

Burren Junction PS Newsletter

Term 4 Week 8

1st December, 2017

'Look, Listen and Think'



Today's assembly was dedicated to acknowledging all those children in Year 2 to Year 6 who undertook the ICAS assessments this year.

The ICAS assessments are conducted by the University of NSW. This year the assessments tested Science, Spelling, Digital Technologies, Mathematics, English and Writing.

Congratulations children on your achievements! I look forward to BJPS children participating in these assessments again in 2018. (See results on page 3.)

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Hello From the Principal...

Dear parents,

The 2017 school year is coming to a rather swift end but in true Burren style we have lots of events and interesting things happening right up to the end of the year.

The week 8 newsletter will be sent out electronically prior to the paper copy going out on Monday. I am doing this in order to have the ICAS and Market Project photographs included in this newsletter.

Silver Awards

Many children have now reached the Silver Award level and I encourage all children to take their badge to Miss McLay to have their badge updated.

Congratulations to all children who are now at Silver level.

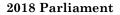
Swimming Program



The first week of our two week swimming program is now complete. The children's confidence and skills in the water is increasing everyday which is marvellous to see. This will set each child up for success in the swimming carnival next year which is scheduled for Tuesday the 13th of February in Narrabri.

A big thank you to our teachers for running this program across the whole school.

Any family still requiring a Walgett Shire family swim pass are to contact the school office to organise their payment.



I met with the Year 5 aspirants today to talk to them about doing their speeches next week for the 2018 leadership positions. This will entail the Kindergarten to Year 5 students listening to the speeches and then voting to elect the Prime Minister, Deputy Prime Minister and the various ministers for our 2018 Parliament. All the best wishes to the Year 5 students as they prepare their persuasive speeches for this event. The results of the voting will then be revealed at the school's end of year Speech Day.

Library

Today was the last library session for 2017. All children are to bring their books in throughout next week so that Mrs Stuart and Mrs Robyn Holcombe can start the annual stocktake. The first class to have all their books returned will be in the running for zoooper doopers for the whole class. This will be a cooling treat during the hot days to come. A big thank you to Mrs Stuart for putting many volunteer hours into the library this year. We really appreciate your efforts!

Year 5/6 Market Project

A big thank you to the school and community for supporting the 5/6 children with their Market Project today. It is fabulous to see how the 5/6 students were able to take their initial ideas and develop them into the range of products that they sold today. The leadership and negotiating skills the students developed through this process has been magnificent to witness. I wish to thank Mrs Powell and Mrs Carolan for finding the time to work with the class to develop their marketing strategies and financial plans. By participating in a Market Project the children were



taking their classroom learning and applying that to the real world. So congratulations to our students on their entrepreneurial journey. Thank you to those families who came into the school to purchase their goods today —I saw quite a number of the tyre swings being rolled out to cars!

Half of the profit from the Market Project Fair is going to the McGrath Foundation and the other half of the money is going to the Year 6 gift to the school.

Ms Suzanne Galvin (principal)



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ICAS Results 2017 by student name		
Sabrina	Merit –Science	
	Credit – Mathematics	
Zahra	Participation - Spelling Science, English, Mathematics	
Jock	Participation - Spelling, Writing, Science, English, Mathematics, Digital Technologies	
Lilly	Participation - Spelling, English	
Sam	Credit – Science Participation - Mathematics, Digital Technologies, English	
Chloe	Participation - Science, Mathematics	
Grace	Participation - Spelling, Writing, English, Mathematics	
Elke	Merit – Digital Technologies Credit – Science, English and Mathematics	
Max	Credit – English Participation - Spelling	
Milly	Participation – Mathematics	
Alli	Credit – Writing Participation – Spelling, Science, Digital Technologies, English	
Audrey	Participation – Science and Mathematics	
Sarah	Credit – Science, Mathematics Participation - Spelling, Writing, Digital Technologies, English	
Emma	Credit – Writing, Mathematics Participation – English	
Declan	Credit – Writing Participation - Spelling, Science, English, Mathematics, Digital Technologies	
Jenna	Merit – Spelling, Science, Participation – Writing, English, Mathematics	
Charlie	Merit – Mathematics Credit – Digital Technologies Participation – Spelling, Writing, English, Science	
Strath	Participation - Spelling	
Sophie J	Participation - Spelling	
Isabella	Distinction – Writing Participation – Spelling, English, Mathematics	
Sophie S	Credit – Writing Participation – Spelling, English, Mathematics	
Tom	Credit – Science, English, Mathematics,	

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Derign Competition Turning your imaginative design into a reality! **Open to all students at Burren Junction Public School** Parents and relatives are encouraged to assist! **DESIGN BRIEF** Purpose To enable children to have a place to read books which is accessible to them on the playground during the school day **Special features** Mobile Storage space for books Storage space for cushions Some seating space Materials (when the winning design is turned into reality it will be made of wood, metal and fabrics such as vinyl and polyester) **Submission date** All designs are to be submitted for judging to the school office by Friday the 8th of December, 2017 Students are welcome to get A3 and A4 paper off Ms Galvin for their entries

Winner's Prize: The joy of seeing your design being turned into a reality!

Upcoming Dates:

- 2nd Dec Colour Run Fundraiser
- 6th Dec Year 5 "2018 Parliament Aspirants" speeches and voting
- 8th Dec Year 6 Luncheon
- 12th Dec P&C meeting
- 12th Dec Speech Day
- 15th Dec
- 18-19th Dec
- Dec Last day of the school year for students 9th Dec School Office OPEN

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- 6th Feb Term 1, 2018, starts
- 13th Feb School swimming carnival, Narrabri
- 15th Feb Back Up date for the swimming carnival

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