PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

What a fantastic conclusion to Term 3. In week 9 I had the opportunity to attend the camp with Year 5 and 6 with our neighbouring public schools Kinchela and Smittown. We travelled down to Bathurst and spent two days learning about life on the goldfields. After that we headed down the beautiful Blue Mountains to Sydney where students continued their historical journey and learnt about what life was like in the 1800s. Our student’s, once again, demonstrated respectful and appropriate behaviour and were outstanding in answering complex questions about history and science. It was an absolute pleasure to take them away. I would also like to thank Mr Fuller, our teaching student who is on his first practical experience. He volunteered to attend our excursion and provided valuable assistance.

Gladstone students attended the Relay for Life Fun Day organised at Kinchela Public School. Students enjoyed activities such as face painting, art, sport and games as well as raising much needed funds for cancer. Thank you to everyone who participated and made this day really special.

BIG NEWS – Our Spelling Bee team came 4th in the Macleay Community of Schools Spelling Bee. Most schools in the Macleay competed in the competition and for our little school to place 4th amongst some of the largest schools around the Macleay. It was a wonderful achievement. Congratulations to Owen, Jess, Rebecca, Daniel and Brian who all participated.

Thank you to everyone for such a wonderful term and I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.

96 days until Christmas! Can you believe it?

Kind Regards,
Kathryn McNee
Principal

Bill & Daniel enjoying the sites of Sydney

UPCOMING EVENTS DIARY

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2M News
While Year 5 and 6 were away on camp Mrs Pugh taught 2M and did some intensive work with Year 3 and 4. Bella from Bellimbopinni also came and completed a transition visit over this week. In mathematics our focus has been on time, using analogue clocks and learning how to tell 24 hour time. Students are also working hard on learning the months. This is something that needs to be practiced regularly.

Students have been finishing off our unit on Gold which has concluded with a “hands on” activity of designing and making a replica hut or tent from the goldfields era. Students have thoroughly enjoyed this activity.

In literacy, we are revising punctuation and working on expression in reading. I have noticed a vast improvement in comprehension in all students this term. Well done. Thank you to Miss James and Mr Fuller for your contributions to our class.

Super Workers
Brian and Ella – Writing beautifully in pen now that they have their pen licence.
Bill and Reece – An improved attitude towards their maths work.

Our Students recently participated in the “Spring into Art” Exhibition held at Gladstone Hall. It was for the Macleay Educational Community of Schools and included all Primary schools on the Macleay. Our school submitted 2 works of art per grade.
Below : Skyann with some of the works

2M STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Brian Robinson
For always being a motivated and enthusiastic class member

Bill and Daniel in Bathurst
1H News

We have finally reached the end of the term. I hope everyone has a relaxing and enjoyable break. We have enjoyed having Miss Elford and Miss Bowie in our class for the last two weeks. We wish them all the best for the remainder of their University course. I have sent the student’s home reading diaries home with them for the holidays. Don’t forget to count any reading they do over the holidays.

Super Workers
Skyann is our student of the week for her terrific efforts in story writing.
Zachary - for his determination and application in PE.
Jasmine for her comprehensive comprehension skills.
Georgia for her improvement in reading fluency.
Caitlin for her overall improvement in Literacy activities.
Dominic for extending his story writing.
Layton for his overall improvement in all areas of the curriculum.
Abbey for her high standards in homework.
Brooke H for reaching 175 nights of home reading.

Mrs. Pugh’s News
Thank you to Jo Meehan and Shelly for your help with covering new books for the Library.
Please continue to encourage your children to borrow and return their books. We are so lucky to have this great resource.
I’d like to wish the school community a happy and safe holiday.

Mrs Pugh.

Backyard Footy Pics from Smithtown.
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Don’t forget about….

pebbles play group

Gladstone Public School

Wednesdays—In the school library

10am to 11am

Starting Back Wednesday 8th October

All pre-school children & parents are welcome

HAVE A HAPPY HOLIDAY