



Newsletter

19th November 2018 Term 4 Week 6

Principal's Report

Volunteer Morning Tea

It was wonderful to see the volunteers who came along to our volunteers' afternoon tea on Friday. Our school values the contributions our volunteers make to our school –helping out in classrooms, on excursions, sporting events, grounds maintenance and our incredible P & C events. If you didn't get a chance to make it to our afternoon tea, thank you for your wonderful efforts in supporting our school this year! We appreciate it.

Bathurst excursion

Well done to our Stage 3 students who travelled to the Central West recently on the Stage 3 excursion. From all reports, students were respectful, active learners and had an amazing time. Great Warners Bay ambassadors!

Student Leader Elections

We are beginning the process for the 2019 student elections with Year 4 -5 voting on Monday to elect the executive. K- 6 students will vote for captains after nominees give speeches to the school on Wednesday 28 November. We wish all of the nominees the best in the election process.

Class Formations 2019

We are beginning to look at class formations for 2019. This year, teachers and executives will form classes, looking at the mix of students which will provide the best opportunities for success for the social and academic needs of students. Teachers will ensure that each student has at least one friend in the class. Please note, the classes are difficult to form and one change to placement usually instigates a domino effect so once classes are formed changes will be difficult to make.

Please remember school is about learning and adapting to change so being in a new class with a new teacher is a great opportunity to develop these skills.

Warm regards,
Deb Hall
Principal

Upcoming Events

Tue 27th Nov	Cake Stall— Yr 6 Fundraiser
Wed 28th Nov	P&C Disco—School Hall Infants: 5:30-6:45pm Primary: 7:00-8:30pm
Tue 4th Dec	Yr 6 Pool Day
Fri 7th Dec	Yr 6 WBHS Orientation
Mon 10th Dec	Year 6 Farewell Dinner
Thur 13th Dec	Presentation Day
Mon 17th Dec	Party Day

PBL Focus—Term 4

Week 6
19/11/18

Use equipment safely and correctly

Eg. Pack away equipment, using equipment safely and in the right place at the right time.

Week 7
26/11/18

Keep area clean

Eg. Picking up rubbish, bags packed away neatly





The Office of the eSafety Commissioner reports that children and young people are spending increasing amounts of time online connecting with friends, playing games, watching videos and doing homework.

When online they may not give much thought to their privacy and the types of information they are sharing, especially as they become more engaged and familiar with social media, online gaming and other interactive apps.

Sharing information and uploading photos on social media can be a great way for your child to express themselves, build friendships and share memorable moments. But there can be risks associated with this. Sometimes information can be shared more broadly than they think. Even if their profile is set to private, they can't control what their friends might do with the information.

What are kids sharing online?

The research shows that young people share a wide range of information about themselves when using social media, including:

- photos of their face
- their last name
- their real age
- the school they go to
- their phone number and address.

How can I help protect my child's privacy online?

It's important that your child is aware of where and how their personal information is available, who can access it and what others can do with their information.

You can help your child manage their online privacy:

- encourage them to not put any personal information on their social media profiles
- remind them that much of what they do online can be made public
- encourage them to think before they post—explore how they would feel if that information was shared more broadly than they expected
- play along with them in online games to see what kinds of information they may be sharing
- sit down together and check privacy settings on social media accounts, apps and devices - ensure they have selected the highest privacy setting
- remind them to select passwords carefully and to not share this with friends

Library News

As always it has been a busy term in the library. Younger students have been learning how to log-in to the school computer system, so they can learn to access the library borrowing system, as well as World Book Online.

If they remember their username and password they can log-in to the Department of Education Student Portal and show you what they have learnt. Everyone in our school community has access to World Book Online. The web address is www.worldbookonline.com. The log-in id and password are both wbps.

Last week for borrowing

As usual this has come around quickly and will be next week. After that it is time to start returning all books so we can ensure there are none missing.

Happy reading!
Ros Beard

In the fast lane with Mrs Lane

PDHPE activities will involve mostly outdoor activities for the remainder of the year. It is important that all students remember to bring their hat and also wear sunscreen to protect from the sun. Students who do not have a hat to wear will not be able to participate in PE.



OSHC News

As we approach the end of school year, OSHC is still pumping. Construction is the fave at present with all the new mobilo and lego fantasy sets.

OSHC's Got Talent was one of the most successful projects conducted since I have been Coordinator. We had kindy's surprise us with dance moves, soloist singing, brother soccer skills, Fortnite dancing extraordinaire, aerobics and the biggest 'splits' ever.

