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Term 3 Week 8

Thursday 4th September 2014

Year 6 at Big School

*This term the class was lucky enough to travel to
Tamworth High School to experience
life at high school.*

The class had loads of fun!



**Merit and Gold
Award**
Isabella Johnston



Silver Award
Emily Hayne, Isabella Johnston,
Jack Chapple, Braidy Cork,
Bodin Wallace and Taleah Pinnock



Uniform Award
Braidie Cork, Bryan Zhong,
Lillie Walker, Megan Bubb,
Matthew Kenny, Toby Taggart
and Misty Ford

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Important Dates to Remember Term 3 2014

- Tuesday 9th Sept** Parent Teacher Interviews 4 - 6pm
Wed 10th Sept Kindy 2015 Come and Try - 2:30 to 3:30pm
Thursday 11th Sept Regional Spelling Bee at Nemingha PS
 Assembly at 2:30pm by 2M, item KLR
Friday 12th Sept Milo Cricket - Year 6
Saturday 13th Sept P & C Prawn and Chicken Night
Tuesday 16th Sept Parent Teacher Interviews 4 - 6pm
Wednesday 17th Sept Tamworth High Resilience Day - Year 6
Thursday 18th Sept Rock Band Tour
Friday 19th Sept SRC Mufti and Bike Day
 Kindy 2015 Come and Try - 12:10 to 1:40pm
 Last day of Term 3

Weekly Bronze Awards

Nate Symons - Excellence in computer studies
 Joshua Thompson - Always having beautiful manners
 Braidy Cork - Effort in handwriting
 Taela McCahon and Zac Hyson - Making an effort in writing lessons
 Aaleyah Atkins - Being organised and ready for work
 Ashley Hill and Ally Higgins - Effort in home reading
 Todd Milgate - Great work in Mathematics
 Savannah Barber - Enthusiasm in class items
 Jaeda Symons - Co-operates well with others
 Daniel Worth - A fantastic class helper
 Matilda Lees - Demonstrating good manners
 Louise Smith - Improved organisation skills
 Dylan Dow, Georgia DeBelle and Sophie Hobden - Showing responsibility and sound work habits
 Byron Lees, Chloe Bayes, Emily Nicholls, Toby Taggart and Shanae Roach - Completing homework every week
 Riley Hayne and Jaydan Russ - Writing a good analysis of the song, *Fireworks*
 Jessica Smith and Ethan Watts - An outstanding interpretation of the song *Fireworks*



Mrs Cracknell's Message

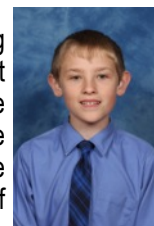
Thank you to our students and staff who all sang Happy Birthday to me on Monday. It was a lovely day and your signing made me feel very special. I would like to welcome three new students to our school. This week we have welcomed Leah Khan to class KLR with Mrs Lawrence and Mrs Richards, Will Rawlinson-Harris to 1CR with Mrs Chegwyn and Mrs Richards and Kate Hartcher to 6G with Mr Griffiths. Welcome to all students and we know you will enjoy Kootingal Public School.



Congratulations to Lyiara Fernando of 3/4W. Lyiara is such a Mathematician! She answered all her multiplication equations in less than 5 minutes with 100% correct. I don't think I ever achieved that. Lyiara was particularly gracious in receiving her Principal's Award sticker. Keep up the great work Lyiara!



Mr Griffiths' 6G class have been examining song lyrics during their English lessons. I was present in their class on Thursday afternoon when the students were stating as to what they thought the lyrics were about of different songs. Later in the week, the class examined the song lyrics of *Fireworks* by Katy Perry. I had both Ethan Watts and Jessica Smith present to me their work. The responses of both students to the questions posed were particularly good. Ethan demonstrated a thorough understanding of the themes and the potential role the song could play in our society. Jessica's responses were thoughtful and considered. She highlighted the reasons as to why she thought the song was important. Congratulations Ethan and Jessica. Keep up the great work!



Kootingal Public School has been fortunate to have two fantastic practicum teachers from UNE over the past couple of weeks. Kindergarten has played host to Mrs Aylia Unger and 3/4W have hosted Miss Heidi Swab. Miss Swab has been working with Cooper Brett, Riley Wilson and Matthew Kenny of the Year 3 Mathematics group. Miss Swab thought the boys worked so



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hard they deserved to be recognised. Well done Matthew, Cooper and Riley! All boys were very proud of their efforts.

