



Blyth Primary School Newsletter 2018

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News from the Principal

Term Two Week 2

Hello Everyone!

Welcome back to Term 2, it was great to see our students return after the holidays refreshed and ready to continue on with their learning.

Thank you to Matthew, Sorayah, Hannah, Jack W, Tilly, and Violet for assisting me to represent our school at the Blyth Community ANZAC Day service during the holidays.

We have recently had news that Mrs Daina McCormack has resigned from the Schools Ministries Group. We thank Daina for all of her work with our students, and wish her well with her new endeavours.

We have received news from SMG that our current Pastoral Care Worker - Emily Gill has successfully become our permanent replacement for Daina. Congratulations Emily, we are pleased that you are able to continue in your role with us.

It has already been a very busy start to the term with last week students beginning to use their creativity and learn the dances associated for our Wakakirri. We had the assistance of Dance Instructor– Naomi Little to choreograph some of the moves, and our very talented school staff to help piece together the story. It was very exciting to see how the students were enthusiastically learning the dance and working **together as a whole school team. Thank you to Ms D'Cruze for being our leader** who is already working very hard behind the scenes to ensure our Wakakirri is successfully organised.

Last Thursday Blyth hosted the SAPSASA Football & Netball Hub Day.

Congratulations to both Tyler Bigg and Jack Welke for representing our school playing Football with their team winning every match. Thank you to Julia Agnew, Alex Welke, Caroline Hayes and Connie Reljich, students Tom, Will, Mason, & Lachlan for setting up the food and drinks on the Wednesday night, and for all the parents for their work in the canteen on the day.

Our students Coby, Nick, Angus, Will B, Dylan, Bonnie, Tyler, Matthew, Sorayah, Sam, Macca, Seth, Lucious, and Jack W are representing Blyth at SAPSASA Cross Country this Friday at Burra. They have all been training very hard for this event, and we hope they have a great time and wish them success.

Last term Mrs Murrie took our Peace Cranes to Hiroshima Japan to be displayed as **part of a children's Peace Memorial. Thank you to Mrs Murrie for enabling this to** happen for our students as a part of our Japanese Language and Cultural studies.

Best wishes everyone,

Lynne-Maree Hastings

Principal Blyth Primary School

Happy
Mother's
Day



Diary Dates

- 14/05/18 Gov Council 7.30pm
- 15/05-17/05 NAPLAN
- 18/05/18 Walk to School
Tuck Day
Bookclub orders
- 23/05/18 YEL Forum
- 25/05/18 Assembly Hosts:
Bonnie & Anna
- 04/06/18 Parent Club 2.30pm
- 06/06/18 Wheels Day
- 07/06/18 SANFL
- 08/06/18 Assembly Hosts:
Brooke & Coby
- 11/06/18 Public Holiday
- 12/06/18 Pupil Free Day

Our BPS Peace Cranes on Display in Hiroshima Japan





Dancing was fun on Friday! We walked down to the Blyth Hall and worked on our dancing moves with a dance teacher and Ms D'Cruze. We had our recess and played on the fantastic playground. We have learnt 42 sounds and are starting to blend sounds together to make words. In Maths, we have been looking at shapes. We know shapes are everywhere in our school! We have done some cooking and really enjoyed eating our Honey Crackles.

The children from Brinkworth Kindergarten came to visit us on Tuesday. We really enjoyed showing them our learning space and they joined us for some Active Play. We invited them to visit us again because we had so much fun!

Dear Parents

This term we are working on Roald Dahl Charlie and the Chocolate Factory; the Yr 4 students are undertaking an independent novel study on another of his novels. The children have worked on descriptive writing and character profiles. They are also looking at each chapter in detail and writing about it.

In Humanities, we are studying the culture of African culture as it is a part of our Wakakirri theme. Following on from here, I have integrated our dance and drama curriculum so it gives the children more of a sense of the music and culture of the African people.

In Science we are working on machines and the forces and energy needed to get them to work. For the first four weeks in Maths, we will focus on Fractions.