Announcing finale challenges is an OSHC handball challenge, and .. the best Christmas colour-in competition. Holiday Club with Camp Australia has an amazing program of STEAM. Go online to check out how to enrol your children.

Student Communication Team

The Year 6 and 5 students had the privilege to go to Bathurst this year. We got to experience and see new things. The first stop on our little adventure was Scenic World in the Blue Mountains where we got to go on a interesting tour, we also got to ride on a cableway with a glass floor and a fast railway speeding down a hill at a eighty degree angle, some of the students got scared and even a few were screaming. We venture through winding roads, to eventually arrive at Jenolan Caves.

Where Year 5 and 6 went to Lucas Cave and got to learn about rock and crystal formations and though the 'tall' people had to duck their heads in some parts, we all had a lot of fun. We then drove to Bathurst and stayed at the hotel at the gold mines where later on that night we sung lovely songs and did some bush dancing into the night. The next day we met our tour guide Pat, and we got to witness how a billycan hook is made. After that we got to see what life was like in the gold rush for the Chinese, we also got to explore a campsite for that era. Then we all got the chance to pan for gold flakes, some people didn't get too many but others got a lot of gold. At the very end of the day, we got to go to a 'Sheep and Cattle Drone' where we got to go to a 'Sheep and Cattle Show.'

We witnessed a sheep being shorn and some lucky students got to pet and feed some animals. The final day we woke up at a very early hour, and took a short trip to the Zoo. We went on a early morning walk and even got the chance to see the Rhinos and Giraffes up close. Then we went on a bus drive around the zoo, after we finished our drive, sadly we went home.

We had tons of fun and really enjoyed our time at Bathurst we were all glad to be home.
Zahara and her team

Canteen

Don't miss the opportunity to enjoy your yummy Christmas Pack from the Canteen on Wednesday 12th December. All packs are \$7 and include a choice of wrap, popper, jelly, Santa cake and a surprise Christmas treat. Orders must be in by Thursday 6th December and spare order forms are available from the office.

Cake Stall—Yr 6 Fundraiser

Year 6 are holding a fundraiser on Tuesday 27th November and will be available to purchase during lunch time. Cakes will be priced at 50c or \$1. Any donation of baked goods would be greatly appreciated. Please include a note advising of ingredients (handwritten is fine). Donations can be taken to the hall on Tuesday morning before the bell.

Infants Assembly—Boys & Girls Dance

In Week 8, the following Dance Groups will be performing at the Infants Assembly held on Thursday 6th December at 2:00pm.

- K-2 Girls Dance
- Kindy Boys Dance
- Yr 1 Boys Dance

NB: Yr 2 Boys Dance will not be performing as they have progressed to the Primary Boys Group in preparation for next year.

Volunteers

With end of year activities now underway, we welcome many volunteers into the school to help with various activities. If you are volunteering, please ensure that you have completed the required paperwork to comply with the Departments Working With Children guidelines. This includes an Appendix 5 form and provision of 100 points of ID. Forms are available from the office. If you are unsure if this has been completed please check at the office.



Kindergarten News

There is a lot happening for the rest of this term!

Date	Time	Activity
Monday 19 th , 26 th and 3 rd	12.00 – 1.35pm	Kindy Christmas Craft
Thursday 22 nd Nov	2.00 – 2.55 pm	KK running the K-2 Assembly
Tuesday 27 th Nov		Year 6 Cake Stall
Wednesday 28 th Nov	5.30 – 7.00pm	K-2 Disco
Wednesday 5 th Dec		Secret Santa Present due back
Thursday 13 th Dec	TBC	Presentation Day
Monday 17 th Dec	All day	Party Day

We had our first Christmas Craft Session today, but don't worry if you forgot or couldn't make it to this one there are still two more you can join us for. Please remember if you do come in to help with Christmas Craft or any activity in the classroom that you need to sign in at the office first.

Secret Santa notes are due back by the 28th Nov as the names of the participating students will be going home with their Secret Santa on the 30th Nov. Presents are then due back to class by the 5th December. The kids will be opening their Secret Santa present on Party Day. Please remember there is a \$5 limit.



Party Day permission notes went home today. K-2 will be travelling by bus to Glendale Event Cinemas to watch "The Grinch". Please make sure you fill out, sign and send back the permission note to the class teacher. Party Day payment was part of the Term 4 invoice and should have already been paid. Unfortunately the office will not except any late payments.

In KK News

We would like to thank any parents from KK and KM who were able to bring in a small plate for our last Kindergarten Orientation day last week.

