

NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Robyn Brooks

Prep 2018 Transition Days

Our new intake of Preps had their second Transition Day this week.

Our focus for the morning was on counting, matching and writing numbers and creating patterns with coloured blocks.

The children also enjoyed playing on the playground and being involved in some outside games.

We look forward to the next transition visit in two weeks.

Day 3: Tuesday 5th December

Day 4: Tuesday 12th December

T20 Cricket

The Grade 6 Girls team competed in the next round of T20 Cricket in Swan Hill on Wednesday. The girls represented Irymple South with pride. The competition was tough and the girls put in a stellar performance.

Thanks to Miss Hepworth and Penni who accompanied the students.

2017 Family Celebration Dinner

On Monday 18th December the whole school will get together to celebrate the achievements and successes of many of our students. We are very excited to use our new assembly area for this event. The night will include Grade 6 Graduation, Award Presentations and Formal Announcements of 2018 School Captains, House Captains, JSC Captains and Environmental Captains. All families are invited to attend, have dinner and celebrate a fantastic year of learning completed by all of our students.

Grade 6 Graduation

At the end of the year we will be once again celebrating another successful year of Grade 6 Irymple South students. During our Graduation we have a number of awards that are won by students. Over many years we have had many kind contributions and are again looking for donations. Any parents that would like to contribute towards an award please see Mr. Smith by Friday 1st December.

Grade 6 Dinner and Disco

The Grade 6 students will have their end of year dinner and disco on Wednesday 13th December at *Willow and Ivie*. Thanks to the parents who have organised this end of year event for our Grade 6 students.

Choir

The choir has been rehearsing every Wednesday lunchtime in preparation for their performances. One of their performances will be at the Irymple Christmas Carols at Henshilwood Oval on Sunday 3rd December between 5:30- 8:45pm.

Congratulations

Miss Bonnie Foreman is getting married on Saturday! The students in Grade 1 held a beautiful celebration for Miss Foreman yesterday. Bonnie is marrying Carmelo Lando and will return to school on Thursday 7th

December, after her honeymoon as Mrs Lando. We wish them both many years of happiness.

Leadership Program

As part of our Leaders of Evolution program this year, Lachie Baker is organising a non-perishable food donation to the Salvation Army, taking place on the Thursday 30th November 2017. We held one of these last year and we had great success.

On the day, we are hoping that each person could please bring in one non-perishable item of food each (tinned tuna, soup, etc). Please place your items in your classroom's lunch order basket. There will be a prize given to the class that donates the most items.

Parent Payment 2018

School Council determines the school fees each year and approves the Parent Payment Policy as outlined by the Department of Education. At our recent School Council meeting it was determined that the parent payment cost for 2018 will be \$225.

This cost covers all essential student learning items (for example: pens, pencils, iPad apps), incursions (such as payment for Kaboom Kids day) and excursions (bus travel for sports days, Ballet). The full parent payment policy for 2018 can be found on our school website.



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The School Camp program, which occurs for all year levels in Term 4, is not included in this payment.

Camps Program

This week the Grade 4 students went to Lake Cullulleraine and participated in a variety of team building and adventure activities. The Grade 3 students explored the sights and sounds of Broken Hill. We look forward to hearing about the adventures next week.

The Prep students will have their excursion day and dinner at school on Thursday 7th December.

Curriculum Day

Our last Curriculum day for the year will be on **Thursday 14th December**. Students will not be required to attend school on this day.

End of School 2017

The final day of school for this year will be on **Friday 22nd December**. The students will be dismissed at **1:30pm** on this day. We will hold a final assembly for 2017 at 2.15 on the last day.

Student start day for 2018

The first day of school for students in 2018 will be **Tuesday January 30th**. Preps will have Wednesdays as a rest day for all of February. All staff begin work on Monday January 29th.

Car Parking

Please observe the Bus stops areas in the morning and afternoon drop offs. The buses are unable to stop and unload students safely in the morning if cars are parked in the bus stops.

RI Breakup

The RI break up is on Monday 4th December (not the 11th as previously advertised). The break up will take place in the assembly area from 2:30pm.

Parents, grandparents and other family are invited to attend. Please bring a plate of food to share.

School Council

The next meeting of the School Council is on Wednesday 29th November at 6:00pm in the

Staffroom.

Art Showcase

This year we will be holding an Art Showcase to celebrate the artistic endeavours of all of our students. Art works that have been awarded prizes at local events will be on show, as will the current art activities that the students are involved in. The Art Room will be open from Monday 4th to Friday 8th December in both the morning and the afternoon. We hope that you are able to come along and take a look at all the artwork.

Calendar Fundraiser

This week all students received an individual log in, to order a calendar or cards. The children completed the art as part of the art program earlier this term. The calendars can be viewed at www.kidsartworks.com.au. An example of the

Concert video is ready for you to view and download at your leisure.

