Culture Day
From the Principal’s Desk

Dear Parents / Caregivers

Last week our new Principal, Alison Rourke visited the school to meet the staff and students for the first time. We are extremely fortunate to have Alison as our new Principal and we are very much looking forward to her leading the school at the beginning of next year. Alison will bring a wealth of expertise to Buxton Public School and is equally excited about leading our students and staff in 21st century learning.

There are a number of events happening in the next few days and I hope you are able to join us for some of them. Tomorrow night we have our ‘Christmas Concert’. Each class has been busily preparing their performance and the children are very excited about performing in front of their families and friends. The children should not arrive before 6.00 p.m. and the concert will commence at 6.30 p.m. Students will need to go to their classroom where they will be supervised by teachers for the duration of the concert. Please make sure you sign your child out at the end of the evening.

On Monday we have our ‘Celebration of Learning’ assembly in which students will receive recognition for their achievements. Kindergarten and Year 6 will also graduate at this assembly. Ms Gentleman will also visit us on Monday so we can say farewell on her retirement.

Yesterday, members of the choir visited the Queen Victoria nursing home in Picton to sing Christmas carols to the residents. It was a lovely experience to see our students perform and enchant the residents. Thank you to Mrs Roberts for organising the performance and for leading the choir. I’d also like to thank the many parents who accompanied us to provide transport to and from the Queen Vic as well as supporting the children’s performance.

At this stage, next year our school will be comprised of 7 classes. It is possible that we may hold 8 classes if we have some additional enrolments at the beginning of next year. The class structure for 2016 will change if additional students enrol in the first two weeks of Term One. Therefore, it is not wise to announce classes before the school holidays commence.

Finally, I would like to thank the staff for their wonderful support whilst I have been relieving in the Principal role for the past three terms. I am very fortunate to be part of such a committed and hard-working team of people. I have enjoyed the experience and look forward to returning to classroom teaching next year.

I’d like to wish each of you a very happy Christmas and New Year.

Sue Davis
Relieving Principal
UPCOMING EVENTS
Term 4

Tuesday, 8 December: P & C Meeting 6:30pm

Thursday, 10 December: Christmas Concert Evening
Performance 6:30p  (students to arrive 6pm)

Monday, 14 December: Celebration of Learning
Assembly 9:30am

Tuesday, 15 December: Class parties

Wednesday, 16 December: Last day for students

2016

Thursday, 28 Jan 2016: Students return (Yrs 1-6)

Monday, 1 Feb 2016: Kindergarten Start

9:30am—2:30pm first week
8:55am—3pm rest of year

ASSEMBLY AWARDS
Friday, 27 November 2015

KB: Excellence in Learning: Joshua
Student of the Week: Hayleigh, Harley
Writer’s Award: Gracie
PBL “Responsible” Award: Benjamin, Lana, Kade, Paige, Holly, Gracie
PBL “Learner” Award: Khaylan, Jayleigh

K1U: Excellence in Learning: Ivy
Student of the Week: Sophie, Joshua
Writer’s Award: Rhys
PBL “Learner” Award: Jaxon, Gwen, Peyton
PBL “Responsible” Award: Gwen, Peyton

1/2X: Excellence in Learning: Kobi
Student of the Week: Isabella, Lachlan
Writer’s Award: Lily E

2T: Excellence in Learning: Isabella
Student of the Week: Madison, Lucas
Writer’s Award: Jai

3/4N: Excellence in Learning: Aleisha
Student of the Week: Chinnelle, Ryan C
Writer’s Award: Ryan H
PBL “Learner” Award: Heath
PBL “Responsible” Award: Eli

3/4O: Excellence in Learning: Harry
Student of the Week: Shae, Justin
Writer’s Award: Tayla
PBL “Responsible” Award: Bladyn

5/6P: Excellence in Learning: Tarlyia
Student of the Week: Lauri, Nelson
Writer’s Award: Samantha
PBL “Learner” Award:
Jairn, Keith, Jade, Samantha, Amber, Ashley, Brittany, Lauri, Nelson, James, Isaac,
PBL “Responsible” Award:
Ashley, Isacc, Amber, Lauri, Alexandra, Tarlyia

5/6 S: Excellence in Learning: Kiarri
Student of the Week: Chloe, Chad
Writer’s Award: Victoria
PBL “Learner” Award:
Cameron, Luke, Oscar, Brooke, Jason, Harry
PBL “Responsible” Award:
Brooke, Jessica, Cameron

UNIFORM SHOP
Uniform Shop will be open on
Wednesday, 27 January 2016
8:30 - 9:30am
Challenging Behaviours Collaborative Workshops

The workshop is aimed at parents only with children diagnosed with ADHD, Oppositional Defiant Disorder (ODD), or Conduct Disorder (CD) or challenging behaviours.

Highlights
- Initial assessment and the relationship to a challenging behaviour
- Looking for and identifying key skills in ADHD, ODD, or CD
- Factors and patterns in managing behaviour
- Strategies to reduce behaviour

This workshop is not for workers. For families only.
Venue: Bussa, 322 Main Street, The Dale.
Date: Thursday 4th February 2016 and every Thursday after until Thursday 24th March 2016. Time: 6:30 pm-8:30 pm. Cost: $100 donations.
All sessions need to be attended.
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