6G has been doing a study on pop art during their art lessons. Jason Dunn was very keen to show me his interpretation of pop art of a Smiths chips packet. Jason was also very proud of his efforts and I am sure you will all agree with me when I say I was very impressed with Jason's use of colour.



1CR's dingoes and crocodile spelling groups made their way to my office this week. All students had been working hard and Mrs Chegwyn wished for them to demonstrate their wares. Although we talked about crocodiles eating dingoes, all students were pleased with their progress. Thank you for sharing Bryan Zhong, Zac Hyson, Darcy Harris, Aiysha Fernando, Shania Coppola-Smith and Maverick Ramage.

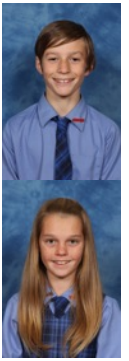


I am pleased to announce our generous P&C has contributed \$7000 towards the construction of our multipurpose sports court. This was passed at the P&C meeting last week. This has decreased the amount the school would have initially had to fund the difference for the project. I have completed the application for Joint Funding with the Department's Asset Management Unit. If successful, this should again reduce the costs to the school.

Congratulations to all students who competed in the Premier's Spelling Bee last Thursday. I would particularly like to mention our students who will represent Kootingal at Nemingha Public School on Thursday 11th September. They are Taleah Pinnock of 4/5M, Montana Winter of 2/3S, Bailey Pinnock and Joed Humphris-Castle both of 6G. Our two reserves are Finely Wallace of 3/4W and Madison Roach of 6G. Good luck!



Congratulations also to our students who competed at the Regional Athletics Trials in Tamworth last Friday. Special congratulations to Cameron Barber and Georgia Holcombe-Nancarrow both of Year 6 who have qualified to represent North West at the PSSA Athletics Championships. Cameron has qualified for the 200m and 800m and Georgia has qualified for the 100m. Well done and we know you will represent Kootingal Public School with pride.



This week we are having another Kindergarten Come and Try day. These days are designed to orientate our future Kindergarten students to the school and make them familiar with the classroom environment. Our current Kindergarten students are very proud of their increased responsibility as a pseudo buddy to the incoming students. This week's focus is visual arts. I look forward to sharing more Come and Try day experiences later in the term.

We are currently in the throes of re-establishing our Breakfast Club program. We were successful in obtaining donations through the Kellogg's Breakfast Buddies program and we have sourced a variety of products. We are now asking our community if they would like to donate products to assist this program. Such products may include margarine, butter, jam, honey or vegemite. If you would like to donate, please contact the school and talk to Mrs Buchanan, our School Chaplain or myself.

Our Parent Teacher Interviews are scheduled for Tuesday 9th and 16th September. These are the last two Tuesdays of the term. Our interview times are between 4pm and 6pm. We have changed the structure of our Parent Teacher interviews since term 1 as a result of feedback from both staff and families. We changed the interviews to be over a two-week period so this would enable parents greater flexibility in selecting a date and time that suits best. Information has already been disseminated to students. Please use the form provided to make an appointment with your child's teacher.

Thank you to those families who have checked our lost property box for misplaced items of uniform. Please remember to come and check the lost property box, located outside the Administration block, if your child has misplaced an item of uniform. All clothing items at the end of this term will be donated to the clothing pool or another charity organisation.

Banking Prizes

Darcy Harris and Megan Johnson



Banking Co-Ordinator

Cath Bubb and Karen Hobden

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Kootingal & District Bowling Club

Friday /Saturday Meat Raffles
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Undercover outdoor area
Excellent Chinese Meals
Courtesy Bus
Children Welcome

Station Street, Kootingal Ph: 6760 3202 or Restaurant 6760 3936

Clothing Pool



OPENING DAYS AND TIME

Clothing Pool will only be open on:
Tuesday and Wednesday mornings
9am to 9:30am

Please come to the office.

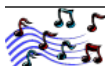
Kootingal Sherpa Kids

Our Sherpa Kids have been busy little crafters, awesome cubby house builders as well as using more of their endless imagination playing dolls and animal games.

