Newsletter: Issue 15
Thursday 16th September 2010

Principal Position 2011-2016
I am delighted to announce that I have accepted the position of Principal at the school for the next five years. I am really pleased to continue my association with such a supportive staff and community.

After all of our practising we are ready for Sports Day tomorrow. Please make sure children are at the Blyth Oval by 8.40am so that teams can be ready for the march in good time.

Cheers, Dzintra

NAPLAN Tests
Parents of children in Years 3, 5 and 7 will receive their children's NAPLAN reports with this newsletter. Please see Dzintra or Kate if you have any questions about your child's report.

2011 School Budget
The Finance Committee is developing the next cycle of equipment replacement for the school. If you have any thoughts about equipment we could use or facilities which need improvement please let Andrew Clarke, Sue Pratt, Kylie Williams, Gavin McElroy or the front office know. Families are also welcome to make suggestions for the 2011 Budget which will be formulated soon.

Shear For Life
Students are invited to wear casual clothes on the last day of term and donate a gold coin towards the Shear For Life fundraiser. We wish Daryl Andriske every success as he shears and raises funds for Cancer research. Children might like to wear yellow.

Solar Power Generation
Since our solar panels were installed in June 2226 kWh has been generated.

Diary Dates

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Sensational Students

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<td>Upper Primary Class</td>
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<td>Ruby Jacka</td>
<td>☺ For excellent organisation skills</td>
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<td>Kasey Bigg</td>
<td>☺ For outstanding work and helpfulness</td>
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Attachments with this newsletter
- Parenting with the Brain in Mind
- Sports Day Parent Roster
- NAPLAN reports
- Year 7 Canberra Information and Invoice
- Sports Day programme
- Maths Challenge
- School Photo envelopes
- Shear for Life
- Active after School
- Cyber Safety Return Slip
Active After School
Next Monday will be the last day for hockey this year. Many thanks to Brian Eime and Amelia Lange for the enjoyable Term 3 activities. Next term, Active After School Activities will begin in the second week of term, with dancing on Wednesdays and Martial Arts on Thursdays.

School Photos
Envelopes are coming home today for School Photos to be held on Wednesday 13th October. Please return envelopes on the day of photos with correct money enclosed to go to the photographers. Family photo envelopes are at the front office if required.

Year 2 Class News
Wow. Things have still been very busy!! Last week started off with the Parent-Teacher interviews on Monday and Tuesday night. On Tuesday, our two new reception students for next term, Edward and Riley, had their first transition visit, with their second visit Tuesday of this week. Both children are settling in quickly! Last Thursday, we all had our Landcare Day at Spalding, along with four other schools. The weather cleared in time, leaving us with beautiful sunshine!! The day was a great success, with everyone having his or her own favourite activity. Once again, the Blyth Students' behaviour did us all proud and it was a great opportunity for us all to catch up again with the students from the other schools.

Until next term,
Cheryl

Year 3-5 Class News
We had a Science Day at Spalding for Landcare Day. We saw lots of different things like farming, fossils, plants, lizards and soils. There was a bird called Eagle who can see little animals like lizards and mice from 20kms away. We had a great day and lots of fun.
In Music we are learning a rap. We are all practising hard ready for Sports Day on Friday. We hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday and we hope Mrs Harvey has a great holiday.
Libby and Maddison

Year 6-7 Class News
In the last two weeks the Upper Primary Class has had lots of fun. But we have also been very busy due to finishing all our assignments.
We also had Landcare Day. We went there with Spalding, Koolunga, Georgetown and Brinkworth. It was a very interesting day. We had lots of fun with the other schools at lunch too. We even made some new friends, and met up with old

Cyber Safety Education
Parent Club was successful in securing a grant for education sessions covering internet/cyber safety. We have Gavin McElroy presenting two evening sessions and one daytime session.

Evening sessions are on:
- Tuesday 26th October – 7-9 pm
- Tuesday 2nd November – 7-9 pm

The day session is on Tuesday 19th October. Parent Club meeting will be at 1.30 pm that day and Gavin will present from 2.30 – 3.30 pm.

All parents, grandparents, friends, carers, are welcome to join in these sessions. Come armed with all your questions and concerns.

This is an ever changing, very relevant part of ours and our children's lives.

Please join us to gain some knowledge on cyber-safety and keep your family and computers safe and up to date.

