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Respect

Principal's Message

Here at school we have been as busy as ever. Our Year 3 and 5 students completed their week long NAPLAN testing – much to their relief. Whilst it can be seen as an evil necessity it can also be very useful in finding out specific strengths and weaknesses of students. I'd like to congratulate all of our students for giving this assessment their personal best.

On Wednesday the entire school came together at 11am to read the hilarious story 'Alpacas with Maraca's. We joined schools across the country in the Simultaneous, Storytime Reading project.

On Thursday, our Captains and Vice Captains attended the GRIP Leadership conference in Newcastle with leaders from schools across the Hunter. All of the leaders found the experience invigorating and invaluable – you can read their report in this newsletter.

Thursday was also our Biggest Afternoon Tea fundraiser. Nanny Nola has hosted this in the past and was again able to do so this year. We had a wonderful turnout, with many new friends and visitors sharing a gorgeous spread of scones, cakes and slices. Following our raffles and donations we were able to raise just under \$600!!! Not bad for one afternoon!! A big thank you to Karuah Bakery for their cake and slice donations, Irene Wilkie (aka my mum) for the scones, Nanny Nola for the host of raffle prizes, the Tobin family for raffle donations and to all of our families who donated goodies and/or prizes.

On a sad note – we are bidding a fond farewell to the Oldfield family today. It has been an absolute pleasure getting to know and work with Clancy. Shelby, Tasmin and Lucan. We will all miss you very much but we wish you every success and happiness in your future endeavors. **Personal Best**

A reminder for parents and carers, we are moving in to our busy period with assessments and observations being undertaken as we prepare to compile Semester 1 Student Reports. It is important that students arrive on time every day. If for any reasons your child will be absent please notify the office as soon as possible. Additionally, if you need to discuss student matters with any of the teachers please ensure you make an appointment through the office.

Wishing you all a wonderful week Michelle Crowfoot

This year some of the Banksias have decided to participate in the Premier's Spelling Bee. It is open to children from years 3-6. Students will be practicing the list words in class, however due to copyright, the words are not able to be sent out by schools. If you wish at access the lists at home you can find them from the following website. There is a password which needs to be entered and is available from Mrs Jones in the office if required.

https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/premiersspelling-bee

Those who wish will participate in a spell off in class next term and representatives chosen for the Regional Spelling Bee.

Happy spelling!! Mrs Davis

Dates to remember

- 4 27 May Hunter Water excursion (Banksias)
- 4 30 May Paws to Read
- 4 6 June Yr 4 Gala Day at Maitland High School
- 4 11 June Healthy Harold visit
- 4 21 June Whole school assembly

GRIP LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

On Thursday Caitlin, Charlie, Dakoda and I arrived at school at 8am to go to the GRIP Students Leadership Conference at the Civic Theatre in Newcastle.

Mrs Davis drove us to the Civic theatre with a couple of roasts along the way. We also met a dude with a motorbike on the back of his Ute and every time we saw him at the lights he would wave and we would wave back.

At the conference we took our seats and listened to a man called Ronin. He explained what we were going to do, so first we got to play a few games like simon says and then when Ronin was done he told us two other men were going to play a game with us. Then Caleb and Andy came on stage.

We played a game called guess the password. We had to try and guess what the word was on the board and then we had a small lunch. After we listened to a nice lady we got these booklets that we had to answer questions about being a good school leader and we played a game where we got out of our chairs and looked for someone that had ridden a horse and who could remember all of the names of the planets.

We got to play another game with Caleb and Andy where some students had to guess what kind of musical instruments the crowd was playing. It was a fun game and then we had a break like recess. On the way home we stopped in at 711. That was our Grip Leadership day.

Lachlan and Dakoda

TWEET AWARDS



Congratulations to Leah for achieving her 'Yellow feather'.

Congratulations to Isabelle and Kaylie for achieving their 'Blue feather'.

Congratulation to Caitlin for achieving her 'Purple feather'.

Well done!

CAPTAINS REPORT

We have had a busy week with Grip Leadership which was so much fun joking around with Mrs

Davis and on the way we met a friend in the car next to us and he was so nice. We also had the biggest morning tea but it was actually in the afternoon and the same time as Grip Leadership.

Next week we have 'Paws to Read' and everyone can bring their books to read to their family and friends. Healthy Harold is coming to our school in a couple of weeks and he will be telling us all about how to be healthy.

Caitlin and Charlie

SPORT REPORT

Equipment hasn't been getting returned. If you get sport equipment out please return it to the sports shed.

Sam and I have been cleaning the sport shed with the help of Caitlin, Jayden and Dylan.

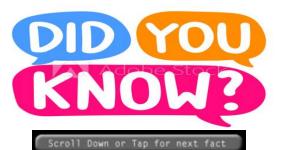
We will try harder to setup fun activities.

Ryan and Sam



What did the shark say when he ate the clownfish?

This tastes a little funny.



Chimps are the only animals that can recognize themselves in a mirror.

P&C News

Tickets are now on sale for our Toy Story 4 Movie night at Scotties Cinema Centre Raymond Terrace on **Friday 21 June 2019.** Tickets are \$15 each and the movie will commence at 6.30pm. To order your tickets please send your money into the office or you can direct deposit into our P&C bank account. Please contact Deb Tobin for more details on 0447 299 117.

Entertainment books are available to be purchased now for 2019/2020. These memberships are \$65 each and offer thousands of dollars worth of savings on a variety of things from holidays, restaurants, McDonalds, movie tickets, shopping and much, much more. To order either your digital or book membership today please go to https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderboo ks/3q4448 or contact Deb Tobin on 0447 29 117.

Save the date: Mount Kanwary P&C are hosting a Trivia Night on Saturday 24 August 2019. More details to come as the event gets closer. We will be having raffles and an auction during the trivia night. If anyone is able to assist with raffle prizes or auction items please contact Deb Tobin on 0447 299 117.

Mark Tobin P&C President