Our resident palaeontologists, Bodin & Jack, have been busy constructing the coolest, most colourful dinosaur we have ever seen. WELL DONE GUYS.



For information & bookings for Before & After School Care please call Vicky on 0481 364 554 or drop into the Centre.



Music Notes - Mrs Richards

Wow! The Musica Viva concert was awesome! It was lovely seeing everyone having a great time. The VIP seating was a hit as well, with Olivia Coppola-Smith, Jason Dunn, Bailey Pinnock, Emma Jarrett, Brenden Jarrett and Bodin Wallace enjoying a selection of fine cuisine including, fruit, lollies, juice, chips, chocolate and popcorn. I'm sure the other students were very jealous! Keep your eyes peeled for our spot in the Northern Daily Leader soon.

Music tutors have been busy writing this term's music tuition reports. They will be handed out in the last week of this term.

Now is a good time to be considering music tuition for next term. A note will be going home next week so I can get an idea of student numbers and then book the tutor for the appropriate time slots for term 4. Next term we will be starting a new drum tutor. His name is Gary Lee and he comes highly recommended. He currently teaches at the Music Conservatorium, as well as other local Tamworth schools. We are very fortunate to have him on our team. Gary prefers to teach from a drum textbook which will be an added once off cost to lessons. I will investigate prices and let you know soon. I would like to thank our current tutor, Amy Allerton for her time with us. She has done a great job teaching the drum students and we wish her well.

Each week several students received a special music award for their efforts in music class. Congratulations to: Jessie Johnson – KLR, Joey Hyson – 1CR, Tianna Urquart – 2M, Elle Atkins – 2/3S, Chloe Burch – 3/4W, Byron Lees – 4/5M and Lexy Craig – 6G

The Star Cafe

Canteen will be open 2nd break

Volunteers Roster

Friday 5th September	Kirsty Hogan
Friday 12th September	Shelly Watts
Friday 19th September	need 3 volunteers please

Georgette Coppola - Canteen Manager

Northern Inland U9 Development Program

Your son or daughter to attend an open trial for the Northern Inland Football U9 Development Program.

Nomination forms available at the school office.

All players will be coached by FFA or AFC licensed coaches with sessions from the National Curriculum (Discovery Phase). In a fun learning environment they will be taught the four core skills of the game:

- 1 v 1's
- First touch
- Running with the ball
- Striking the ball

For these reasons I would encourage your child to participate in the N I Football program trial to have the best chance of achieving a football dream.

U9's the "Golden Age of Learning"

Now with less cost and less travel this is a great opportunity for your son or daughter to excel at the next level.

Some brief points for players and parents:

- Squads train twice per week.
- Two squads proposed, one in the North, Armidale one in the South, Tamworth (dependent on numbers trailing)
- Training venues Armidale and Tamworth
- Gala Days on a designated Sunday once per month.
- Gala Day venues Armidale, Tamworth, Coffs Harbour, Port Macquarie and Taree

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about the above. Nominate now and I look forward to seeing you at our trials.

Many thanks for your support,
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Craft Group

Kootingal Public School is starting a craft group. We are after any donations of craft equipment that people may have at home laying in boxes or cupboards.

Some examples include

Excess wool, embroidery thread, string	Felt
Scrap fabric	Cardboard
Boxes of various types	Buttons
Paper—brown, gift wrapping, butchers paper	Old jersey t-shirts
Balloons	Beads
Milk cartons	Old bottles and jam jars
Spray bottles	Paint
Tennis balls	Clay or Fimo
Corks	Cardboard rolls (unable to accept toilet rolls)
Magazines / newspapers	Photo frames
Craft balls	Buckets
Egg cartons	Christmas tinsel
Bells	Pipe cleaners
Glitter	



We



want anything! If you have anything spare, it can be brought to our front office. We have dedicated our old clothing pool space to this group and we would like to have it up and operational as soon as possible.

TAMWORTH Town Hall

Fitzroy Street, Tamworth

Thursday 18th September 2014

9.30am - 2pm

Official Opening 9.45am

LINKS FOR LIFE Disability Expo

FREE ENTRY

Exhibitors will display a range of products and services aimed at increasing independence and quality of life.

Join us for a FREE sausage sizzle all day.

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Find out what is available in our region for people with a disability and their carers, including the latest adaptive technology.

Speak to local service personnel.

