18th August, 2016

APPIN PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER

Hi everyone

16 SLEEPs UNTIL THE FETE!!!
Mrs Elliott leads the Kiss the Pig competition

FETE NEWS: We had a meeting on Monday evening to get into the final stages of planning for the fete on Saturday, 3rd September. Thanks so much to those who have sent back forms offering a range of assistance.

We do still need volunteers to letter-box our advertising leaflet. If you are able to do this from the coming weekend on, please call Nicole or send us an email, nominating streets that you can cover. The fliers are available at the office.

CAN YOU HELP? Do you have a shade gazebo that we can borrow for fete day? If so, please let Nicole know.

WHITE ELEPHANT: Time to clean out the cupboards and the shed - if you have any items to donate to the White Elephant stall, you can drop these at school in the week leading up to the fete. If you need items to be collected, please contact Steve Doig (doigs.cleaning@gmail.com) or let us know at school.

SPINNING WHEEL PRIZES: Do you have any items you can donate as a prize (or to be put in a prize pack) for the spinning wheel raffles?? Just drop it into the office.

PRODUCE: We will have a stall selling jams, preserves and vegetables at the fete. Can you donate any items for this stall?

NAPLAN DATA RELEASE: On Monday we were able to look at our 2016 NAPLAN data sets. Parents of Grade 3 & 5 students will have received their child’s individual results today. If you have any questions relating to these, please contact your child’s teacher or me. These data sets form part of the school review materials.

MARK THE DATE: We have booked the Wangaratta Performing Arts Centre (WPAC) for our 2017 whole school production. It will be 25th August 2017.

SOMERS CAMP RETURN: Welcome back to our students and teachers who attended Somers Camp over the past few days. I am sure the children had many tales to tell and memories to share. Thank you to Leonie Bourke and Fenella Elsom who filled in 34G, PE/6G during this time. Thanks also to Wendy Martin and Andy Grant who joined the students on the camp. Without teacher assistance like this, the camp could not operate.

CELEBRATING EDUCATION SUPPORT STAFF WEEK: Yesterday, staff had a special morning tea to celebrate the contribution made at our school by our skilled and dedicated support staff. Nicole Godde, Julie Saunders, Trudee Seymour, Tracey Clough, Jackie Knights, Helen Millar, Tian McDonald & Linda D’Agostino all work very hard to support students and teachers every day at school. We really do appreciate their commitment to our children’s learning, wellbeing and engagement.

Wendy Larcombe

Athletics Day Sausage Sizzle order forms need to be returned to school by tomorrow.

*There will be no 3rd Little Duck lunch orders on 24th August.

Upcoming Events

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**Literacy News**

The Grade 5/6 students have been thoroughly enjoying writing various forms of poetry this term and making them into their own book called an ‘Anthology of Poems’. Poems they have been writing include Bio, Acrostic, Cinquain, Colour, Metrical, Concrete and Blackout Poems.

The Grade 6 students have relished in the opportunity to try a new form of poetry called Blackout Poems. Each student was given a photocopied page from a novel and were asked to choose and underline words on that page to create a new text. They then used a permanent marker to colour over the unnecessary words. The final product looked like this…

**Sparkling Diamonds**
Cameron’s family were an odd idea  
Cold  
Dark  
A mystery  
Poor folk transformed overnight  
Into sparkling diamonds  
Such souls had never known the pleasure  

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Here are some made by the students…

**Crashing Thoughts**
Thomas sat up  
Rubbing his eyes, and folded his legs under himself  
For a few moments  
Looking out at all the hustle-bustle  
Thoughts crashed around his mind.  

*Caitlyn Delaney 6G*

**Mr Twistangle**
Mr Twistangle kicked the parcel until it was  
Torn  
Dented  
Bruised  
Even uglier  
‘Like you,’ he roared!  

*Ryan Battin 6G*

**Mrs Twistangle**
Mrs Twistangle didn’t shine anymore  
The secret began to fade and disappear  
The uglier the secret became  
Tangled and twisted  
Now there was no magic.  

*Lily Donald 6A*

**The Secret Surprises**  
Mrs Twistangle kept to herself  
Blue paper, string, a ball, all tight and tangled.  
Mr Twistangle laughed at it  
The secret surprises became magic & hope.  

*Lachy Newton 6A*

**The Unwanted Parcel**
He didn’t really want the very ugly, torn, dented parcel  
He grew angrier, fiercer near the parcel  
He would BELLOW, SHOUT  
So the little house shook until its windows rattled  
And the parcel crouched.  

*Emma Crawford 6G*

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**Numeracy News**

Prep students were learning all about chance and probability this week. They made spinners to represent and understand the concepts of ‘50/50’.

Grade 1 students were working with three digit numbers, making flip books that represented hundreds, tens and units. As well as reading these numbers, students were using their knowledge of place value by using bundles of paddle pop sticks to represent each number value.
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The Appin Park Community congratulates you.

Students will be awarded their certificates at Friday’s Assembly

PC  Zelah Nelson for the way she checks into our learning spaces quickly and quietly whenever we move to the mat or to our tables. Well done, Zelah.

P/1B  Bethany Perry Heyden for always trying her best when completing all learning tasks, even when she finds them tricky. She always does this with a smile on her face!

1/2E  Azra Topuz for remembering to change her reader every day. Azra’s reading is showing constant improvement with her home practice. Well done, Azra.

2R  Connor Gambold for the excellent work he has put into his story called “The Paper Bag Princess”

3/4G  Miles Lovett for trying very hard to improve his handwriting. Keep up the great effort, Miles.

3/4S  Cayden Jackson for speaking up and sharing his clever thoughts about fractions.

3/4V  Ashlee Carmody for the enthusiasm she shows when learning her times tables. Keep it up!

5K  Jordan Gosbell for acting on feedback and working extremely hard during our Olympic models construction.

5S  Bella Weimer for the leadership and initiative she has shown being our “Dojo Donator” and looking out for students who are displaying positive behaviour. Great job, Bella!

6A  Justine Corker Walker for applying herself to her studies well and consistently modelling a positive and enthusiastic approach to her work for her peers. It is a pleasure having Justine in the classroom. Keep up the great work and well done!

6G  Ryley Miller for his fantastic “can do” attitude and participation at Somers Camp. Ryley was awarded a “Golden Ticket” by his group leader for being cooperative, engaged in all his sessions and being an excellent team player who shows consideration for others.

Annual School Athletics

Our school athletics day will be held on Wednesday 24th August, at the Athletics Track in Appin Street. We still need parents to help with the events. If you are able to help could you please indicate on the form below and return it to school ASAP. We need help with:

- High Jump
- Long Jump
- Triple Jump
- Shot Put
- Vortex
- Time keeping

Wendy Martin

Athletics Day - 24th August 2016

The Father’s Day stall will be held on Monday 29th & Tuesday 30th August.

All gifts $4.

Fruit Roster 19th August:
Annette Blanchfield & Lisa Bell

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