

Newsletter

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Developing Respect, Responsibility, Resourcefulness

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Term 4 – Week 6

Tuesday 10 November 2015

Mr Reid's Message

Kindergarten

Orientation

On Thursday 4th November we had 5 little visitors to our school for their first day of Kindergarten Orientation. Matthew, Matilda, Keisha, Lachlan and Sophie had a fun morning of familiarising themselves with their new school surroundings and teachers for when they begin Kindergarten in 2016. The students sang songs, listened to stories, played with toys and did a beautiful craft activity. They also joined the students for fruit break and story time, as well as recess / playtime. The children will come again next Thursday for a similar time of fun activities and we are hoping next Thursday will be lovely sunny day so that the children can play outside with the older students at recess.



Playgroup

Last Wednesday we had our first playgroup in the school library. The children had a lovely time playing whilst the mums & Mrs Markwick (Community Liaison Officer) had a relaxing time chatting over a cuppa. It will be held every Wednesday from 9:30- 11:00am. All children & parents are welcomed to attend.

Here is a pic from last week:



P&C News

- ☺ Christmas Raffle – the raffle will consist of donated items to make a lovely hamper of gifts and surprises. Donations can include any household items, beauty products, toys, manchester items etc. This is a great fund raiser for the school and I encourage all families to donate generously to make it a super hamper. All money raised goes to student resources – this year we are looking at literacy resources as in readers for all age levels.
- ☺ The P&C encourage all parents and friends to attend their meetings and become involved with fundraising initiatives and the school community. The P&C are a very important organisation in providing many resources and much needed equipment for the school and the students. The meetings are held once a term and begin at 6.30pm and usually finish between 7.30 – 8.00pm. There is a cuppa and snack available whilst discussing the agenda. All parents and friends are welcomed!
- ☺ Welcome Parent BBQ planned for Thursday 18th February 2016 with a short meeting afterwards. This is an opportunity to meet other parents at the barbecue and then attend the P&C meeting afterwards and see what happens in a meeting. Students are invited to the bbq with their parents and then a supervised movie will be put on in the classroom while the adults attend the meeting. Please keep this in mind for next year!



P&C Fundraiser - Festive Tea Towels

Please find attached the P&C fundraiser for festive tea towels. These are a great Christmas idea, please ask family & friends to order! All orders and monies are to be returned to the school by Friday 20th November 2015 so that orders can be processed & returned for Christmas. Thank you ☺

READ-A-THON:



Thank you to everyone who sponsored a child for our Read-a-thon. The students did a fantastic job in completing their reading tasks. If there is any outstanding sponsor money owing could it please be returned as soon as possible so that the event can be finalised and the students can receive their rewards.

CAPERS 2015

The students and staff attended the Capers production held in Tamworth on Friday. It was an exciting event for the students as they were able to see the talents of students from other primary and high schools performing a combination of musical and drama productions. Thank you to the staff who transported the students to and from Tamworth.



Concept of the Week-CARE ON THE BUS:

Travelling on a school bus is a privilege. Students need to be constantly aware of correct behaviour in manners, consideration to the driver and to other passengers, and safety in wearing a seatbelt. Parents and teachers need to constantly reinforce the importance of correct behaviour when travelling on a bus and the safety issues involved if a child misbehaves.



Staff Changes in 2016

We are very sad to see Miss Brechin leave our school at the end of the school year. She and her fiancé have purchased a home in the Barraba area and Miss Brechin has been fortunate to obtain a teaching position at Barraba Central. Miss Brechin has been a wonderful asset to our school because of her enthusiasm, dedication and commitment to her teaching, the students and the school community. She will be sorely missed. We have been very fortunate in gaining Mr Nicholas Clark to our staff. Mr Clark comes highly recommended as a teacher and colleague. His skills include technology, sport and K-2 teaching. We look forward to welcoming Mr Clark to our staff.



meet & greet Afternoon Tea

Mrs Markwick is holding another afternoon get together 'chat' time over a cuppa next Monday 16th November commencing at 2:00pm in the library. All parents, toddlers and friends are welcomed. Constable Seers will be the guest speaker discussing his role within the community. The visitors can then attend our weekly school assembly at 3:00pm and then take their children home at 3:15pm. We would love to see you!

School Reports



The end of year reports (Semester 2) are currently being compiled by Miss Brechin and myself. This year we are having 3 way interviews. Parents will receive their child's report when they attend the interview and the child's progress and future learning directions will be discussed by the teacher, parent and child in a fifteen minute interview. The planned date for the 3 way interviews is Wednesday 9th December. Further information and appointment preference sheets will be sent home closer to the date.

Assembly Awards

White Merit Awards:

Tiarna Harrison, Ella Severin, Naomi Evans, Macey Holden each received one merit award and Tiara Marwick received two merit awards.

Terrific Award:

Benny Markwick for terrific effort in Maths.

Superstar Award:

Annie Hook for super discussion in Reading groups with Mrs Stoker.



CWA Invitation

Somerton C.W.A. would like to extend invitation to all school mothers to attend their meetings. They are held in the Somerton Hall @ 9.30am with morning tea & the meeting to start at 10 am. The meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday each month. Please contact Judith Doyle on telephone 6769 7563 for more information.



