



Term 4 – Week 7

Thursday, 22nd November, 2012

Principals Report

Jackie French excursion to Wallerawang

Yesterday the children enjoyed the trip to Wallerawang to listen to Jackie French. Here are some of the stories K/1 have written about the excursion;

I loved the noises her pet wombat made.
Gracey Vanderhaar

Her pet wombat loved eating carrots. Connor Hoson

I think it was very funny when the wombat
bashed the bin up to get the carrots.
Joaquin Taylor

“Dancing Kangaroo” was created when Jackie was
driving home and the kangaroos looked like they were
dancing to her car radio. Brodie Dean



The storybook “the Flood”
is a sad story about a dog
that had to be left behind
when the town flooded.
Samara Morgan

Head Lice

They are back!

Our “friends” nits are back again. Please check your child’s hair for any sign of these persistent little creatures. There are a number of treatments available that vary in price and method of application.

Nits At a glance:

- Head lice and nits only live on human heads.
- They don't care if the hair is long or short, clean or dirty.

- Head lice are an unavoidable fact of life for all school-aged kids.
- The best and cheapest way to remove them is with inexpensive conditioner and a nit comb.
- You will need to re-treat your child several times before all the eggs will be gone.

Some excellent information regarding nits and advice on treatment can be found at <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/removing-head-lice-and-nits>

Featherdale Excursion

Kindergarten, Years 1 & 2 had a wonderful excursion last Friday. The weather wasn’t the best but we still had a great day.

It was a pleasure to take such interested and well behaved children on an excursion.

It is also wonderful to watch their excited faces, as they spot the Australian animals we have been learning about in class. Photos will follow in next week’s newsletter.

Regional Principal’s Conference

Yesterday, I attended the final Principal’s conference in Dubbo. Principals were briefed on the realignment process and were able to assist with plans to ensure continuity of programs offered by our region.

Australian Curriculum

Next week Mrs Corney and I will be attending the initial meeting to plan for the implementation of the curriculum.

Eskbank House Walk

This walking excursion is scheduled for tomorrow and is covered by your child’s Walker’s Permission note. We will be walking to Eskbank House, having a look at the Primary By Design exhibition and having lunch in the grounds of the museum.

If it is wet tomorrow the excursion will be cancelled.

Swimming School

We have 37 children attending swimming everyday over 2 weeks. Learning to swim is an essential lifelong skill and I appreciate parents supporting this program. Thanks to Mrs Corney who is instructing and getting in the pool with the children and Mrs Wright is also attending daily to assist with supervision.



Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Dinner

Preparations are well under way for our inaugural dinner. The night is promising to be a great experience. We still have seats available and have extended the closing date to RSVP until **tomorrow Friday 23rd November**. We are hoping more parents will attend to show their support of the success of this innovative programme. If you are interested in attending please contact the school so that we can give you a menu.

Bunyip's Christmas

Funded by the Baal Bone colliery donation Kindergarten, Year 1 & Year 2 will be participating in a video conference on Thursday 29th November from 1.45 - 3.00pm.

This connected learning experience will be the culmination of our study on Australian animals and will include further study on the author Jackie French.

Parents please note:

The video conference does not conclude until 3.00pm therefore we ask that parents collect the infants children @ 3pm (not 2.50pm).

We apologise for this but the sessions are very popular and we didn't want the children to miss out. Bus children will catch the bus as normal.

Reminders

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Dinner

Don't miss out on your place at this exciting event. Please RSVP and pay for your ticket ASAP to ensure your seat. Once you have paid for your ticket you will receive a detailed menu for the evening.

Lost Keys

Two sets of keys have been handed in to the office. Please check with your child if they have misplaced a set of keys or if you are missing a set please come in and check if they belong to you.

*Kind Regards
Vicki Gillmore*

P & C NEWS:

Canteen

There is **no canteen this Friday** due to the Eskbank House excursion.

Next P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting is at 1.45pm on Tuesday, 4th December.

Christmas Hamper

Our hamper is slowly growing, raffle tickets will be sent home soon. Please return them with an item for donation to the hamper.

Christmas Carols

Keep **Wednesday 12th December 2012** free for a night of carols, bbq, Santa and chocolate wheel fun under the stars in our beautiful grounds.



This event is always an enjoyable evening and a great opportunity to relax while the kids play together. We will have a bbq, tea/coffee and cake, chocolate wheel, draw the raffle for our hamper and if my information is correct Santa will also be joining us.

The evening starts at **6.00pm** bring along your friends, family and celebrate Christmas Zig Zag style.



Combined Schools Chocolate Wheel

Each year Zig Zag, Lithgow and Coorwull Public Schools run a Chocolate Wheel in Cook Street Plaza. Prizes include Christmas Hams, Turkeys and "pick of the table" which are usually gift items. This year the chocolate wheel is scheduled for 13th December 2012.

We will need parent volunteers to come and sell tickets on the night. The event usually runs for an hour to an hour and a half and is a very pleasant evening.

Community News

Crystal Theatre Portland

Sat 8 Dec 2012 2.00pm Hotel Transylvania (PG)
 Sat 8 Dec 2012 7.00pm Argo (PG-13)

Tickets only \$6.00

CALENDAR

Term 4

Week 7

Friday 23/11/12 Swimming School
 Eskbank House Walking
 Excursion

Week 8

Thursday 29/11/12 Swimming School
 LaSalle Transition
 Bunyip's Christmas VC
 Friday 30/11/12 SAKG Dinner

Week 9

Monday 3/12/12 Combined Carols @ LHS
 Friday 7/12/12 Bike Day

Week 10

Wednesday 12/12/12 Zig Zag PS Carols 6pm

Week 11

Monday 17/12/12 Presentation Day
 Tuesday 18/12/12 Class Parties
 Wednesday 19/12/12 Last day of school for students
 Thursday 20/12/12 Staff Development Day @ LHS
 Friday 21/12/12 Staff Development Day @ LHS

