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Principal Report

Hi Everyone,

How wonderful to see a little bit of rain today-let's hope there is more to come. Our garden certainly needed it.

As we come to the end of this term, I would like to thank everyone for my first term here. I am amazed at how much the school's in the Big Scrub work so well together and the wonderful opportunities that are provided for the students.

TEAMS day last Friday was fantastic. Whilst I was not with the Danish rounders (K-2), I most certainly enjoyed the T-ball and congratulate them on the excellent team work and their fantastic behaviour.

Mrs Larsen spent the day with K-2 and told me how excellent they were, in particular, what good sportsmanship skills they displayed. We have revamped our fish tank in the classroom (actually Darren is responsible for this- Thanks Darren) and we have discussed what fish we would like in our tank. I have decided to wait until the holidays are nearly finished to organise this so that we have our fish ready to go day one of Term 4.

What are the five keys to success?

Answer: Confidence, Persistence, Getting Along, Organisation and Resilience. As part of the [You Can Do It](#) program, we have been looking at these keys. Today we made our own success trees or Treasure Chests and started to put on them things we can do. We will keep adding to these over the rest of the year and discuss what keys helped us achieve great things. The students have also signed a "Life Skills" charter to make our school a great place to be.

[Poetry](#)- we have been trying our hand at poetry, with the focus on adjectives and similes. I am quite impressed by the students work and have included a few for you to enjoy.

[NAPLAN](#) results went home yesterday. Well done everyone on your effort and achievements. If any parent would like me to work through the report or discuss anything, please feel free to make an appointment and see me.

Exciting News!!

Books in Homes- I had a ring from Laura from Books in Homes last week. We are able to begin the program next Term and do not have to wait until next year to receive our books. This means that every student will be able to choose 3 books of their own to take home next Term, just in time for the school holidays.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday. Many students have already told me of the exciting things that they will be doing!

Alison Bath

The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you.

B.B. King



“Win a Marquee for your Team”

We would like to ask our school community for support by collecting coupons from the Northern Star Newspaper and dropping them into the Front Office.

This week at Assembly: **Public Speaking:**
Showing Work:

News from the Department of Education & Communities

MP3 players and hearing loss

If your child can't hear you talking when they're listening to their MP3 player, then their music is up too loud. Find out what you can do to help protect your child's hearing.

Go to: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/mp3-players-and-hearing-loss>

Road safety tips

Kids can be easily distracted on busy roads. Here are some tips to help you show your child how to make safety a priority when they're near traffic.

Go to: <http://www.kidsafensw.org/road-safety/>

School holiday activities

Looking for ways to get your kids off the computer these holidays? Happily, there's an app for that – and a website. Go Play has loads of holiday activities across NSW to get kids out and about.

Go to: www.goplay.nsw.gov.au

TAFE open days

One of the best ways to find out more about what TAFE NSW offers is to go to an open day. They're a great way to check out the campus and facilities, and give you the opportunity to talk to teachers and other staff.

Go to: https://www.tafensw.edu.au/about/calendar/event-2012_institutes_open_days.html#.UfKUA655eRW

Planning a future

The myfuture career information service helps young people make career decisions and plan career pathways. It provides inside information on occupations and industries, offers details on courses and advice on how to get a job or start a business.

Go to: <http://www.myfuture.edu.au/en.aspx>

Information for school communities about measles

Sydney is currently experiencing an outbreak of measles which began in April 2012 and is centred in the South Western Sydney and Western Sydney regions. Many of the cases have been high school students, with a smaller number in primary school. There is potential for the measles outbreak to spread further given young people have large social networks both within and outside of school.

NSW Health advises that measles is a serious viral illness that mainly affects unvaccinated children, teenagers, young adults, and babies too young to be vaccinated. Measles is highly infectious and can easily spread through the air.

Immunisation is effective in preventing the disease. In Australia, infants and young children are vaccinated with measles-mumps-rubella vaccine at 12 months and 4 years of age. People who are at risk of measles include:

- Infants <12 months who are too young to have been routinely vaccinated
- Older children who have not received 2 doses of measles-containing vaccine
- Adults born during or after 1966 who have not received 2 doses of measles-containing vaccine and haven't had measles infection in the past.

