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**BINGAL WINNERS WEEK 5 & WEEK 6**

Grace Large  Aidan Manning  Skye Mayor  Emily Nielsen

**What’s Happening**
- Daniel Fox visit to SPS Monday 24 August
- Book Week Monday 24 August to Friday 28 August.
- Book Parade in Cootamundra, Friday 28th August.  
  (Please start thinking about your book characters for the parade).
  PERMISSION NOTE INCLUDED

**Message from Principal**
Thank you to all parents who were able to attend the 3 way interviews. We see these as a very valuable experience for the children, as they discuss their own learning; what they feel positive about, what they feel they need to improve and how they think they can achieve those improvements.

This type of goal setting is very important, as it has the potential to guide their learning in a meaningful way. I hope you gained an insight into your child’s work and an understanding of their strengths and areas for where extra development is needed. Remember that you are welcome to visit our classes to see what we are doing at any time. Just let us know if you are coming to visit in case it clashes with something that is already planned.

On Wednesday Mr Trickett and Mrs Webber completed a lesson study activity based on mathematics and differentiating the learning tasks for students. Differentiating tasks simply means organizing activities so that the range of abilities in your class is catered for. This is done by creating scaffolds for students who need more help and extension activities for those who have a better understanding of the concepts being taught. As always both teachers found this an excellent learning opportunity, with feedback on our lessons allowing us to continue to develop our skill sets.
Well done to all of our athletes who attended the District Athletics Carnival.

It was reported that all students competed well and enjoyed the event. All we ever expect is that students compete to the best of their ability, play fairly and enjoy the experience. I will include more specific results when these are forwarded to me.

Thank you to the parents who assisted with transport, it is always appreciated.

On Tuesday 18th August, Mr Trickett’s class attended an excursion to the DPI Field Study Centre in Wagga to look at the studies that are carried out to help farmers make decisions that help them grow more productive crops. We looked at pulses (legumes) such as chick peas, fava beans, peas and lupins. We saw the nodules that fix the nitrogen in the soil and were told how the different studies were set up and what data they hoped to gather and how it might help the farmers with their crop rotations. We also visited the cereal paddocks and viewed seeds and plants that were being studied in this section.

After visiting the DPI we travelled through Marrar to Daniel Fox’s farm.

Daniel is the young farmer who has been linked to our school as part of the Archibull project. Dan and his parents showed us their various crops and discussed their farming processes before showing us their huge machinery. The children were very impressed and were able to sit in the driver’s seat to get a feel for what it might be like to drive on of these headers or tractors.

We finished the day with cupcakes cooked by Dan’s mum.

Again thank you to all the parents who assisted on the day, making the excursion possible.

Daniel will be visiting our school on Monday next week to talk to the children and help with our book.

On Wednesday 19th August, Cootamundra Public School came to our school to complete the last round of the Premiers Debating Challenge. The topic was that ‘School holidays should be longer.’ Our team argued the negative for this debate with all students showing developing skills in this most difficult of activities.

Cootamundra Public won the debate, but our team put up a spirited performance with some very good arguments being developed and presented. It was a very enjoyable debate to listen to and all members of the team are to be commended on their efforts.
WEEK 5 AND 6 IN K/1/2

Ben’s Reggie the Veggie story:
Reggie and Ben went to the park today at 1 pm. They played on the slide. They had lots of fun and went home.

Ben and Lucas are on computer doing their ocean pictures.
Aidan and Wyatt are doing their Reggie Veggie stories.