Regards Jillian

Hi parents

Once again we have hit the ground running, as this term looks to be exceptionally busy (nothing new there)! This term our major group project will be to plan, create and film a 'wellness' television show, with three segments including yoga, cooking and free choice/personal interest. The children have begun to write their scripts, and are busily researching background information. This cross-curricular task provides lots of opportunity for rich language development, oral language, technology, drama and, of course, collaboration.

In Maths we have begun a unit on time. Year 4s and 5s will revise telling time to the minute, converting between hours, minutes and seconds, and 24 hour time. The Year 6/7s are learning about time zones and timetables. Our science unit is called Marvellous Microorganisms.

In addition:

- today 13 students travelled to Burra to compete in cross-country
- last week Jack and Tyler represented our school in SAPSASA Hub football, with Tyler being selected for the Mid North team.
- our YEL students will be travelling to Hart in Week 5
- our Year 6 STAR team are training up the Year 5s to take on the STAR role in Term 3
- we have assigned leaders and job roles for Wakakirri.

I am constantly inspired and heartened by the willingness with which our students take on leadership roles and commit to the extra time and responsibilities required!

Until next time Kate

Term 2 is off and racing!

The JP class has finally met all of our Kimochi friends and we are about to start learning about health and nutrition.

The MP class is going to be looking at measurement and graphing skills, finish off their work on mental health by doing a film study on Disney Pixar's "Inside Out" and will soon be starting an animation project.

The UP class is also doing a film study on "Inside Out", and will be focusing on geometry this term. They will also start learning about Ancient Egypt.

Ms Gardner

Pastoral Care with Emily – Term 2 Week 2

Hello everyone, and welcome back to term 2. I hope you are feeling refreshed and ready to take on another busy term.

I have been listening to some students in the yard and in class saying "I can't do this". It made me sad. I know that they can work through the processes and find the out-come if they stopped doubting themselves. These students were not having a positive mind set.

Why do we need a positive mind set or self-talk? Being positive helps us build our wellbeing and it is an effective coping strategy to help us over come challenges or setbacks. I will be focusing on building their confidence and skills on how to change, I can't, to I can or I will!

Our Current STARS team have developed good leadership skills. They will graduate at the end of term 2. It is currently their job to transfer those skills to the next group of STARS. On Wednesday Jaxon and Macca were in breakfast training under the guidance of Tyler. I have to say I was really impressed at their enthusiasm in the job and a willingness to learn new skills. Keep up the good work.

Cheerio, Emily

Parent Club Update

We had a successful day again running the canteen at Hub day. Thank you to those who helped out.

A Wheels Day will be held on Wednesday 6th June from 9am. Students are asked to bring their own wheels and helmet to school. A sponsor form is included with this newsletter to raise funds for Wakakirri.

Please return the form and any money to the school by Monday 4th June. We will need a few helpers to guide students as they ride, so if you are available, your help would be appreciated.

Thank you

Parent Club

Governing Council Key Messages

Governing Council met in March and discussed:

OSHC Fees

Governing Council supported the motion to increase the current OSHC fees from \$18 per child per session to \$21 per child per session. This will increase the viability of the service and is in line with what other OSHC services are charging.

Facilities

The school is in discussion with Facilities regarding the Rec-1 and 4-7 building. These discussion are about the re-levelling, re-stumping and the replacing of window frames.

Parent Club

Parent Club reported that their current focus of fundraising will be Technology.

Reporting Abuse & Neglect Workshops

Training will be offered this year for parents, if you want to be involved please register your interest with the school.

Kylie Williams

Secretary



LIVING WITH PETS
Rec-1 class had a visit from Jazzy the dog on Thursday, to learn about dog safety.

WAKAKIRRI 2018
On Friday the 4th May, all the students had a great time at the dance workshop with Naomi at the Town Hall.

SAPSASA Cross Country Burra
11/5/18



FREE DYSLEXIA SEMINAR

ATTENTION

Clare: Wednesday 30 May
11am - 12:30

Venue: Clare Town Hall

Cost: FREE

Register@

www.dyslexia.com.au/register

This Dyslexia Seminar will be 90 minutes of tips, insight and practical knowledge about what dyslexia is and how you can go about remediation.