Thursday 10 September 2015

**Kindergarten Orientation**
Next Wednesday 16th September we will be holding our next kindergarten orientation session from 9.30am. The 2016 kindergarten students will complete activities in the classrooms and the parents will be invited to the hall for an information session and morning tea. We encourage all to attend as this provides an opportunity to discuss students’ first year at school, first day arrangements and to finalise enrolments for 2016 kinder students if required.

**Jump Rope for Heart**
Today students at BPS participated in jump rope for heart, completing a tabloid of activities during the morning session. Students have demonstrated a wide range of skipping skills whilst both improving their fitness and raising money for the Heart Foundation.

**Term 4**
Term 4 commences on Tuesday 6th October for all students, with no school development day at the commencement of term 4.

**Breakfast Club**
Each Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning staff run a breakfast club for students between 8.45-9am. Students can join us for toast, cereal, fruit and a drink. There is no cost for breakfast club, just a great opportunity to enjoy breakfast and chat with some friends.

**Infants’ Excursion**
This week the students in K-2 travelled to Maitland to visit the steam museum and the Maitland art gallery. We got to ride on a steam train and complete art activities in the gallery. All students reported a fantastic day and arrived back at school excited about their adventure.

**Before and after school arrangements**
The school day runs from 9.15am-3.15pm each day at BPS, with morning supervision commencing at 8.45am. For safety reasons it is important that students are not on site outside of these times, with early arrival or late departure putting children at risk. Should parents experience difficulty in dropping off or collecting students promptly at these times there are several before and after school care providers in Cessnock that may be able to provide some assistance.

**School tunic**
Yesterday a note went home to further explore the idea of changing our current school tunic to a more modern alternative. At this stage we are asking for the communities’ view of whether a change is supported or not. When we have addressed this question we will revisit the specifics of the uniform change itself.

*Luke Hubbert*
*Principal*
Students of the Week

KH
- Emma M for working cooperatively during groups.
- Taylah L for using wonderful strategies in her writing.
- Carter B for being a kind and friendly student.
- Tamika S for wonderful presentation of work.

KT
- Aurora T for being a fantastic class helper.
- Phoebe A for being a happy, enthusiastic learner.
- Neville K for excellent effort and achievement in maths.
- Isaac H for improved reading fluency.

S1G
- Charlie C for great mathematical thinking.
- Madison F for being a safe, respectful learner.

S1PB
- Shanay S for listening in class.
- Gabriel G for improved handwriting and bookwork.
- Jaxson F for more settled behaviour.
- Thomas M for respectful classroom behaviour.

S1S
- Ruby T for improvement in reading.
- Ethan B for his efforts in maths.
- Janae H for being a lovely friend to all students.
- Ayden S for putting his effort into every subject.

S12C
- Logan W for improved efforts in Literacy.
- Katelyn S for steady improvements in all subjects.

S2E
- Will S for fantastic work on information reports.
- Sophie C for Beautiful handwriting in class.

S2S
- Seth R for consistently giving 100% effort.
- Stefanny S for having a fantastic week 7.

S3B
- Sam V for demonstrating excellent behaviour whilst in Canberra.
- Sarah B for demonstrating excellent behaviour whilst in Canberra.

S3M
- Hayden P for displaying excellent knowledge about Canberra.
- Carla O for providing great questions and answers on Stage 3 camp.

S3R
- Ella-Grace O for being respectful to others.
- Riley A for Quality work in Math.

Congratulations to the following student for receiving their Bronze Award

| S3B | Lachlan B |

Congratulations to the following students for receiving their Silver Award

| S3B | Mali G | Cody L | Thomas N | Zacharia W | Leo L |

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PACER Rebate.

Students from our school or have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of $20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate was paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.