KK will be running this week's assembly and we are very excited! We hope to see you there on Thursday afternoon.

Have a wonderful week.

Emily Kerr and KK



Stage One News

Can you believe that we are halfway through term 4? It has been a busy start to the term and it is about to get even busier. Here are a couple of reminders of what is in store for the last 5 weeks.

All of stage one will be involved in Christmas Craft during week 7. We will be busy making amazing decorations and would love you to join us to help out. The dates are Monday the 26th November, Thursday the 29th of November and Monday the 3rd of December. Just a reminder that we are unable to provide materials for younger siblings.

A note for secret Santa was distributed last week. If you wish for your child to participate in the gift giving please ensure that the note is returned to the classroom teacher by the 28th of November. After this date, students will receive a note to tell them who they are buying for.

The Christmas disco will take place on Wednesday the 28th of November. Note and payment are due by the 23rd of November. The man in the red suit is rumoured to be attending! Hopefully we will see you there with bells on (jingle bells of course!).

Mrs Hoscher has been working with year 2 students in preparation for their performance of Advance Australia Fair at Presentation Day. A copy of the signing choir lyrics has been distributed so students can practise at home!

Just a reminder that if students arrive before the morning bell, they are to be sitting and waiting in their respective COLA (i.e. infant students in the infants COLA and primary students in the primary COLA).

Summer is just around the corner and it is heating up in the playground. Make sure that your child brings a hat and a drink bottle each day.

What's happening in 2L!

Last week, KB and K-6P were treated to 2L's "Readers Theatre" performances. In preparation for this, students in 2L had been rehearsing during their reading groups. Students have been focusing on improving the volume of their voice and expression when reading. We have some budding Oscar award winners in the classroom that's for sure!

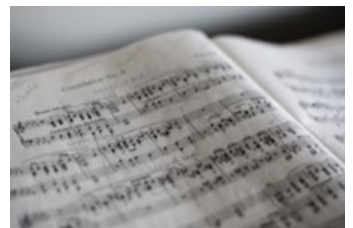
All groups received standing ovations for their work – well done 2L!

Stage Two News

A big thank you to our Stage 2 parents who organised on time payments and notes so that their children can take part in all end of year activities. Please remember that due dates will now always be adhered to with our new financial systems. Please refer to the school newsletter, school app and Facebook sites as well as notes, to ensure you do not miss out on any important dates.

Mackellar Girls High Band & Choir Visit

As previously reported in our newsletter some weeks ago, Ms Patrick has organised for Mackellar Girls High to visit with their bands and choir. They will be performing in the school hall on **Monday 26th November** at 10am. Our little school choir will also be performing a song or two on the morning. If you are free and would like to be part of the audience, please pop in and enjoy the music.

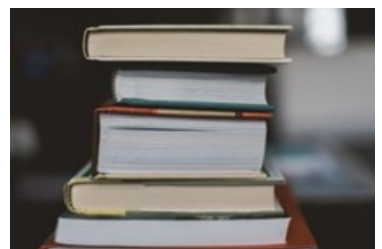


3P Home Reading News

Reading is an essential tool and as teachers, we thank parents and carers who take the time to encourage their child to read each day. Reading and gaining meaning from text is not only an academic skill for school it is also an essential skill for life. Being a fluent reader who comprehends inferred meaning in texts is the all-important key to a student's future success. I want to take this opportunity to congratulate the following 3P students who, even at this late point in the year, are still reading every week, completing their reading log independently and returning it every Friday without fail.

Sarah Katalinic, Summer Burton, James Kilpatrick, Rani East-Jeffs, Kate McKay, Lara Wheeler, Amarliah Wetini, Andrew Parmenter and Jack Stokes.

You are all amazing!



What are we learning about at the moment?

3P are still working hard to conquer all of their times tables by the end of Term 4. It is a personal challenge for each and every one of them. We have put up a Multiplication Tables Data Wall where we are earning our Hollywood Star of Fame for each table we master with confidence. Please talk to your child and see if you can assist them with speedy recall of the multiplication table facts they are currently working on. Like reading, knowing your multiplication tables in isolation, assists with an easy grasp of many aspects of mathematics from this point forward. Congratulations to **Isaac Potter** who should be so proud. He has a star for every times table up to 12x – you rock, Isaac! **Max Badior, Sarah Katalinic** and **Lillian Tunney** are well on the way to nailing them all too. Can you do it 3P?

