



A Window into Somerton PS

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Term 2 Week 10

Quality teaching and learning, excellent facilities and enriching programs.

School Week	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 10 June	22 10am Flag Raising Assembly NAIDOC WEEK	23	24 11:30am Tennis Coaching	25	26 Last Day Term 2 Have a wonderful Holiday

Message from the Principal

Staff

Thank you to the staff of Somerton School for their dedication and support this term. You create a positive team atmosphere and go 'above and beyond' everyday to ensure the students of Somerton School learn with purpose. Congratulations! I am extremely proud of you.

Questacon

On Thursday Questacon Science Show visited our school. Attunga School joined us for the show where the students and guests learned about flight and bubbles. The Questacon team were very captivating, informative and knowledgeable. The students demonstrated great thinking and problem solving skills. Please check the school website for photos and video clips.

Tamworth Excursion

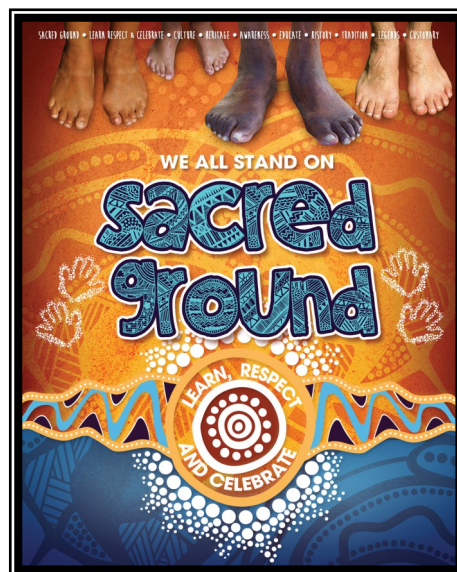
Last Friday the students and teachers participated in the Tamworth Excursion incorporating three events. They watched the stage play 'The Gruffalo's Child', viewed the Regional Arts Gallery where they learned about how wool turns into felt then into artworks. Next they were off to visit the Tamworth Regional Library where they had a tour and the Librarian read the book of the stage play to the students. They collected free pizzas and travelled back to school where they shared the pizzas and the donated poppers (from Owen & Ian).



Inaugural Aboriginal Flag Raising Assembly

Congratulations to Somerton School for a remarkable Flag Raising Assembly. It was a very significant event and I am extremely proud of the students and staff of Somerton School for all their efforts in organising this assembly.

Our official guests, Mr Kevin Anderson MP Tamworth, Ms Ruythe Dufty Director of Schools New England South, Mrs Gae Swain Deputy Major Gunnedah, Mr Russell Webb Tamworth Councillor, Pauline Bielfeld Guest Speaker and Artist and Mrs Shanyyn Worley Relieving Principal Somerton were welcomed by Charlotte. Our students, staff, parents and community members were treated to an outstanding assembly run by Ben and Charlotte. Tiara and Tiarna delivered the 'Welcome to Country'



Mr Kevin Anderson spoke about the significance of the day and the special things about Somerton School. Mrs Worley delivered the NAIDOC message 'We all stand on Sacred ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate' and related the history of the Somerton area.

Our special guest speaker and artist, Pauline Bielfeld, along with Benny Markwick raised the Aboriginal Flag together as the didgeridoo music played. A very proud moment for both people as it was their first time and meant the world to them. Next Somerton students performed 'I am Australian' first in Kamilaroi then Australian. They were absolutely fabulous!

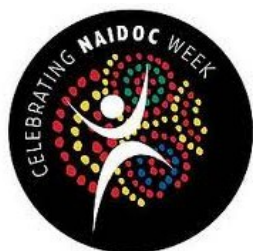
Our school leaders Ben and Tiara cut the cake to signify the celebration of NAIDOC Week.

Our guest speaker Pauline spoke the significance of the day for her and how learning, having respect and celebrating are key to being successful. Pauline presented her amazing artworks to Somerton School. The 'Welcome to Somerton School' artworks consist of 6 artworks which are superb and are very meaningful.

