



Burren Junction PS Newsletter

Term 4, Week 8

Friday 26th of November, 2021

'Look, Listen and Think'

From the Principal

Check-In Assessment: Year 3 – 6

Recently all the children in Year 3 – Year 6 undertook a reading and numeracy assessment here at school called the Check-In Assessment. These were devised by the NSW Department of Education last year when NAPLAN had to be cancelled



Our results were quite sensational and tracked quite well with our Year 3 and Year 5 NAPLAN results from May of this year. If you wish to know more about your child's individual results then please contact the class teacher for more information.

Wet Weather & Learning from Home

This week we organised at home packs for the children to take home in preparation for being at home for an extended period due to the weather. The older children have a school device and the class teacher has signed that out on your behalf. The Stage 2 & 3 teachers have been running zoom sessions this week however, with issues around connectivity and also the potential that our teachers will also be unable to get to school I am not sure what this will look like as we go into Week 9.

Year 5 Parliament Speeches

This week I met with the Year 5 students to talk to them about their speeches for the parliament elections. They will be working on a speech that is a persuasive piece and they are to focus on why they are a good leader. The parliament speeches and elections are on Tuesday the 7th of December, Week 10.

Due to the continued DoE Covid restrictions around visitors to the school site we are unable to have parents in for the speeches so we will be zooming this event so parents may watch the speeches. A link will be sent out closer to the date.

Staffing and Classes for 2022

During the week you received a letter regarding staffing and class structures for 2022. As a result of the Disaster Relief funding, which will be in place until 2023, we are able to continue with 3 classes in 2022; K-1; 2-3-4 and the 5-6 class.

With me on leave for the duration of 2022, Mrs Kate Slack-Smith will take on the role of relieving principal.

Upcoming Dates

26 th Nov	Tell Them From Me Survey closes
6 th Dec	Dress Rehearsal
7 th Dec	Y5 Parliament Speeches
8 th Dec	Filming of the Virtual School Play
14 th Dec	School Presentation Day
16 th Dec	Last Day of Term for students
8 th Feb	Return to School for all students, K- 6, 2022



Awards

Awards Week 7



Tell Them From Me Survey: Closes Today Friday 26th of November

Parents the Tell Them From Me Survey closes today, and we wish that all parents jump into the survey to provide us with your critical feedback. The link has been sent out electronically for you to complete this survey.

This survey is used to guide us in our decision making for 2022 and beyond so your input is very important.

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/bjps2021>

Covid-19 advice for Level 3 schools

The NSW Department of Education Covid-19 rules and regulations were updated

yesterday and there is very little change for us here at Burren Junction Public School to what was released on the 8th of November. Performances may resume at school however, without an audience. So, our play will be released as a movie, as previously advised.

Covid Intensive Learning Support Program (ILSP), 2022

I am pleased to announce that we have qualified for Covid ILSP funding for 2022. The amount is less than our 2021 funding so we will be unable to provide a homework club option in 2022. Mrs Cain will continue to roll out the Covid ILSP support for one day a

Guest Teacher Scott Hardy



week from Week 3 in Term 1 until mid-Term 4. She will work in the classes, Year 1 – Year 6, to provide support during the small group sessions in the classroom. This way, all children in the class will benefit from the funding, as it reduces the student to teacher ratio during these group work sessions.

Guest Teacher: Mr Hardy

Due to the floods, Burren Junction resident, Mr Hardy from Narrabri HS, has joined us for the duration. In the meantime, a number of our staff from Wee Waa have not been able to get into Burren Junction. Miss Coles, Mr Hardy and I will therefore continue to run the classes at Burren Junction Public School until things return to normal.

2022 Excursions—Updates

The NSW Department of Education's Covid advice is that overnight excursions are on hold until further notice, and we are waiting on the advice for 2022. However, we still need to plan for our overnight excursions in order to secure bookings. Mrs Deacon is planning the 3 day excursion to Lake Keepit for the Year 3 children and I have been working on the Sydney Excursion (Stage 3) as well as the Canberra

and the Snow excursion (Y4 – Y6). Once dates can be confirmed then we will organise meetings to discuss the excursions and the need for volunteers.