In our Science unit based on **The Living World**, 3P have been looking at plants and animals and what features assist in their scientific classification. They have been researching a plant or animal of their choice as part of Friday Focus and will present their findings to the class soon. This week we have also begun to grow and observe changes to our seeds and plants linked to this unit.

In English, we have looked closely at how books and movies begin with **sizzling starts** to hook in their readers and viewers. We have written some fun sizzling starts of our own and just last week, we used a great youtube clip on the directed drawing of this many eyed weird plant as a story stimulus. 3P are currently publishing their sizzling starts, so please feel free to pop in and have a look at their completed writing samples on the back wall of the classroom.



Also hanging up at the moment are our incredible **Mad Hatter water colour artworks**. In Art, we examined an image of Johnny Depp as the Mad Hatter from Alice in Wonderland. Then we learnt how to sketch accurately using the correct dimensions and how to apply water colours – a tricky media at any age but especially hard when you are only 8 or 9 years old. Here are a few examples of the class's finished products; I'm sure you'll agree with me that they are truly amazing!



These artworks were created by the following artists:

Kate McKay, Andrew Parmenter, Adara Naila-Serein, Sarah Katalinic, Rani East-Jeffs, Summer Burton, Avelene Rebetzke, Tia Schmidt, Lillian Tunney, Amarliah Wetini and Isaac Potter. The rest of 3P's amazing creations are up on display in the room, so please call in and have a look at their masterpieces. They are all incredible!





One final message... I would like to take this opportunity to extend a sincere thank you to my 3P families for sharing their delightful little people with me this year. I have been so fortunate to spend a year with the funniest, most motivated and clever bunch of kids. Every day has been a true delight! 3P have laughed, smiled, joked, cared and loved everything about learning in their first year in the 'BIG' 3-6 end of our school. We have had a wonderful and special time together and I am one very lucky teacher. The next 5 weeks, as we move into our end of year celebrations and party season, will I'm sure will continue to be a hoot with these funny and engaging kids. My challenge as their teacher will be letting them go on December 19th and somehow selecting a small group of end of year award recipients from such a unique and hard-working crew. You have made it very hard for me 3P!

Merry Christmas to you and your families and I look forward to hearing of your incredible achievements in Year 4 and beyond. Stay safe, be happy and enjoy time with your loved ones xx

Ms Janine Patrick – 3P 2018

Stage Three News

We are in the middle of a HUGE term for Stage 3 (especially Year 5)!

Just a few reminders to get us through to the end of the year.

- 5MR are leading the assembly on 20th November 12pm
- 23rd November Year 6 students on Track at the Newcastle Super Cars!
- 26th November 2019 Student Executive Election (Years 4 and 5 involved)
- 27th November Year 6 Cake Stall
- 28th November 2019 School Captain and Vice Captain Elections (whole School involved)
- 28th November School Disco
- 3rd December House Captain and Vice Captain Elections (Years 2-5 involved)
- 4th December Year 6 Pool Day RETURN NOTE
- 5th December Christmas Scripture
- 7th December WBHS Orientation Day (Year 6 involved)
- 10th December Year 6 Farewell
- 13th December Presentation Day
- 17th December Party Day RETURN NOTE

Please ask your child, the office or your child's teacher if you have any questions about these events. Please note – all payments for these events have now closed.

What's been happening in 5MR???

Actually, EVERYTHING has been happening in 5MR! We have been super busy and things do not look like slowing down anytime soon!



Kindergarten Orientation

Last week saw us say goodbye to our Kindergarten Buddies until next year. All of the Year 5 children have enjoyed the Buddy experience and all of the Kindergarten teachers have told me how well behaved the children were throughout the whole process. I am so very proud of them! I have attached some pictures for you to go all gooey over!!! They are so cute!!

Excursion

I am sure all Stage 3 children were exhausted after their HUGE excursion! I know the teachers were! I have included some pictures and a couple of recounts from the 5MR students for you to read. Again, the teachers reported that all of the children were extremely well behaved and everyone at Warners Bay Public School should be proud of how all of the Stage 3 children represented our school.

Student Executive Election

Our next huge hurdle is the 2019 Student Executive Election. The nominees have prepared their speeches at home and are getting ready to present why they should become a member of the 2019 Student Executive.

Just a few words from me...

It has been an enormous year and it has been a pleasure to have such beautiful children in my class. They have matured into amazing people and I cannot wait to see them lead our school next year. Happy Christmas and may all of you have a safe and restful holiday.

See you all next year,
Regards
Mrs Janis Milgate



Year 5
Kindergarten
Orientation
Visits



See you next year!!



