

Burren Junction PS Newsletter

Term 4 Week 4

3rd November 2017

'Look, Listen and Think'





Recently Primrose Slack-Smith was nominated for the Fred Hollows humanitarian award.

This Award recognises Year 6 students who follow in Fred's footsteps by making a positive difference, it celebrates students who show compassion, integrity and kindness in their everyday lives, just as Fred did. When so many people are rewarded for their academic and sporting success, the Fred Hollows' foundation wanted to award students for being kind to others. Teachers, principals, family or community members nominate the year 6 student in 100 words, with not all nominations being accepted.

On Monday 23rd October, Primrose and fellow NSW nominees were honoured in a ceremony at NSW Parliament House, Sydney. Gabby Hollows and the NSW Minister of Education Rob Stokes presented the students with their nominee certificates and announced the winner for 2017.

Although Primrose did not win, she was a very deserving nominee and should be very proud of herself, as we all are. Below is a copy of the nomination that was sent in:

"Primrose follows in Fred's steps, leading her community through her role of school Prime Minister of 2017. She displays kindness to fellow students, guiding the younger students through the complex schooling life.

On the simplest level, Prim is a role model to young girls that eagerly follow in her footsteps, showing them how to conduct themselves with grace and integrity. Even when times are tough it doesn't deter her from being the inspiring leader she is. I hope that when my daughter grows up she will conduct herself in the same fashion and treat others the way Prim does.

Primrose is exactly what Fred would want a role model to be; poised, gentle, humble, compassionate and a humanitarian."

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Hello From the Principal...

Remembrance Day



Next Friday, the 10th of November, Burren Junction Public School will be holding a Remembrance Day service at the Burren Junction School of Arts' Hall at 2:15pm. This will take the place of our usual Friday assembly.

As part of the acknowledgement of the end of World War One the school is also going to collect soil from the site to be sent away to Sydney. The ANZAC memorial in Hyde Park is going to be the place that will house 600 soil samples from around NSW as part of an art installation that is being prepared for the 2018 centenary of the end of World War One.

We welcome all families and friends to our Remembrance Day assembly on Friday.

Our students and their achievements

It is always a joy to be able to report on the achievements of our wonderful Burren Junction students.

On Monday the 23rd of October, our Prime Minister, Primrose, went to Sydney to the Fred Hollows Foundation's annual awards. Primrose was successfully nominated for this award by her 2016 teacher Miss Paull and Ms Howie. Ms Howie has written a lovely piece about Primrose's nomination and I have included this in the newsletter.

Arki and Max completed at the Inter Schools Horse Extravaganza in Tamworth early in October with great success. Max won the 8 Year Old Sporting Highest Point Score and went on to win Sporting High Point Junior Champion 12 Years & Under. Arki placed in the top three in each of the events that he participated in. Congratulations to both boys for such a magnificent effort!

Assessment Week

Next week the teachers will be collecting student assessment data ready to inform their report writing. This data is also collected by the school and will assist the teachers and I to further develop our Burren Junction school plan for the next three years.

Year 6 fundraising

The Year 6 parliamentarians are enjoying their fundraising schedule this term. So far they have had a lolly guessing competition and a Halloween mufti day— all hugely successful events. Next week the children will be selling Zooper Doopers at lunchtime on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for 50 cents and one dollar.

A big thank you to you all for supporting Year 6's fundraising efforts.

LMBR update

Thank you to Miss McLay who is doing a terrific job in the office as we move into the new LMBR systems. If you have any queries about how to make online payments using the POP system then please contact the office for assistance.

2017 Inter-Schools Horse Extrate High Point Junior Champio 12 years & under



Transition Parent Meeting

On Thursday the 9th of November I am looking forward to meeting all the Kinder Transition parents here at school at 2:15pm to discuss our wonderful school, the enrolment procedures and what to expect in 2018. See you all then!



Reminders....

- School year book articles to be submitted via email in word document by Friday 7th November
- If you have any trophies at home please return them by Friday 7th November
- Payments to school to be completed via POP on the BJPS website link 'make a payment'



Upcoming Dates:

6th Nov Assessment week

9th Nov Transition Parent Meeting

8th Dec Year 6 Luncheon

• 12th Dec Speech Day

15th Dec Last day of the school year for students

• 18-19th Dec School Office OPEN

• 6th Feb Term 1, 2018, starts

13th Feb Swimming carnival, Narrabri

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