

Congratulations to the following students, they have already reached their Bronze certificate; Chloe Anderson, Izzy Conna, Tara Kenny, Ethan Wyatt, Annabella Barton, Ocea Liston-Smith, Seth Morrissey, Kelsie Beilfield has also gained her **silver** award. Well done Kelsie.

### **Upcoming dates**

State Knockout Soccer Tomorrow, Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August

P&C Meeting This Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 3pm

Father's day breakfast Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

Father's day stall Thursday & Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> September

Book Week Celebrations and Parade Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September

Cranky Bear excursion K-2 Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September

Disco Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September

### **Premiers Sporting Challenge (PSC)**

All the kids have a PSC recording card in their classrooms. When students participate in physical activity at school they can log it on their card. If the kids are active at home they can log that time as well. Class teachers are happy to help with recording if you would like to send in any after school activity details.

Natalia Collinson from Year 6 is our PSC leader and is setting up activities for the kids to participate in during break times.

### **Volunteers working with children check (Now with the correct website)**

We very much value the support of our community and thank all those people who

contribute to our school. Whether it be assisting in the canteen or at any of our other P&C activities, helping to transport students to events or assisting in the classroom with things like reading groups, everything helps our kids and we thank you.

All volunteers in schools need a Working with Children clearance. The Department of Education is transitioning to a Working with Children Check

(WWCC) Clearance for all staff and volunteers as prescribed in the *Child Protection (Working with Children) Regulation 2013* and require schools to keep a record that their volunteers have this clearance.

What does this mean?

It means if you have been volunteering at our school since 2013 or before, your declaration and proof of identity continue to be appropriate and the school will just update current records until we all change over in 2017.

If you have joined us since 2013 you need to apply for a WWCC Clearance through the Children's Guardian and provide the clearance number to the school. This is easy to do online at <http://www.newcheck.kids.nsw.gov.au>. AND IT'S FREE! If you need a hand with this let me know and we can do it together at school.

### **Canberra Excursion**

The Canberra Excursion is getting closer. Don't forget that you can pay this in instalments, the more you pay now, the easier it will be when the time comes.

Thank you to the parents who have already paid.

### **Attendance**

The school is required to keep accurate attendance records. When a child is away from school for a whole day or part of a day parents must provide an explanation to the school, this can usually be done with a short note to the class teacher. If your child is running late for school please bring them to the office so an explanation can be recorded.

### **Lost Property**

**THERE IS HEAPS!!!! ESPECIALLY JUMPERS**

On Friday morning we will have a collection of lost property at the picnic tables, please come and see if anything belongs to your family.

### **Woolworths Earn & Learn**

We are excited to be taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. You can help our school by collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. Just collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Points when you shop at Woolworths between Monday 15 July and Tuesday 8 September 2015. We will redeem these for awesome educational resources for our school. Simply pop them onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and once it's completed, just bring it back to school or drop it into the Collection Box at your local Woolies. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. There are thousands of products available through the Woolworths Earn & Learn program, and we'd like to get lots of new resources! Products in the range include resources for mathematics, English, science, art & crafts, through to sports gear, library supplies and more. We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program.

### **Premiers Spelling Bee**

The Premiers Spelling Challenge lists have been released. Our in-school spelling bee will held

this term to select two students each from Stage 2 and Stage 3 to represent at regional level. If students are having difficulty accessing their email in order to access the spelling lists, please see Mr Milne.

### **Reading Eggs**

If you have any questions about user names or passwords please speak with your child's teacher or Miss Nash our school coordinator to reset access.

### **2016 Enrolment**

It is once again time to consider our enrolments for next year. If you know of any families who may be enrolling pupils could you please ask them to contact the school to fill out enrolment forms and return them to school. This will allow us to start planning for next year's classes.

## **BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS**

### **Books Light up our World**

**On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September we will be celebrating Book Week and Literacy/Numeracy Week with a visit from author Tony Harris who will be doing a writing workshop with Year 3-6 and an author talk with K-2. We will also have our traditional Book Week Parade where children are invited to dress up as their favourite character or in the theme of Book Week.**

**You are also invited to share the book that lit up your world when you were a child or a favourite from your child. During recess we will have a reading picnic.**

**The programme will be:**

**11.40am Year 3-6 writing workshop**

**12.40pm K-2 Author Talk**

**1.10pm Reading Picnic/Recess-sharing a picnic and your favourite childhood book or your child's favourite book.**

There is no cost for the author visit but he will have his books for sale on the day or pre-order on the order form included with this Newsletter. Our school Library has his books if you would like to have a look at them or you can visit his website

<http://wombatstories.com.au/>.

We will also be holding a colour and design competition on the wombat theme. Watch this space!

Mrs Ruth Higginbottom Teacher Librarian



Season begins October 10, 2015

Juniors: U10 T-Ball, U12, U15, U18  
Seniors: Men & Women  
1st, 2nd & 3rd grades

**SAME PLACE EVERY WEEEK**  
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