

Term 2 - Week 10 - 2025 Newsletter



#### IMPORTANT DATES

### July/August

**Pirate & T2 Last Day** Friday 4th

First Day of Term 3 Tuesday 22nd

**Touch Footy Game** Thursday 7th

**Education Week Assembly @ UCS** Thursday 7th

**Armidale Athletics** Friday 8th

## **Principal's Report**

We hope everyone has a safe and restful holiday. We look forward to seeing you all back at school on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>. Staff will be at school on Monday 21st getting ready for the busy term ahead!

#### Reports

The reports look a little different this year as we have used the Department of Education template. This template aligns all Public Schools and aims to improve readability for families. Reports were sent home yesterday (hard copy & email) and are available on the School Bytes Parent Portal.

#### NSW Public School Student Survey:

This week, students participated in the NSW Public Schools Student Survey, which allowed them to share their thoughts on engagement, learning experiences, and wellbeing at school. The optional and confidential survey took about 15 minutes to complete. Their feedback will help us identify what's working well and where we can improve.

#### NCCD

We will be participating in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). This initiative is vital for understanding and addressing the diverse needs of our students. During the collection period, our staff will gather information about the adjustments made for students with additional needs. Please be assured that all data will be treated confidentially and used solely to enhance our educational support.

If you have any questions regarding the NCCD, please feel free to contact Lucie.

## **Above & Beyond Award**



#### Week 9

#### Audrey Macrae

for displaying positivity and leadership in all areas of schooling.

Week 10

**Peyton Wallace** 

For showing commitment to learning.



## **Special Announcements**

#### Colour the Earth Art Camp

Shaun was again selected to attend the Colour the Earth Art Camp at Thalgarra.

I was again selected for the colour the earth camp at Thalgarra and on the first day of the two day camp we first did some sketching and started a watered down acrylic painting. Later on in the night I did a night sky painting and on the second day we finished the watered down acrylic painting and did a posca pen artwork. -Shaun-



## **Above & Beyond Shout Out**



#### **MRS WARD**

Thank you for the amazing Reading River that is now flowing through our library. The interest in reading and sharing the love of books has become infectious amongst the kids!!

Thank you also for keeping our library and class texts organised!

## **School News**

#### **North-West PSSA Netball Trials**

Aggie and Lacey travelled to Tamworth with the Armidale Zone Netball squad. They played teams from all over the North-West region. They both played extremely well. Lacey was selected in the North-West team and Aggie was selected as the second reserve. From all reports you did yourselves and zone proud. Well Done girls!





#### **Shearing Demonstration**

We are hoping to hold a shearing day in Term 3. We would like it to be in mid August. We think it will be a good opportunity for kids who would like to be a shearer when they grow up.

Alice Swilks and Archie Taylor

# Kids Speak

Kids Speak - Florie "That everyone chatted to me"

KIDS SPEAK - BARNEY "LOVED PLAYING HANDBALL AND THE SUPPORT FROM EVERYONE' Kids Speak -Alice

" I liked that evertyone had a go and tried their best at the athletics carnical'

What was the best thing about Term 2?

## Do it for Dolly Day

Last Friday we held a fundraiser for 'Do it for Dolly Day'. Everyone dressed up in blue and Row MacCrae kindly made cupcakes for every student to enjoy. It was a successful day and we raised \$65 for the organisation. Thanks to everyone for their support.

Lacey



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## **Library News**

We are making some exciting updates to the library! A new shelf has been ordered and when it arrives we will be re-arranging the current layout.

The students have been working with Mrs Matthews and Mrs Ward to create a Reading River on the walls. Our Reading River consists of book covers and recommendations from students for what books everyone should read. It is starting to look very cool. If students would like to recommend a book they have at home and would like us to buy, they just need to see Mrs Ward - she will order it and get it into the library as soon as possible!

Remember: books can now be borrowed and returned any day of the week.



## **Homework Showcase**

We held our homework showcase in Week 9. We had one person present their work. Lindon read a creative story about being a refugee. It was a wonderful story that engaged everyone in the room. After he read it the whole staff and students spoke about how we can get more students completing activities and presenting them at the showcase. The kids had lots of ideas. Year 6 leaders took the ideas and their own and discussed them at their leaders meeting, They unpacked the Term 3 rubric and brainstormed ideas they could include. They took out the activities that weren't working and added some new tasks.



# School Fun



## **Community News**

#### Share Our Space

Please be aware that we are scheduled to have some work completed at the school in the school holidays. The work is between the buildings, playground and tennis courts. This will mean that our school will <u>not</u> be open for 'Share Our Space' this holidays.