Immunising older siblings and non-immune adults will help prevent the spread of infection to infants who are too young to be vaccinated and who are at risk of severe disease.

The first sign of measles is a high fever which usually begins about 10 to 12 days after exposure to a person with measles (range 7-18 days). A runny nose, cough, red and watery eyes (conjunctivitis), and small white spots inside the cheeks can develop in the initial stage. The rash appears around 14 days after exposure, usually starting on the face and upper neck and spreading over the body, hands and feet. The rash lasts for 4-7 days.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

People with measles are usually infectious from just before the symptoms begin until four days after the rash appears. If you have had contact with someone who has had measles and develop a fever, runny nose, cough, red and watery eyes, it may be measles and seek medical advice.

If you suspect measles, see your doctor, clinic or hospital. It is important to ring before your consultation so you can be seen as soon as possible and arrangements can be made to avoid contact with other patients in the waiting room who may be susceptible to measles.

A person with measles should remain at home until four days after the rash appears to reduce the possibility of spreading it to other people.

Further information about measles can be found on the NSW Ministry of Health website at:

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/factsheets/infectious/measles.html>

My Horses by Mickey

She prances around as elegant as a
butterfly
She smells like fresh hay
Her soft palomino shade is cultured like
cream
She is as tall as a giraffe
Her hooves are as sharp as shark teeth
She neighs like a baby elephant wanting
its mama
She is cheeky like a puppy dog.
She has a white shape on her forehead
like a diamond.
Her name is bell because when she
canters she sounds like bells jingling.

POETRY

Praying Mantis

The Praying Mantis's face looks like an alien ready to strike.

It stalks its prey like a miniature lion in the leaves.

They look like they are praying to heaven.

By Coby

A crow by Venus

A crow has feathers as black as night
Its call is loud and harsh
It strides across the road like a soldier

| TERM 3 | M | T | W | T | F | S/S |
|------------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|--|
| W1 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21/22 |
| W2 | 23 P&C Mtg | 24 | 25 Reports home | 26 Teaching Principal's MS BENNETT | 27 | 28/29 |
| W3 AUGUST | 30 | 31 | 1 Teacher Interview | 2 PSSA Track Riverview Park | 3 | 4/5 |
| W4 | 6 | 7 PSSA Field Dunoon PS | 8 | 9 Big Samba Workshop Nimbin Central | 10 | 11/12 Channon Mkts Pls bake goodies |
| W5 BOOK WEEK | 13 | 14 Infantry MS BENNETT | 15 Middle Years Conference MS BENNETT | 16 Middle Years Conference MS BENNETT | 17 Middle Years Conference Zone Athletics | 18/19 |
| W6 | 20 | 21 SED | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25/26 |
| W7 | 27 | 28 PAF Rehearsal PAF Night performance | 29 PAF Matinee | 30 | 31 SPEECHES 12.15pm | 1/2 |
| W8 SEPT | 3 | 4 | 5 6.30pm Building Our Capacity Modanville PS | 6 Public Speaking Competition Jiggi PS | 7 BOOKWEEK BBQ | 8/9 |
| W9 | 10 P&C Mtg 2.30pm | 11 Public Speaking Final Studio Room Town Hall | 12 | 13 | 14 TEAMS DAY The Channon Oval | 15/16 |
| W10 | 17 | 18 Dorroughby GREEN TEAM (5/6) | 19 | 20 | 21 END OF TERM | 22/23 |
| TERM 4 W1 OCT | 8 School resumes for all students SMASH | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13/14 |
| W2 | 15 SMASH | 16 | 17 1pm Wendy Binx VC | 18 Lismore Show | 19 Lismore Show | 20/21 Lismore Show |
| W3 | 22 9.10 MUSICAVIA 11.30 Swimming Scheme | 23 11.30 Swimming | 24 11.30 Swimming | 25 SMASH 11.30 Swimming | 26 11.30 Swimming BANDANA DAY | 27/28 |
| W4 | 29 SMASH 11.30 Swimming | 30 11.30 Swimming | 31 11.30 Swimming | 1 11.30 Swimming | 2 11.30 Swimming | 3/4 |
| W5 | 5 SMASH | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10/11 |