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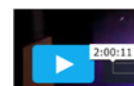
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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep C

Ava Delorenzo

Prep M

Ryan Burns

Prep D

Bryce Stokes

1T

Holly Boulton

Kaleb Bertoli

1F

Rylie Crabtree

Max Creek

2W

Maddison Horsfall

2J

Stephanie Ryan-Orchard

2R

Zoe Howard

3T

Addison Bell

3C

Charlotte Hawson

4R

Rose Livingston

4V

Emma Snell

5G

Molly Barrot

Jenna Coppola

5H

Liam Rielly

Dusty Geister

6S

Will Gilding

6A

Tessa Melton

Art

Archie Thompson

Drama

Lars Castleman

PE

Mia Mayne

Principal

Monique Rowett

Kaiden Wilkie

ROSES GAP Grade 5 & 6

At Roses Gap the thing that I found most challenging was abseiling because the very first step that you have to take is really scary and it feels as if you are about to fall. Then once you get the hang of it, it starts to get really easy and was one of my favourite activities.

Mackenzie Phelan



During camp I was most proud of my positive attitude towards the activities. At first I thought I would not even climb the mountain that you had to climb to go abseiling. Then I did it and I ended up doing abseiling because I told myself that I would do it. Doing this really pushed me out of my comfort zone and I am very proud of myself.

Natalie Tabacco

The thing I found most challenging was the giant swing. The reason was because I don't like show rides and this was practically like a show ride. I also didn't like the free fall bit right at the start where you pull the rope yourself!

Dusty Geister

I am most proud of my bravery towards abseiling. The first time I saw the cliff we were abseiling off I felt really excited and not nervous at all. Then when it was my turn to go down the cliff, I got very overwhelmed and stressed out. Eventually, I started going down very slowly, and soon after that I was at the bottom.

Meg Neagle

At Roses Gap Camp the thing I found most challenging was abseiling. I found this hard because it doesn't feel natural going down a cliff backwards. On the rock I abseiled down the short way which was only about 2 meters. The thing I am most proud of is the big swing. I am proud of this because I have had the chance to do the swing before and I did not do it so I had a go this time, even though I didn't go very far. If I could do one activity again I would go the vertical play pen. This is because I could have gone higher.

Darcie Peters

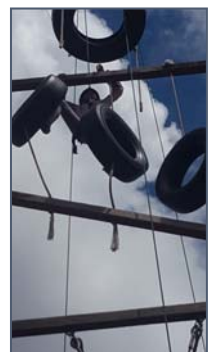


I am most proud of doing Abseiling and not freaking out when I was on the cliff. It was very nerve racking leaning of the face of a cliff but I still did it and it was something I have never done before in my life.

Ethan Norris

If I was to do the giant swing again I would try to get all the way to the top. I was a bit nervous for the swing, but I found it fun in the end. I only got up to red and green, so next time I want to get up to the purple.

Mia Mayne



ROSES GAP Grade 5 & 6



CALENDAR 2017/2018

Week	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
NOVEMBER	27 8	28	29 School Council 6pm	30 Prep Inquiry Celebration	1	2	3 Choir performing at Irymple Carols by Candlelight
DECEMBER	4 'Bizarre Bazaar' RI Break up Art Showcase 9	5 Prep 2018 Transition #3	6 Ballet Excursion	7 Prep Excursion & Dinner Grade 3/4 Inquiry Celebration	8	9	10
DECEMBER	11 10	12 Grade 6 Transition Prep 2018 Transition #4	13 Grade 6 Dinner	14 CURRICULUM DAY	15	16	17
DECEMBER	18 Grade 6 Graduation 11	19	20	21	22 End of Term 4	23	24
DECEMBER	25 	26	27	28	29	30	31 
JANUARY	1 2018	2	3	4	5	6	7
JANUARY	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
JANUARY	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
JANUARY	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
JANUARY	29	30 Start of Term 1	31	1	2	3	4

TERM DATES 2018

Term 1: 30th January to 29th March

Teachers will officially return to school on Monday
January 29th

All students will begin school on Tuesday January 30th

Term 2: 16th April to 29th June

Term 3: 16th July to 21st September

Term 4: 8th October to 2nd December

Happy Birthday

NOVEMBER

Maya McGregor (19th)
Lachlan Adolph (20th)
Blake Sullivan (22nd)
Archer Bruhn (24th)
Lars Castleman (24th)
Cooper Waylen (24th)
Jett Belsham (26th)



**ALL PARENTS AND STUDENTS
ARE INVITED TO...
5/6 UNIT BIZARRE BAZAAR**

bazaar
bə'zɑ:
noun

1. a market place or a shopping quarter.

WHAT:

Through our Inquiry unit, the Grade 5 and 6 students have been gaining a real-life understanding of the design and production process by creating a brand new product out of recycled materials. Every student has produced an item that has been marketed and will be sold at our market called 'Bizarre Bazaar'. Prices range from 50c to \$5.00 per item with the proceeds of the market then directed to a selected charity.

WHEN:

Monday 4th December @ 11.45am – 1.15pm.

WHERE:

New assembly area.

A small selection of the large array of products for sale are shown below:



**MLC
Homemade
Cards**



**Sensational
Succulent
Jars**



**Milestone
Medals**



**Savia
Wooden
Pens**