“Remember, happiness doesn’t depend upon who you are or what you have; it depends solely upon what you think.”
- DALE CARNEGIE

ANZAC CEREMONY AT GUNDY

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the students and their parents who attended the Anzac Day Ceremony at Gundy. It was extremely pleasing to see such a large number of our students proudly wearing their school uniform and marching together on such an important day.

It was also heart-warming to see our senior students wearing our new school blazers at an official function for the first time.

I would also like to commend our students on their excellent behaviour throughout the service.

Thank you once again to all the parents for taking the time and making the effort to support our school.

Thank you also to Mrs Campbell. I was a very proud Principal, marching by your side accompanied by our band of eager students.

WHAT’S ON THIS WEEK

Monday, 4th May
Y6 Grip Leadership Conference – Tamworth War Memorial Hall
Sarah, Ned & Mr Leayr attending
Miss Sidney on class Y3 to Y5

Thursday, 7th May
Lunch Order Day
Mother’s Day Afternoon Tea @ 2:30pm

Friday, 8th May
Regional Cross Country
Sarah competing

Saturday, 9th May
Scone Horse Week Parade

Thank you to Kim for the photo.
From the Little Room.........Week 3

A Peek at the Week:-

Leader: Owen

Sounds: K – z, w, ng
       1 - ip, lx
       2 - st, sk, sp

Numbers: K – 8
       1 - 18
       2 - 80

Maths Focus: Fractions

Sight Words: K - in, is, you, that, it
             1 - self paced
             2 - self paced

This week K,1,2 will continue with our literacy focus of fairy tales. We are looking at traditional tales and their “fractured” versions which are often very humorous.

A big congratulations to all of last weeks sight word superstars. Keep practising those words and don’t forget to bring in your reading logs.

We are looking forward to sharing afternoon tea with as many mums as possible on Thursday afternoon at 2:30pm to say a big thankyou to all our dedicated and delightful mums.

Happy days to you all

Much Mrs Campbell

Student of the Week:

Grace Grainger – A kind and caring class member.

Achievement Award:

Sally Payne – Amazing sight word progress.

3,4,5,6 STUDENT AWARDS – WEEK 3

Student of the Week:

Sarah Schiffmann – For an excellent recount of the Lake Keepit Excursion.

Achievement Award:

Cody Grimes – A helpful and respectful attitude to his teachers.
Our Visit to Lake Keepit Sport and Recreation Centre
By Sarah Schiffmann

On Monday 27\textsuperscript{th} to Wednesday 29\textsuperscript{th} of April, Year 3-6 from Blandford Public School, Ellerston Public School and Belltrees Public School boarded the bus at 7:30am... except me. I went in the car with mum because we dropped my sister off at Calrossy on the way. I will now tell you about my favourite activities at Lake Keepit Sport and Recreation Centre.

Rock climbing was my 3\textsuperscript{rd} favourite activity. It was scary because we had to trust some people that we did not know very well. I climbed to the top, it was about 10 metres high. The climber had on a regular climbing harness which was attached to a pulley rope using two carabiner clips that lock tight when closed. Five people were attached to the pulley letting you down when you wanted.

The giant swing was my 2\textsuperscript{nd} favourite activity. It was a little bit scary when you were 17 metres high in the air especially when you looked down. Everyone that went on the excursion pulled me up into the air, then we counted down. 3, 2, 1! I pulled the cord, I was falling! The rope caught me. I was happy to be on land when I got off.

My favourite activity was kayaking. I was in a pink and yellow kayak, it was so much fun. We got to do kayaking for 2 hours and 30 minutes. We kayaked to One Tree Island, Pelican Island, and the tree with the Wedge Tail Eagle nest in it. At the end of the activity everyone that was kayaking had to make a raft with their kayaks by holding our kayaks together and people ran across the nose of the kayaks. It was my favourite activity.

I really, really loved Lake Keepit and I am happy that I went. I had lots of fun with Blandford and Belltrees students. I would like to thank the people that made it happen.
IMPETIGO (School Sores)

Symptoms
Small red spots change into blisters that fill up with pus and become crusted; usually on the face, hands or scalp.

School or Home?
Keep home from school until antibiotic treatment starts. Sores should be covered with watertight dressings.

How can I help prevent spread?
Parents of children who may have had contact with impetigo should look for signs of infection and seek treatment if symptoms develop.
Careful hand washing especially after changing dressings. Avoid sharing toilet articles, towels, clothing or bed linen. Consider using anti-bacterial soap for bathing for two or three weeks. Avoid scratching or touching the lesions to prevent spread to other parts of the body. Completing the recommended antibiotic course is very important.

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SCONE HORSE WEEK PARADE

This Saturday should be one of the most interesting Scone Horse Week Parades in living memory. I am certainly looking forward to seeing Mr Ron McKinnon and his 12 bullocks lumbering down Kelly Street.

In the late 1800’s and early 1900’s, bullock teams dotted the bush throughout Australia. These teams and the men who drove them were instrumental in opening up areas of land and supplying timber to a growing nation.

Thank you, Cath for all of your hard work in bringing this living history to our attention once again. I’m sure some wonderful memories will be created this Saturday. I can’t wait!

Regards
Colin Leayr