***Ms Reid’s Message***

Coming into the warmer weather we had a timely reminder last week to be on the lookout for snakes passing through our playground. A small brown snake was spotted by Mrs Markwick & Mrs Price as they were walking. Luckily the snake passed through the playground towards the creek without incident. The children & teachers have discussed the procedure to take if a snake is seen in the playground & we have since placed solar snake repellers around the playground. It would be appreciated if parents could also encourage their children to be aware at all times when outside playing.

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The Year 6 Farewell is fast approaching …. The date being set is Monday 15th December at the **Level Up Bowling** in Tamworth (opposite Forum 6 Cinema in Centrepoint Plaza) from 6-8pm. The fun night will include bowling and pizza with the children and their families. The P & C have kindly offered to pay for the bowling and pizza for the Somerton school children. Accompanying parents and siblings will need **to cover their own costs.**

**Please RSVP to the school if you are planning attending.**

**Free Birth Certificates**

Minimbah Project Birth Certificate applications available from the school.

**Picasso Cow Presentation Day**

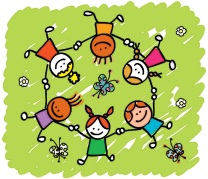
Wow!! What a morning we had in Tamworth on Monday at the Picasso Cow Awards & Presentation Day. There were six cows displayed & the standard of work could only be classed as exceptional for all the cows. The judges had great difficulty in choosing a winning cow. Unfortunately Somerton PS was not the winner but our cow, Belinda, held her own amongst the stiff competition. The winning school was Tamworth PS. The children had a fun morning of games & competitions as well as mixing with the children from other schools. Belinda will now become a permanent feature on our school verandah. We are planning on holding a Picasso Cow BBQ for the parents & friends on a date to be decided in the last week of school. Further information will be forth coming in the coming newsletters.

**Be Self-Aware Workshop**

On Wednesday 19th November the Drought Assistance Carers NSW are holding a ‘Be self-aware’ workshop & BBQ at Somerton Public School from 3.30pm. Please see the attached flyer & below for more information on this interesting presentation. The evening is for the whole family & we hope you can make it!



**Kindergarten Orientation**

We are looking forward to our Kindergarten orientation & meeting our new enrolments. It is exciting to welcome a new little person into our school. Our first session is next Thursday 20th November. Please see the attached flyer for more information. If you know of any families intending to enrol at Somerton PS, please pass on the information.

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A reminder that students will be going fishing this Friday in continuation of our Hook, Line & Sinker program.

**Rural Resilience Program**

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| **October 6**  Public Holiday | **7** | **8** | **9**  Playgroup | **10** |
| **13** | **14** | **15** | **16**  Playgroup  AASC  7:30pm-  P&C Meeting | **17**  F**i**shing |
| **20** | **21** | **22**  3:15pm-Meet & Greet Principal | **23**  Playgroup  AASC | **24** |
| **27** | **28** | **29** | **30**  Playgroup  AASC | **31**  F**i**shing  SRC fundraiser Due  Day for Daniel Morcombe |
| **November 3** | **4** | **5** | **6**  Playgroup  AASC | **7**  **Book club Orders Due** |
| **10**  Picasso Cow Judging | **11** | **12** | **13**  Playgroup  AASC | **14**  F**i**shing |
| **17** | **18**  11am-Pete the Sheep Performance &  Gallery Visit | **19**  3:30-6:30pm  Be Self-Care Aware | **20**  Playgroup  Kindergarten Orientation  AASC | **2** |
| **24** | **25** | **26** | **27**  Playgroup  Kindergarten Orientation  AASC | **28**  F**i**shing |
| **December 1**  Swim School | **2**  Swim School | **3**  Swim School | **4**  Swim School | **5**  Swim School |
| **8** | **9** | **10**  6pm Presentation Night & Community Christmas Tree | **11**  2pm Scripture Christmas Service | **12**  Fishing |
| **15**  6-8pm  Year 6 Farewell (Level Up Bowling) | **16**  Picasso Cow BBQ celebration | **17**  School Class Party  Students last day of Term 4 | **18**  Staff Development **Day** |  |

**TERM 4 DATES:**