Principal’s Message

Welcome to the Stock Report for Week 4, 5 & 6 Term 1 2015.

It seems like I’ve entered a time warp when I sit down to write this week’s Stock Report. Many of the events seem to have happened ages ago. I suppose that’s what happens when a term is flying past.

GOOD READERS AWARDS
Adam Mayor – Showing a love of books and reading
Ben Mayor – Always showing enthusiasm and having a go

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH
Samuel Matthews – Beautiful Butterflies
Danniella Berghuis – Linked Pretzels

AUSSIES OF THE MONTH
Skye Mayor – Showing kindness to others
Ted Caldwell – Sensible thoughtful behaviour

Special Awards were presented at the Thursday morning assembly.

BINGAL WINNERS
Chelsea Reid Jeffrey Harris

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In week 4 members of the Probus Club came to the school and presented us with a cheque and certificate, as a thank you for our school performance at the end of last year during their Christmas party, which was held at the Stockinbingal Bowling club. It was fantastic that they showed their appreciation in this way and let our children know that their performances are valued. Sam Reid our school captain did an excellent job of accepting the gifts and thanking our visitors.

A convoy of cars left Stockinbingal at 10 AM arriving at the Canberra Theatre in time for lunch on the steps. The children enjoyed a very entertaining performance by 4 very energetic actors. It was a brilliant example of how to make mime work to tell a story. I would like to thank the P&C for their support by contributing funds towards this excursion. I would also like to thank all of the parents who assisted with transport and especially those who transported the children of others.

Currently Mr Trickett’s class are using ‘Class Dojo’ to implement their reward system. As an extension of this I have sent home a letter inviting parents and students to join ‘Class Dojo’ so that they may view the rewards their child has received in the class, and also as a simple means of communicating messages between school and home. Please read the letter and if you are happy to join, return the bottom slip so that I know you are linked. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Mr Trickett will be absent on Friday, 6 March and Monday, 9 March as he will be travelling to and from Melbourne to celebrate his son Noah’s 21st birthday.
Professional Development

Mr Trickett and Mrs Webber completed their first lesson study for the year on Wednesday, 18 February. The focus of this study was the introduction of a unit of work using Inquiry-Based Learning. Inquiry-Based Learning is one of the learning styles that we are trying to introduce into our classes which will encourage the development of 21st-century learning skills, while students build knowledge around specific areas of study.

Mr Trickett attended a Principal’s Conference in Wagga on Thursday and Friday the 19th and 20th of February. This conference had the Deputy Secretary discussing the new reforms for schools and how they were being implemented across the State. Other speakers discussed issues relating to legal responsibilities, personnel management, staffing processes and media management.

Mrs Toni MacDonald our new Director of Public Education visited our school on Thursday, 26 February to get a feel for our school and discuss what we were doing and why we were doing it. She looked at our draft school plan and was happy to see that we were moving forward with 21st-century learning in our school. She was also very impressed with a new furniture.

Mr Trickett attended a Learning Innovations Meeting in Sydney on Friday, 27 February.

As the Riverina Area Representative it is my responsibility to help develop study papers that will determine future directions on many educational issues relating to schools in New South Wales. At the moment I am leading a group that is looking at the teaching styles (pedagogy) required to get the greatest benefit for schools using flexible learning spaces.

As you can see this research and its application will be of direct benefit for our school, its future direction, its teachers and students. While in Sydney I also visited IKEA (despite the mental anguish), and purchased some storage furniture and tote trays for both classrooms. This furniture had been discussed by the teachers and the P&C as part of the finishing touches to our rooms.

Thanks to the P&C for the funding of this furniture. It really does smarten up the classrooms.

Mrs Cheryl McKee attended our school on Wednesday, 4 March to discuss our Work Health and Safety policies and update some information in relation to these.

On Wednesday, 4 March Mr Trickett and Mrs Webber completed an online course relating to the Disability Discrimination Act and its implications in schools and education. This course has confirmed our understanding of the need to make adjustments to allow all students to access the curriculum on a level playing field.

What’s Happening

- Woodcut at Reid’s property, Sunday 8 March
- Baldry Shield on Friday, 13 March
- Stockinbingal Village Fair, Sunday 15 March
- School Photos Wednesday, 18 March
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- Special Assembly Friday, 20 March
- School Cross-Country Thursday, 2 April

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COSTS TO PARENTS

- Voluntary School Contributions

School Contribution rates will remain the same as last year.
$28 – 1 student; $32 – 2 students; $38 – 3 or more students.
Please pay these contributions at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

YOUNG MOBILE PLAY ACTIVITIES @ STOCKINBINGAL SCHOOL
$3 child/$5 family - Every fortnight - Wednesday 11th March – 1.00 pm to 2.45 pm. All families are welcome.

PERMISSION NOTES
Please sign and return to school Tuesday 10 March

Baldry Shield Small Schools Sports Day

SPS uniform items have been donated to the school. Gold coin donation for any of these items. Enquire at the school office.

REGISTRATION DAY
Saturday 14 March
9 – 12 noon
Front of Rudd’s Sports Power, Parker Street
$65 per player (1st & 2nd child)
$55 per player (3rd child) and FREE for 4th child
5 to 16 years
All registered players receive a FREE soccer ball
** Players are also invited to register and pay on-line at www.myfootballclub.com.au

Stockinbingal Village Fair
Sunday 15 March
Official opening at midday by School Captain
Sam Reid
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