Disability and community organisations will be available to provide information and advice on early intervention services, carer support, advocacy, accommodation, training and education, employment, post-school options, equipment and the NDIS.

Please note the media will be in attendance and may wish to talk to participants.

Transport options available:

contact Oxley Community Transport on 6766 3277.

For more information, please call

Anna on 6766 6533 or Danielle on 6762 8003.

Spring Holiday Camps

Lake Keepit Sport and Recreation Centre

Dates: Monday 22nd - Friday 26th September

Age: 7 to 12 years of age
(Primary School Years 3 - 6)

Cost: \$295.00

How to enrol

Call 13 13 02 to book and pay over the phone, or submit your enrolment with full payment online. Your enrolment can be submitted online 24/7! Enrolments close on the Monday 15th of September. Book early to avoid disappointment.

Visit www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps for details.

Private transport only on these programs

Participants can arrive at the centre from 11.00am on Monday and be collected from the centre by 1.00pm Friday

Hook, Line & Sinker

Learn the basics of fishing and experience the excitement of landing the 'big one'. Add this to other exciting camp activities such as kayaking, rock climbing and even prepare a delicious meal in a camp oven at our bush cookout.

This camp includes a fishing workshop in which all participants will receive a fishing pack containing: Shimano fishing rod and reel, shirt and other fishing related items.

Cooking 4 Kids

This holiday camp will have a special focus on cooking as a life skill as the young 'master chef's' prepare, cook and taste their own mouth watering delights. Children will also get to experience our traditional camp activities straining to reach the top on our rock wall, the thrill of hitting the targets at the archery range and have fun and enjoyment whilst paddling and sailing on Lake Keepit.

Participants on this camp will receive a cooking related gift.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS AT TAMWORTH REGIONAL GALLERY



These school holidays Tamworth Regional Gallery is offering the following holiday workshops...

Week 2

Wednesday 1st October

Mixed media with a 2D focus

Tutor: Leisel McIlrick

Time: 10.30am-12noon

Cost: \$20.00 per child

Ages: 7-12 years

Wednesday 1st October

Mixed media with a 3D focus

Tutor: Leisel McIlrick

Time: 2pm-3.30pm

Cost: \$20.00 per child

Ages: 7-12 years

Cost of classes includes all materials but] students need to bring a paint shirt and must wear closed in shoes. Workshops must be paid for in full prior.

The Gallery is above the Library at 466 Peel Street Tamworth.



Images: Leisel McIlrick

Places are limited.

For more details or to make a booking call the Gallery's Education Officer on 6767 5227 or email k.armstrong@tamworth.nsw.gov.au



It's **GAME ON** at the **DOMe**

SUMMER FUTSAL SEASON

SENIOR SOCIAL & PREMIER LEAGUES

Starts October 2014

FUTSAL A fast paced and exciting game of modified Football played indoors.

Tamworth Sports Dome is delivering a professionally run and administrated 14 week Futsal Competition including 2 weeks of finals.

Early Bird Discount applies for team nominations received by 19th September 2014.

Great CASH PRIZES up for grabs for winners and runners up!

Great Value For Money - Maintain your fitness and enhance your skills during the summer months.

PREMIER LEAGUE - Wednesday evenings from 6pm.
Competition commences 15th October

SENIOR SOCIAL LEAGUE - Friday evenings from 6pm.
Competition commences 17th October

Competition finishes before pre-season training for outdoor starts.

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SUMMER FUTSAL SEASON

JUNIOR & YOUTH LEAGUE

Starts October 2014
(Term 4 - 2014 & Term 1 - 2015)

FUTSAL A fast paced and exciting game of modified Football played indoors.

Tamworth Sports Dome is delivering a professionally managed, (8 Weeks per term) Futsal Competition designed specifically for the U7's, U9's and U11's for Junior League and U12/13's and U14/15's for Youth League.

Early Bird Discount applies for team nominations received by 19th September 2014.

Great school and club incentives for those who nominate three or more teams in each age group.

FREE End of year BBQ for all teams and medals will be awarded to the winners and runners up!

JUNIOR LEAGUE - Monday afternoons from 4:20pm.
Competition commences Monday 13th October

YOUTH LEAGUE - Friday evenings from 4:20pm.
Competition commences Friday 17th October

Maintain your fitness and enhance your skills during the summer months.

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