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Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 7

Dear Parents

Term four is an extra busy time for teachers and I would like to thank all of my staff who are working so hard to get everything completed before the end of year.

Reports and portfolios are being completed, performances are being practiced, the 'Perthville Possums' transition program is coming to an end with a full day today, graduation is being planned, Year 6 are visiting high school twice this term, and staff development day preparations are also occurring. A busy time!

House Points Winners – Wombats!

Congratulations Wombats; house point winners for the fortnight. Pictured are Taylor and Jessica with the house point's trophy. Who will be this year's winners?



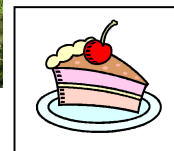
Blue Star & Gold Awards

Congratulations to this week's Blue Star award winners – Amelia M, Nick A, Dylan P, Riley P, Joshua M and Georgie W. Well done to all of you!

Congratulations to Amelia M, Joshua M and Brianna A – Each received a gold award this week. Well done!



Happy Birthday Mrs Hotham – Today and Mr Martin - Last Monday



Perthville Ball Games Team Bring back trophy!

Making Mrs Law very proud was the PPS ball games team. Apparently they were amazing! Quick, skilled and super organised. They brought home the trophy (to its rightful place of course!) and were all smiles after gala day. Well done to all award winners on the day, I was extremely proud of all of you!



Possums Finish Up Today!

Congratulations to all our Possums who have completed the transition program today. A huge thank you to Mrs Bicanic, who has done a great job settling in all our new people. Thanks must also go to Year 5. They were amazing in the care and love shown to the children. Well done everyone, a very successful program.



Calendars have arrived – And they look GREAT!!

Today each child who ordered a calendar will have it in their bag. They look fantastic. Thank you to Jenny Cheesman for organising this fantastic fund raiser for the school.

Healthy Wraps – Made by Kindergarten

As part of Kindergarten's Science unit on 'What's For Lunch' – Children followed a procedure to make a healthy wrap for their Friday picnic. The students used ham, cheese, carrot, lettuce and tomato. Well done Kindergarten! We even had a picnic with 1/2 while the big kids were at Gala Day. A fun time!



Presentation Day – Friday 9th December 12pm
Graduation Night – Monday 12th December 6pm

Year 5 Leadership Speeches

Congratulations to all 12 year 5 students who decided to put their hand up for Leadership Representation in 2012. The votes will be counted this week and leadership positions will be announced at Presentation Day. Good luck to all candidates and well done!



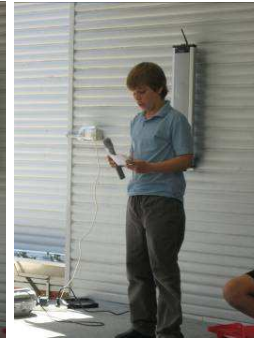
Tyler



Harry



Ethan



Will



Elijah



Cooper



Eve



Hannah



Michael



Heather



Jessica



Brianna

Virtual Excursions and Video Conferencing – Exciting Lessons at PPS

Tomorrow the 1/2 class and 2/3 class commence their virtual learning with a 'Meet Banjo - Australia's scariest dinosaur'. Here is some information about the content of this fantastic virtual lesson. Thank you Mrs Hotham for organising this event.

Meet Banjo – (*Australovenator wintonensis*), Australia's scariest dinosaur. We have just started to find lots of dinosaurs in Australia. Why now? Where exactly was Banjo found? This VC starts with an overview of Banjo's discovery as an inspiring chapter in Australian history. Students will see the environment Banjo was discovered in central Queensland and compare this to the environment 100 mya when Banjo lived and hunted. The VC will also focus on key features of this carnivorous dinosaur. Students will learn about different aspects of this fierce killing machine, including slicing teeth and piercing claws.

Exciting news! Perthville Public School Communicating with Canada.

Class 2/3 will be communicating with two schools in Ontario Canada - Sturgeon Creek Elementary School and Sturgeon Creek Alternative Program. These schools are in small rural communities in North America on the United States border, 4 to 5 hours away from large cities. Currently they are enjoying snow each day as we lead up to Christmas. Our children will begin by writing to each other using a blog and then meet in a virtual classroom and share their experiences of Christmas.

This is a very exciting opportunity and we are looking to increasing this contact next year to include our other classes.

K-2 Visit 'Kids Alive Do the 5' Show

On Tuesday Kinder, Year one and Year two students travelled to Bathurst to watch a special show about water safety. We met Lil the Lifesaver and Owl and Boo. We learnt the 5 rules about pools and staying safe around water. Even Mrs Law had to practice the dance moves!

- 1 Fence the pool
- 2 Shut the Gate
- 3 Teach your kids to swim its great
- 4 Supervise, watch your mate and
- 5 Learnt how to resuscitate!



Year 5/6 Personal Development Talk

Mrs Kinlyside and Mrs Law will be holding Personal Development talks with 5/6 class this Friday. Lessons will include basic information about puberty, changes to their bodies, feelings and relationships. These lessons are also conducted with the community nurse throughout the senior years but we feel an extra little talk before high school will be beneficial.

P&C Dinner

The P&C members will be having a dinner at the Bridge Hotel at 7pm on Thursday 8th December. All Welcome to come along and celebrate this years achievements.

Last Day for Borrowing - Library Day – Tomorrow

Don't forget your library bag!



All Books need to be returned from Thursday 1st December

School Uniforms

A reminder that students are expected in correct summer uniform each day. Uniform makes our students feel smart, strong and proud. **Rabun shoes and tights** are not part of our uniform policy and should not be worn. All uniform is tax deductible, available from the office or by seeing Mrs Lea on Wednesdays at 3.30 in our Uniform shop (Office Area).



Scripture Christmas Concert & Volunteers Wanted!

Our special Christmas service will be held on Tuesday 13th December at 9.30 in the COLA. Everyone is welcome to attend.

In 2012 we will require an additional scripture teacher due to the departure of Mrs Hays. If you are interested please contact the office.

Music By The Bridge – 2012 Date 10th March

Term 4

November

23rd Possums stay all day til 3.25pm
23rd Mrs Hotham's B'day – 21 again!!!
29th Kindergarten to St Anne's 2.30pm

December

1st Seaforth Public School Band to visit
5th Year 6 Orientation Day – Kelso High & Bathurst High
9th Presentation Day 12pm
12th Year 6 Graduation 6pm
13th Scripture Service 9.30am
14th Reports out – Home with students
15th Movie Day at School
16th Last Day for Students
19th Staff Development Day - Small Schools Mandatory Training
20th Staff Development Day - Perthville Staff - 2012 Yearly Planning

January

27th Staff Development Day - Perthville Staff
30th All children return to School