ASSEMBLY AWARDS Term 4 Week 4

K-2 Class Award
James Sampson
A positive attitude towards learning.

Principal’s Award
Tobias Douglas
Being responsible in all areas of school life.

3-6 Class Award
Emily Milo
Being a diligent and responsible student.

Caught You Being Good
Ticket Winner

Congratulations Evangeline Walsh who received the Caught You Being Good prize in Week Four of Term Four.
Halloween

Last Friday, all the ghouls, witches, zombies, jokers and ghastly creatures from around the district gathered at our school for some Halloween fun. To keep them in order we had Night Watch Mike, Crocodile Dundee and Batman! The students looked amazing in their costumes and from all recounts had a fantastic day. Primary students explored the history and tradition behind this occasion and were surprised to learn that it was originally brought to the USA by Irish immigrants escaping the potato famine in their home country. Students completed literacy and maths activities around the Halloween theme (much to Sam’s disappointment, who thought his ‘Halloween booklet’ would contain fun, not activities to do with similes!). Other activities included Boo Bowling, Apple Bobbing, Pin the Spider on the Web and Pumpkin Maths. Students enjoyed a delicious luncheon and lots of treats beautifully made by parents and staff. There were prizes galore for games and best costumes. A visitor to our school on the day commented on what a lovely school we had and how much fun the students were having. Congratulations to our delightful students who showed great behaviour and impressive manners.
Tobias, otherwise known as Crocodile Dundee took up the challenge of the ‘Mystery Box’ and was not impressed with his catch of sardines!

It was interesting to see the different strategies our students used when playing Pin the Spider on the Web. We have some very clever students!

Boo Bowling was a strike!

Apple Bobbing was lots of fun!
**Kindergarten Readiness Information**

On Friday 6th December, parents of students attending kindergarten in 2016 are invited to an information session with Miss Burford (K-2 teacher) and Miss McCauley (School Administration Manager). The session will be held in the school library and will provide parents with the opportunity to discuss any matters that have arisen throughout the Kindergarten orientation program and to provide information on classroom routines and administration procedures. The session will start at 10am.

**Remembrance Day Ceremony**

Year 6 will be hosting a special Remembrance Day assembly on Wednesday 11th November from 10.30am to 11.15am in the school library. Everyone is welcome to attend. There will be no assembly this week as awards will be given at the Wednesday assembly.

**Hamper Donations**

Thankyou to the families that have sent in donations of grocery items for the P&C Christmas hamper. We still need donations of suitable items including canned goods, biscuits, nuts, Christmas lollies, bon-bons, toiletries and general grocery items to fill the basket. Please support the wonderful fundraising efforts of the P&C by making a small contribution to the hamper. Tickets for the hamper will be on sale at the end of year presentation.

**School Musical**

We have been very busy on Tuesdays rehearsing our school musical. Students have been participating in readers theatre, music and singing lessons as well as drama coaching. The musical will be presented at the end of year presentation night. This week students will be bringing home their parts and words to the songs that they will be singing so that they can learn their lines at home. We are also organising costumes and will send home information on what students are wearing. The school is organising most costumes however parents will be asked to help out with basic items that are needed and can be found in most wardrobes. It is so exciting!

**After Hours**

It is disappointing to report that people have been inappropriately using our school grounds after hours. There has been cans and rubbish left in the sand pit and wads of chewing gum spat onto the concrete areas. There have also been reports of the school bell being rung after hours and toilets being used inappropriately. It is not safe for students to be on school grounds after hours unsupervised and people should not be in school grounds without proper authority. Thank you to the community members who watch out for our beautiful school and grounds, we appreciate your support.

**Absence Notes**

Some families will soon receive a note from the school listing dates that their child was absent from school with no written explanation note provided. Please provide reasons for these absences and return to school as soon as possible so that records can be adjusted prior to the reporting period.
Sculpture Unit

Students in Years 3-6 have explored using plaster bandage as a medium for sculpture in a unit of work titled ‘Monster Hands’. In this unit they created casts of their own hands using exaggeration, distortion and special painting techniques to create a fantasy monster hand. Their finished sculptures were amazing!

Some of the amazing monster hand sculptures made by students in Years 3-6
NOVEMBER

2nd November  P&C meeting 3.15pm
11th November  Remembrance Day
12th November  THS CAPA Workshop Day 10.45-1.30pm
23rd November Year 6 Farewell Dinner
30th November –11th December Intensive Swimming at Nundle Pool (2 weeks)

DECEMBER

3rd December  THS Orientation 9.30-2.00pm
3rd December  OHS Orientation 9.30-2.00pm
9th December  Presentation Night

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