

Monday Messenger



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What's on this week term 4 week5

Week	07.11.11
Monday	Monday Messenger Zumba Scripture Reflection Team Mtg 7:30am
Tuesday	Taekwondo Kitchen Whizz cook off Ann Ditton talking to UD about Moon Bear Sanctuary
Wednesday	Kindergarten Orientation – Day 2 Bulahdelah Show Student Night Sue RFF UD Library
Thursday	CANTEEN - Mandy Meier Greg RFF LD Library
Friday	Primary Principals' Mtg – Forster <u>School Spectacular notes due</u> – UD, Hayley & Tyler only Remembrance Day

Lower Division Chinese New Year

On Wednesday, Lower Division modelled a Chinese New Year celebration. The class collaborated on this report.

For our Chinese New Year celebration some people dressed in red and others wore traditional Chinese clothes.

We had a dragon parade. We tried to scare Nian (the dragon) away with party poppers and banging loud percussion instruments.

We had a feast. Year two made fried rice with Nikki. Li Blades made traditional Chinese dumplings and spring rolls. Yr1 made fruit skewers of orange, watermelon and lychees. All of these foods are believed to bring good fortune.

We had so much food we share it with Upper Division!
Our Celebration was lots of fun!

Our next celebration, in two weeks time, will be the Hindu celebration, Diwali.



Lama Visit

Last Monday we had a very interesting visit by Lama Choedak Rinpoche a Buddhist teacher. He outlined the basic beliefs of the religion. We were very impressed by the insightful questions the children asked and respect they showed our visitor.



Hunter Bush Poets Awards

During October upper division completed a unit of work on bush poetry. All children produced one poem. At the same time I received notice of a competition being run by the Hunter Bush Poets. I submitted all the children's poems and have been 'blown away' with their success. The group's president Mr Ron Brown will visit the school shortly to present awards to:

Year 3

Lily Kennedy "Camping" Year 3 1st place
Indigo Dixon "Nature and Me" 2nd place

Year 4

Kyra Workman "Living in the Bush" 2nd place
Shae Manefield "Lilly and Me" 3rd place

Year 5

Rachel Billinghamurst "Rusty" 2nd place
Tia King-Stow "Lexie" 3rd place



We would like all children receiving an award to come for the presentation on Wednesday evening. (7:00pm). There is a sausage sizzle at approximately 6:15pm, before the presentation. (see note attached)

On Friday Thomas Stanley and Isabelle Rea-Hardi were interviewed about their project submitted in the Young Achievers' award. Thomas had grown herbs and Isabelle had learned to crack a stock whip. They were interviewed by Betty Bramble.



Bulahdelah Show

Many of our students have submitted works in a variety of sections in the upcoming Bulahdelah show. On Wednesday prizes will be awarded in art, writing, public speaking and The Young Achievers' program. So far we have been notified of the following successes.

Art

Stage 2: Collage, Shae Manefield 2nd place
Stage 2: Line Drawing, Kai Mahony 1st place
Stage 3: Painting, Toby Dixon, 3rd place
Stage 3: Collage, Toby Dixon, 3rd place

The overall art winner for the show is Kai Mahony

Writing

Stage 2: Highly Commended, Jake Billinghamurst
Stage 3: 2nd place, Jack Shaw
Stage 3: Highly Commended, Rachel Billinghamurst

Bush Poetry

Stage 2: 1st place, Jake Billinghamurst
2nd place, Joel King Stow
Highly Commended, Indigo Dixon
Stage 3: 1st place Thomas Stanley
2nd place Toby Dixon
3rd place Caleb Moir

Two students will be competing in the public speaking section on Wednesday evening. Jack Shaw (year 6) and Shae Manefield (year 4) volunteered to talk to the audience for 3 minutes. Jack will speak about "The Scariest Time Of My Life" and Shae will tell everyone about "Nanaland, The Greatest Kingdom Of Them All".

Taekwondo Scholarship

Fay Shacklock, our Taekwondo instructor is once again offering a full scholarship to one of our regular participants. The guidelines will be given to the group at tomorrow's lesson.

Assembly Awards

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Principals Award: Skye- Rose Devine

Upper Division: Kyra Workman
Jack Devine

Lower Division: Keily Boyd
Silver Mahony
Jacob Billings

Student of the week: Saxon Bramble