite a deal of time this term designing new brochures to promote our school and the COLOURSS network of schools in the area. Early this week I distributed some of these brochures to Real Estate Agents and Pre Schools in the area. I have attached one to this newsletter for your viewing.

Our next **Kinder Orientation Day** will be held on **Monday 2nd December**.

If you know of any other families who may like to give their child the wonderful 'Small School Experience' please encourage them to contact us as soon as possible.



P & C NEWS



The P&C meeting this week was well attended. The discussion held with the Director was an enlightening experience. If you were unable to make the meeting and would like to know the outcomes, please contact Kathy.

The Christmas tree is only two weeks away!!

Our hamper is looking good. Thank you to families who have contributed so far. Any further contributions would be greatly appreciated.

Santa will be visiting on the night. Please provide a small gift for your child - no more than \$10 please. Supper will be after the concert, please bring a plate to share.

Thank you for your on-going support,
Narelle



Term 4

Monday 2nd December: Kinder Orientation

Wednesday 4th December : Kyogle High School Orientation Day (Year 6)

Thursday 12 December: Christmas Tree

Monday 16 December: Cricket Challenge and sleepover for Seniors

Tuesday 17th December: Class Parties

Wednesday 18th December: Last Day for Students - family barbecue and cricket game from 1.00pm

LAST BOOKCLUB FOR 2013

Please send in any orders by
3rd December.

Community News

Wiangaree Hall Christmas Party

30th November 2013

6.30pm

LOTS OF PRIZES

Santa coming at 8.00pm

All welcome

BBQ BYO drinks

WOODENBONG

Pre-Christmas 'Yowie Country' MARKET

Saturday 30th November 2013

8am-3pm Woodenbong Hall & Grounds

Feature: Free Air Brushing artwork workshop with Dallas Franklin.

Free Live Music. Jammers welcome. Variety of indoor/outdoor stalls. All weather event. Hot food. Children's Playground. Wheelchair access & Amenities. W.A.G. (Woodenbong Arts Group Inc.) display and kid's painting. Insured stall site \$12. Phone: Carey 0266351176

Routine LAST SATURDAY EVERY MONTH (following market 28th December)



FORMER STUDENT SUCCESS

Archery Champ

Last weekend, former student Remy Leonard (Year 8) headed down to Scott's Creek near Scone to compete in the annual 3D Archery National Championships. The shoot took place over 2 days, shooting at 50 different animal targets in a variety of challenging terrain. Remy had some fierce competition though was proud to take out first place in his division. After successfully competing in a number of weekend shoots throughout NSW and QLD over the year, he gained enough points to also take out the 'Shooter of the Year' award in his section, which came with a plaque and a cash prize of \$250.