Our official guests were asked to plant a tree in remembrance of this significant day. The trees were kindly donated by Nancy Small from the Gunnedah Wildlife Park.

On finishing the assembly everyone stayed for morning tea and a chat, which was lovely.

NAIDOC Week



Our guest artist Pauline taught the students how to create an aboriginal artwork. She very kindly donated objects for the students to paint. They learned about the meaning attached to the symbols in the artwork.

Pauline judged our colouring in competition and the winners received fantastic prizes donated by Mrs Wilson. Winners were: Charlotte, Benny, Annie and Jye.

Mrs Wilson taught the students about beading and everyone created their own design to make a bracelet.

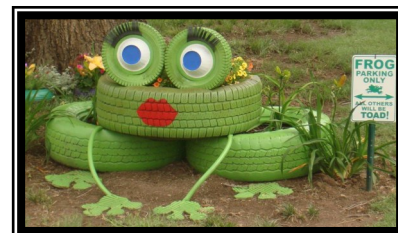
2MO Radio

The students were very excited this morning to hear themselves singing 'I am Australian' in Kamilaroi language and Australian. 2MO radio will be back out at Somerton School on Thursday afternoon to interview some students. The radio will play the segment on Friday. Thank you 2MO!



Green Frogs

The students have been involved in creating Green Frogs gardens for our playground and Monday they painted the car tyres green, however some students have paint on their uniform which is unfortunate as they had paint shirts on during the session.



Handy Tips for Parents to Remove Paint

Here is a link to ways you can remove paint:

<http://www.kidspot.com.au/funzone/Stain-removal-How-to-remove-paint-stains+5735+575+article.htm>

Other suggestions including:

- "Lift-Off" spray on - available from paint stores
- Rubbing alcohol

Recipes

Here are more recipes from cooking lessons that students may like to try in the holidays!



Pancakes

Ingredients	Method
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1 3/4 cups milk• 2 eggs• 1 teaspoon vanilla essence• 2 cups self-raising flour• 1/3 cup caster sugar• butter	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Whisk milk, eggs & vanilla together in a jug.2. Sift flour into a large bowl & stir in sugar.3. Make a well in the centre & whisk in milk mixture & return to jug..4. Melt butter in frying pan & pour in small amounts of the mixture.5. Cook pancakes for 2 minutes or until bubbles appear on the surface. Turn and cook for a further 1-2 minutes or until cooked through.

Sausage Rolls

Ingredients	Method
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 sheets thawed puff pastry• 1 1/2 cups grated cheese• 24 chipolata sausages• 2 eggs, lightly whisked• 2 tbsp sesame seeds• tomato sauce	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Preheat oven to 220°C.2. Cut pastry sheets in half & then each half into thirds.3. Sprinkle cheese evenly over pastry.4. Place a sausage onto edge of pastry & roll pastry around sausage.5. Place on a baking tray.6. Brush with egg & sprinkle with seeds.7. Bake for 18-20 mins.

Farewell

The time has come for me to leave the school as Mrs Reid will be back next term. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at Somerton School as it is a unique place filled with lovely people, who are passionate about the school. It is sad to leave such beautiful students and staff. We have learned a lot this term and shared in events with the community.

All these times will be held specially in all our hearts. I wish everyone a safe and happy future filled with celebrations. I will be returning to Gunnedah South School, so if you are in there, pop in and say hello.

Have a happy and safe holiday.

Kind Regards

Shanyn Worley

Relieving Principal



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NAIDOC Week Inaugural Aboriginal Flag Raising Assembly



SPRING RIDGE BUSHFIRE BRIGADE

FIREWORKS DISPLAY AND BONFIRE NIGHT

When:

11th July 2015

Where:

**Spring Ridge
Country Club**



Highlights

- Gates Open 5pm
- BBQ
- Bar Facilities (No BYO)
- Bring a Chair
- Gate Charge \$20 per Car
- Fireworks Display 7pm