A crèche will be available. Please return the Cyber Safety Education reply slip if you are interested in attending.

Any questions please phone Charmain Angel on 88443218 or 0428443218.
friends. We now have Mrs. Langley teaching us for two weeks, because Ms D'Cruze has gone on long service leave.

In Maths we have just had a BIG test from Mrs. Bray and are now learning about fractions with Mrs. Langley. For the first eight weeks of term with Mrs. Bray in Health we have been learning about Self Image.

In SOSE with Mrs. Langley we have started an assignment called decades. We have to learn about the inventions, famous people, music and art.

We have had a GREAT week!!!
By Kiara and Hannah!!!

_Careers Camp_
Monday 30/8/2010
We departed Blyth at 8:00 am. We then drove to Regency Park Tafe. We had recess then got taken on a tour; it was very interesting learning about all the trades. Then we drove to Footy Park and we had a very yummy lunch. Then a young lad called Joel came out and took us on a brilliant tour of AAMI Stadium. We also got to do a couple of warm ups the Crows do before the game. It was great fun! We got to go to a shopping mall and went for a walk with just our friends. We then drove to Pizza 'N' More to have a great dinner. We even got to watch the cook flip some pizza dough!!! After dinner we travelled to the Wakefield Street Fire station. It was very inspiring. We also got to use the fire hose. They have lots of power!! Wakefield Street Fire station is the only station now with a fireman's pole. We then got to go see our camp site and unpack. The camp site was very clean and we had great rooms. That night we got to watch a movie 'Journey to the Centre of the Earth'. ☺

By Kiara and Hannah!!!

_CPSW_
Hello everyone,

_Shoeboxes of Love for Operation Christmas Child._

There were many oohs and aahs in the MP class on Tuesday when Mrs Eckermann and Mrs Zweck showed handmade Tshirts, skirts, bags and beanies, some of the gifts collected from their group of ladies.

These, as well as gifts donated by families and those made by students, will be sorted and packed next week. Please send in any other gifts by Tuesday.

Sometimes it is hard to imagine the impact that a shoebox can have. Here is the story of one child:

At a shoebox distribution centre in Papua New Guinea, the children were asked if they had ever received a new gift, and if not, what they would hope for. Tawhiri, a 9 year old boy who lives near the Kokoda Trail, waved his hands and shouted that he would love something to cover his head when it rained. Imagine his excitement when Tawhiri opened his box and pulled out a perfect beanie!

Last year more than 8 million children received shoeboxes worldwide.

A big Thankyou to everyone who has contributed gifts this year.

Take care families and enjoy your Sports Day.
Mignon.
German News
We have had a bit of fun in the younger classes making a paper version of a 'Dackel' which is the German term for a sausage dog. A couple of students with very nimble fingers and lots of creativity made some really cute versions!
The older students are learning a great deal from their letter/email exchanges to Germany. We were really envious last week when we read in their letters of the places they visited during the summer holidays - including Spain, the Netherlands and the Baltic Sea. It was a hot summer in Germany, with lots of 40°C days!! Very amazing.

Tschüss
Judy

Talent Quest
Over the past few weeks students have been practicing madly to perform in front of the judges, to be pronounced the winner in the 'Blyth Primary School's got Talent'. Congratulations to the finalists:
The Moods, HARA and Kasey Bigg performing gymnastics.
The unanimous winner was Kasey Bigg. Thank you Lillian and Tara for organising such a fun event.

Royal Life Saving Holiday Water Safety Program
ENROL TODAY
13th—17th December 2010
Clare, Balaklava and other centres
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COMMUNITY NOTICES

Blyth Cinema
Fri 17th Sept 8.00 The Last Station (M)
Sat 18th & 24th Sept 8.00 Letters to Juliet (PG)
Sat 25th Sept AFL Grand Final from 1.00pm
Sat 25th Sept & Fri 1st Oct 8.00pm Robin Hood (M)
Flicka2: Friends Forever
Tues 28th Sept 2.00 pm - all tickets $5.00
Thurs 30th Sept 10.30 am

Auburn Primary School
150th Celebration
Sunday 17th October 2010
10 am - 4 pm

JUNIOR TENNIS
If you are over the age of 8 and interested in playing junior tennis for the 2010/11 season please contact me.

Tennis is played on Saturday mornings with trainings held on Thursday afternoons at 4pm.

Valerie Carling - Junior Coordinator
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