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Term 3 Week 2

★ Newsletter

From the Principal

Welcome back to Term 3! I trust you all had an enjoyable holiday with your children without the rush or routines.

Didjeribone performance

We began last week with an enjoyable NAIDOC Day performance at Kyogle High School. The children were totally engrossed in the performance and some of our students were lucky enough to be part of the show creating a loop. It was an interesting and worthwhile experience.



Thankyou to Anne and Jodie for assisting me with transportation on the day.

KEEP

Oliver participated in A KEEP day last Thursday at Kyogle HS and has written a report which is included in this newsletter.

CANBERRA

Oliver is off to Canberra next week with Stage 3 students from our Community of Schools in Kyogle and Casino. They have a packed bus and an action packed week with plenty of interesting and fun activities organised. I'm sure Oliver will totally enjoy this experience and have plenty to tell about on his return. We wish him a safe and wonderful trip to Canberra.

New Jackets

Thank you to Lenore for organising this wonderful addition to our school uniform. They

look spectacular and are great for those extra cold mornings.

IGA BBQ

Thankyou to all the parents and Anne who attended the IGA BBQ fundraiser on the weekend. We all appreciate the support you provide the school.

District Athletics

The students are all excited about the District athletics tomorrow being held at Kyogle High School grounds. Please arrive by 9.30am. There will be a canteen available on the day.

Education Week

Next week is Education week in schools throughout NSW. It is a time to celebrate the achievements and commitment that students' show at school each day. We also celebrate the teachers, support staff, parents and community who support their children and Public Education. Please help us celebrate next Thursday at 11am with a morning tea and open classrooms. All welcome.

Writers Festival

On Tuesday, 4th August we will be travelling by bus to Murwillumbah to attend the Byron Bay Writers festival. Special guest authors will be Jackie French and Jacqueline Harvey. A note is attached.

Regards, Kerry Flick



P & C NEWS

Dear parents

Many thanks to parents and staff who assisted with the IGA barbecue on Sunday. It was a profitable day for us. We raised approx. \$260.

A special thank you to Lenore for her time in organising the purchasing of our new school jackets. They arrived on Monday and look very smart. The P&C will make up any shortfall over \$40 in the cost of jackets.

Thanks,
David Hausen.

Term 2 Dates

Friday 24 July - District athletics
Monday 27th July - Education week
Thursday 30th July - Education Week
Monday 3rd August - P&C Meeting
Tuesday 4th August - Writers Festival
Tuesday 11th August - Science Day

From the Library

Welcome back to an exciting "book-filled" term. Thank you to all our diligent students who have been returning and finding "lost" library books. Well Done Everyone! (especially our parents who prompt, remind and help find.)

We will be purchasing a number of new books this term including a selection of books by Jackie French and Jacqueline Harvey which will support our author studies in preparation for the Writer's Festival in week 4. A number of CBC shortlisted books for 2015 will also be purchased to support Bookweek in week 7. Start thinking about your favourite book and character ready to dress up and have some fun!

*"So please, oh please, we beg, we pray,
 Go throw your T.V. set away.
 In its place, you can install
 A lovely bookshelf on the wall."
 Roald Dahl.*

Yours in Reading
 Abby Sawford

Didjeribone Performance - Tuesday 14th July

Today we went to Kyogle High School and Gypsy and Ruby had a go at looping but Gypsy was shy so she turned around and did her looping. The man did some looping and he played the Didjeribone. He lives in Brisbane and he came to Kyogle today to play the Didjeribone



Weekly Awards!

Congratulations to the following students this week:-

- ★ **Gypsy Howie** for beautiful expressive reading during guided reading
- ★ **Oliver Hausen** for application to writing tasks with well constructed and sequenced ideas



Eli won First Prize of a \$50 voucher in the NAIDOC colouring in competition

KEEP

On Wednesday I went to Kyogle High School to do Drama with the other KEEP students. While Leo, Annie Shannon, Brooke and I were waiting for the others to arrive we played a drama game which involved three tennis balls of different colours. First we threw one ball around the circle until every one had the ball, then we swapped it for a different ball and repeated the throwing but using a different pattern. We repeated it a third time and then we used all three balls which became very difficult because you had to remember all three patterns. We read a play called Insecta which was about insects in court discussing whether the public should know about insecta's address. I played x-plorer who discovered insects. It was fun but we didn't get to do the actions. In the afternoon we played theatre sports with the seniors which was quite fun. We all named ourselves different names and I named myself Bob, actually it was keep calm and say Bob.

Oliver Hausen

Community News

Introducing this new exciting program to the Kyogle LGA. Special Needs Activity Program is designed for families that have a child with special needs or have concerns there child may need further assessment. The child may be displaying challenging behaviours that the family has concerns about and needs some support and guidance. This program will be a starting point for families that are about to face the maze of childhood disabilities. SNAP will offer information to families on appropriate services to engage with, nutrition, medication management, tips and tricks to assist with challenging behaviours, networking opportunities with other families going through similar situations and loads more information. Venue, time and date will be advised so watch this space. If you would like to register your keen interest to attend or if you are a service that would like to get on board this great program please contact Kyogle Family Support Services on:

Kind Regards

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Did you know?

Less than half of Australian children eat the recommended 5 serves of vegetables per day, while most eat 2 serves of fruit.

To raise awareness about the benefits of eating vegies our school is participating in the Big Vegie Crunch. This is an attempt to set a record for the greatest number of children eating vegetables at a given time

When: August 27th at 11am

What do you need to do: pack your child a vegetable to crunch on for the day. Don't forget to encourage them to eat vegetables at home as well as at school.

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WRITERS
FESTIVAL
7-9 AUGUST 2015

Spend an Afternoon with Jacqueline Harvey

Bestselling author of the Alice-Miranda and the Clementine Rose series

Byron Bay Library is pleased to present an afternoon with Jacqueline Harvey in conjunction with Byron Bay Writers Festival and Room to Read.



When: Friday, 7 August 3.30pm-5pm

Where: Lone Goat Gallery at Byron Bay Library, Cnr Lawson & Middleton Street

Cost: \$5 per child. This ticket allows two carers to attend for free, per child

Purchase Tickets: www.byronbaywritersfestival.com.au

More Information: Byron Bay Library 02 6685 8540

Books will be available for purchase at the venue.



Jacqueline Harvey is a writer ambassador for Room to Read, an innovative global non-profit which is focused upon literacy and gender equality through education in ten developing countries in Asia and Africa.



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A Word from Linda Jones



After a teaching career spanning 38 years with over 20 of them as part of the Rukenvale community I have decided to pack away my 'chalk' and retire !

Wow! What a wonderful career I have had being part of the Rukenvale community. I have loved sharing in the education of so many young people, not only sharing skills I have taught the students over the years but the many lessons they have taught me!

It has been my privilege to be part of everything Rukenvale !

Looking forward to catching up at Rukenvale events in the future!

