BROULLEE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Principal’s News

Tuesday, 28 October 2014

Technology Conference

Several staff from Broulee PS presented at a Wollongong Regional Technology Conference today. The conference, which attracted schools from the government, independent and private sectors showcased schools and staff that were recognised as leaders in this area. Mrs Lynne Takacs, Miss Sam Clarke and Mrs Simone Elliott presented on a range of topics including coding, using digital technology to support curriculum delivery and the school's "Bring Your Own Technology" (BYOT) program and policy.

Mindfulness

Yesterday afternoon staff joined together for some special staff development on the concept of "Mindfulness".

The session was led by Jean Watson who has an MA in this area from Oxford University. Jean has extensive experience working with students and staff in England and defines "Mindfulness" as "learning to direct our attention to our experience as it unfolds, moment by moment. It trains us to respond skilfully to whatever is happening right now".

Research has shown that mindfulness training has been shown to improve health and wellbeing and that people can learn more effectively, think more clearly, perform better and feel calmer, less anxious and less depressed.

Although mindfulness has been practised in England and America, Broulee PS is the first school in Australia to look at this particular evidenced based course from Oxford.

We are extremely thankful to Jean, who while visiting relatives in the area so very kindly donated her time and knowledge to our school.

Upcoming Events – Click on link below to see our Calendar


To create a passion for lifelong learning with a commitment to innovative, flexible & creative thinking.
Stage 2 Excursion
Stage 2 students along with staff will leave tomorrow, Wednesday for their major three day excursion to Jindabyne. I know they will have an interesting and happy time. A reminder that students need to bring a healthy snack on the first day for the 1/2 hour stop that they will have during the bus trip to Jindabyne. No lollies or soft drink please.

P&C Working Bee: this Saturday 1 November starting 7 am
Please come along – even if you can only spare 1 hour!!! Many hands make light work. Lunch provided.

This Thursday’s assembly at 1.45 pm will be led by 2F. All families are welcome to attend.

Sue Lowe
Principal

ELC Chess Competition
The ELC Chess Competition was held on the 23rd of October. There were many different schools at the competition including Broulee Public. The Broulee team had four players – Thomas Derwent, Stuart Megee, Max Cooper and Wade McDonald. The Broulee team played many other schools including Batemans Bay Public, Batemans Bay High, Sunshine Bay Public, Moruya High, Moruya Public and Narooma Public.

There were 44 people at the event. Each team had four people (some schools had multiple teams). The winning school was Batemans Bay Public which won 22 of the 24 games they played. Each person had to play 6 games. Broulee won 6 of their 24 games as the competition was very difficult. It was a great day. All the members of the team would like to thank Andrew Derwent for driving the team to the event.

by Thomas Derwent and Stuart Megee

Thought for the Week

Live Well, Leave Well
Our mortality is a social justice issue
You can be a contributor
Know what choices are available to you
And why you're making them.

Wade McDonald, Max Cooper, Stuart Megee & Thomas McDonald
Lip Dub

Last week we performed and filmed our whole school Lip Dub of “Paint You A Song”. Please click here to upload the link.

Term 4 Week 3
Stage 1 Aidan
Stage 2 Olivia
Stage 3 Joel B

Principal’s Stickers
P&C News

Working Bee
The P&C Working Bee will be held this Saturday 1 November starting at 7 am. Please come along and lend a hand – even if you can only spare an hour. Lunch will be provided.

Garden Committee
The Garden Committee meeting has been postponed until next Thursday 6 November at 3 pm.

WALK-A-THON 14th November
The Walk-a-thon is on in 2 1/2 weeks. Please help by encouraging your children to ask friends and family if they would like to sponsor them. Every dollar helps the school provide great programs and resources for the students.
On the day we would like some helpers to transport lunch boxes to and from the Surf Club at about 10.30 am and 12.30 pm.
We would also like some helpers to put up sun shelters at the Surf Club at about 10.30 am.
Please email, call or text Natalie if you're able to lend a hand.
Email: nataliefairweather@hotmail.com Phone: 0429 628892

Bengello Bites– Canteen
Pie Day – Friday 7 November
On Friday 7 November, Pies and Sausage Rolls will replace the regular Menu. Please watch for the Order Form arriving home this week. Please return the pre-order ASAP and no later than Wednesday 5 November.

Please also note that 300 ml Banana Milk is no longer being produced and therefore, no longer available on our menu.
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Gold Awards

Congratulations on being the first recipient of the Gold Merit Award in 2014
Sophie Foster

Sky Lewis, Summer Bradshaw & Saul Dolphin

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Silver Awards

Morris Absolon, Mary Woodford, Jayden Dawson, Simone Bingley-Hughes, Gretel Smith, Macie Bos & Max Andrews

Bronze Award

Billy Williams
### Weekly Class Awards

**Class Award Winners**

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### Community News

**Moruya Touch Football**

Juniors competition starts Monday 27 Oct, under 10s comp only.

We are going to trial an older kids system for skills development, training and scratch games. This will go from about 5 pm to 5.45 pm all 10 to 16 year olds welcome.