Excerpts from 5MR Recounts of their 2018 Excursion

Day one By Heidi Badior and Abi Paterson

Bright and early on Monday the 5th of November we were on the bus at 6 AM on our way to Katoomba Scenic World. We arrived at Scenic World and we had little snack, and soon after we were on the thrilling Scenic Railway. Soon enough we were walking along the Scenic Walkway, and we walked past huge interesting dinosaurs and their eggs, and we also saw a hatching dinosaur egg.

After our wonderful journey through the Dinosaur Valley we headed up the incredible mountain and overlooked the Three Sisters on the cableway. Soon were walking over to the amazing but long, Skyway. When we were going up and down on the Skyway, the middle of it had a platform that you can see through it like a window, it was incredible.

As we were driving around the sickening, windy roads we finally arrived at Jenolan Caves and quickly ate our lunch then went in the Lucas Cave. As we walked up and down over one thousand steps of the caves, the caves were magnificent, they were so pretty and awesome. Next we went to our accommodation and had dinner and soon we were asleep.

Day one by Elijah Ball

We left on the bus at 6:30 in the morning and drove for about an hour and a half until we got to Katoomba and arrived at Scenic World. First we had morning tea and then went on the Scenic Railway which was amazing. Soon after we did the dinosaur walk and saw all the fossils and the fake eggs. We went on the cableway where we had the best view of the three sisters. After that we went on the Skyway which was breathtaking.

After Scenic World we were back on the road to Jenolan Caves, the limestone structures were absolutely stunning in there. Later we had lunch at the caves and then went to the gift shop and left.

After the bus ride we arrived at Bathurst and were running a bit behind schedule so we had dinner first thing after we got off the bus. After our stomachs were full we were put in our rooms then went out to the campfire for singing and dancing. After that we were pretty tired so we went back to our rooms and went to bed.

Day Two by Madison Hodgetts and Ella Burton

The next day we had activities like Damper, Mud Bricks and Horse Shoe Games it was so much fun. Next was Gold Panning, we found heaps of Gold. After the gold panning, we hopped in the bus and drove to the Sheep and Cattle Drome. At the Sheep and Cattle Drome we first got to pat all different kinds of sheep then we sat down and watched the show. Then 10mins later all different cows come out. Later we smell this disgusting thing, we all wondering what it is. Then we hear this water dripping noise the all of us know what it is, it's a sheep doing some of his business in front of about 100 people. After the show we were back on the road leaving to go to Dubbo.

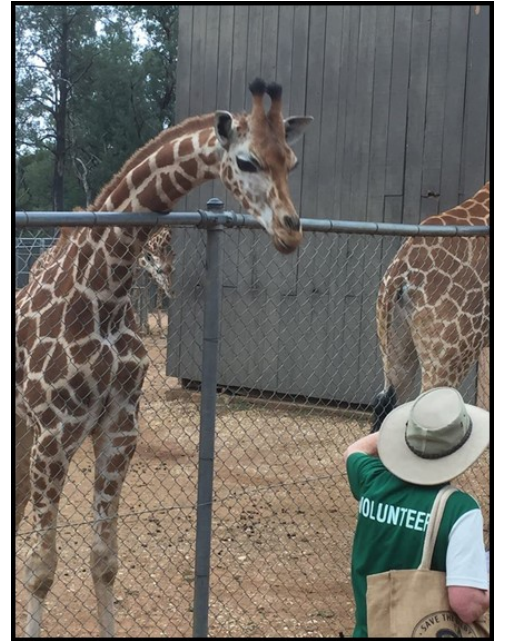
Day 3 - By Isaac Mitchell

The teachers woke us up at 5.30am and we got up and packed our bags went on the bus to Dubbo Zoo. When we got there we got split into Year 5 and Year 6 groups to look at the animals and start our 2 hour morning walk. Near the end of our walk it started raining so we jogged our last metres to the main building where we had breakfast. Our last thing to do was gift shop and bus drive around the zoo. After we hopped on the bus for the last time and started driving home about 4 hours into the trip we stopped and the legendary McDonalds. Then we were back on the road again and finally arrived home.





Stage 3 Excursion
2018
Blue Mountains
Jenolan Caves
Bathurst Gold Fields
Dubbo



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Wet 'n' Wild Water Play is back this summer at Vacation Care

Vacation Care is available from
Thursday 20th December - Thursday 24th January

(closed 25th-26th December & 1st January due to public holiday)

7.30am - 6.00pm Meals Included

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