TERM 4 2015 DATES:

6	9 3pm Assembly	10	11 9:30-11:00am: Playgroup	12 9:30-11:30am: Kinder Orientation Music Library	13 10am-Netball Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
7	16 2pm: Meet & Greet 3pm Assembly	17	18 9:30-11:00am: Playgroup	19 Music Library	20 10am-Netball Tea Towel Orders Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
8	23 3pm Assembly	24	25 9:30-11:00am: Playgroup	26 Library	27 10am-Netball Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
9	30 Swim School	1 December Swim School	2 Swim School 9:30-11:00am: Playgroup	3 Swim School Library	4 Swim School Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
10	7 3pm Assembly	8	9 Parent/Teacher Interviews	10 6pm: Annual Presentation Night	11 Year 6 Farewell Home Readers Numeracy @ Home
11	14	15	16 Students last day for 2015 Happy Holidays ☺	17 Staff Development Day	18 Staff Development Day NOTE: No staff will be present @ school today

Good for Kids good for life

Cool & Healthy Summer Snacks

The weather is warming up so here are some healthy snacks to keep you cool this summer:

- Frozen fruit such as berries, orange quarters and fruit kebabs
- Use moulds and low fat yoghurt to make frozen yoghurt shapes
- Make your own icy poles using 99% fruit juice and fresh pieces of fruit
- Make your own 'ice cream' using mashed up bananas (it's deliciously creamy!)
- Use fruit, vegetables and low fat milk or water to make a delicious smoothie and top with plenty of ice. There are heaps of different combinations to try!

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Packing a Safe Lunchbox

Myth: It gets too hot to pack cooked meat, dairy, eggs or other high-risk foods in children's lunchboxes

Fact: You can safely pack these types of perishable foods by doing the following:



- Use a good quality insulated lunch box
- Pack a freezer block or frozen drink with the cool items
- Pack the perishable foods close to the frozen item to keep them cool
- Encourage your child to keep their bag out of the sun
- Throw out any uneaten food at the end of the day

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STYLE C001



STYLE C002



STYLE C003



GIFT PACK (3)

FESTIVE TEA TOWELS
3 GREAT DESIGNS TO COMPLIMENT YOUR HOME AT CHRISTMAS
OR AN ATTRACTIVE GIFT.

HIGH QUALITY AND DURABILITY
50 X 70CM
100% COTTON

BUY SINGLE TEA TOWELS FOR \$6.99 OR SET OF 3 FOR \$15.99

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Order number:	www.somerton-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Expected Delivery Date:	7th December 2015
School	Somerton Primary

Name	Phone Number	Gift Pack (3) \$15.99	C001 \$6.99	C002 \$6.99	C003 \$6.99	Subtotal

Return order form before 20th November 2015 (fundraising@countrybreeze.com.au)

SK8 THUNDERDOME

7 – 11 Anne Street, TAMWORTH NSW 2340

4th November 2015

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

We are excited to announce that SK8 Thunderdome – Tamworth's most affordable Family Fun Centre will be open offering schools the opportunity to reward their students with a Roller Skating excursion at a special price. From now until the end of term SK8 thunderdome is offering weekday session times for 1 to 2 hours for a special rate of \$7.00 per child including skate hire, + each child (and staff member) will leave with a free pass. Booking essential, minimum number of 20.

The Owners: Ingrid and Michael Lorberg have been working hard for the last 12 months to have the rink rolling for the community. Ingrid and Michael have extensive experience in the skating field having been involved with Roller and Inline Skating for over 25 years as a couple, Michael has been skating for 42 years and is a multiple State and National Champion.

The Venue: The once Basketball Stadium on Anne Street, Tamworth has been transformed into a 1,150m² Roller Skating Rink, equipped with skate hire, cafeteria, comfortable booths, pro shop, child care area and much, much more. Come and check us out – everyone is welcome!



We look forward to seeing you on the Rink.

Yours faithfully

INGRID LORBERG
OWNER/OPERATOR

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SCHOOL HOLIDAY SESSIONS

School Holiday Sessions will commence from Saturday 19 December with our normal weekend session times as below. We will be open on weekdays during the Holiday Period for two (2) sessions daily on Tuesdays to Fridays from 10:00am to midday (12:00pm) and from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. Roller skates and inline skates are available for hire for \$2.00

All Sessions are \$10.00 entry plus skate hire.

NORMAL BUSINESS TRADING TIMES (During Daylight savings)

- After School Drop In 4.00pm to 5:30pm (not during school holidays)
- Friday Night Party Night 7:00pm to 9:00pm
- Saturday Morning Learn to Skate 10:00am to 10:30am
- Saturday Morning Session 10:30 to 12:00pm
- Saturday Afternoon Session 2:00pm to 4:00pm
- Saturday Night Session –Family time 6.30pm to 8.00pm, adults only 8.00pm to 9.30pm
- Sunday Afternoon
- Sunday Family Session 4:00pm to 6:00pm
- Family Rates Available
- Week Day Activities and bookings available on enquiry
- Speed Skating is on Thursday nights from 6:00pm,
- Roller skates and Inline skates will be available for hire
- Check out our Facebook Page or web page for any other details or telephone the Office on 02 6762 7999.

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