Sydney Excursion: Year 5 & 6, T2, 2022

All the current Year 4 and Year 5 parents have agreed to the school rescheduling the 2021 Sydney excursion to 2022. I have been able to secure three apartments in Pymont for our 12 students, two teachers and 2-3 parent volunteers, and this will be at no cost to the school. Mrs Slack-Smith, as relieving principal, will head this excursion. I will be in contact with the parents who volunteered to assist on this excursion to organise the numbers, as we can only take a maximum of 3 parents. Thank you to all our parents for completing the survey that went out and for all of your generous offers to assist.

Perpetual Trophies

We request that all perpetual trophies be returned so that we can get them engraved for the 2021 recipients.

Ms Suzanne Galvin—principal

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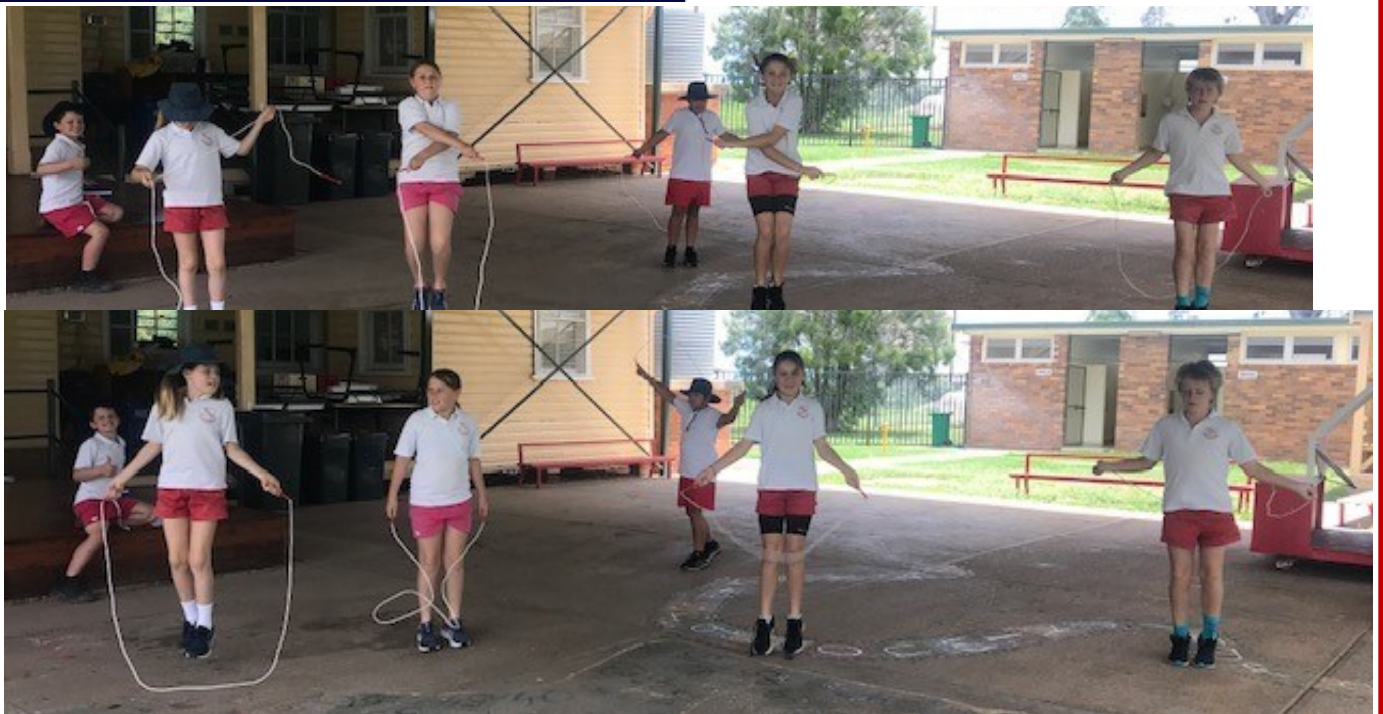
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Twilight Christmas Fair

Friday 10th December
from 5.30pm
Burren Junction School Of Arts Hall

Market Stalls including:
Banjo & Co, Beltin Rustic Creations, Blue Duck Home,
Em By Designs, Four Fillies, Genevieve Graff-Archies,
Harper M Designs, Linwood Trees, Pearls For Girls,
Pickillows, Thermomix, Top Wire Photography.....
and more!

Raffles, BBQ,
Christmas Movie on the Big Screen



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