

## Principals Message

This term we returned to our refurbished permanent buildings. It was a busy time over the holidays at Crabbes Creek PS with demountable classrooms being removed, finishing touches put on the classrooms and administration area, furniture moved in and general organisation in preparation for the children's arrival. When the children arrived back to their classrooms, there were lots of smiles and much excitement.

Since the children's arrival back from holidays, work has begun on reinstating an upgraded carpark, turf has been laid in the main playground and construction of the access to the canteen started. The extensions to the canteen are looking great and once completed will provide us with a flexible multipurpose facilities. The turf will take some time to settle in and take root, in preparation for the heavy traffic of energy filled play. Growing conditions and the need to ensure the turf survives will determine how long before the area is opened. In the meantime, the children continue to spend recesses in the lower playground areas. Thisincludes the fixed play equipment and sandpit. During Lunch time the children enjoy the expanse of the sports field. With landscaping to begin in the front garden, we are getting ever closer to the end of the rebuild process. Well done Crabbes Creek PS community we are almost there.

Congratulations to the Banna Benders who won this Fun Family Athletics Day. This favoured event saw lots of cheers, thrills, spills, excitement and fun. This year there was a special event. Members from the Building Project Control Group took time out of their busy schedule to join in on the fun. The builders' team included members from Schools Infrastructure NSW, Public Works and Bennetts. The builders' team bravely entered the sports field to accept the challenge of a special tug of war. A huge congratulations to the Crabbes Creek PS Parents Team who dragged the builders around the sports field and won the event 2 to 1 . Well done the builders' team who so graciously accepted a result that may have been rigged by Mr Hollis. Also thank you Bennetts, the building contractor, who supplied a chef and all the food for the BBQ. Thank you, Mr Hollis, for running the event and ensuring all the children and community members had so much fun.

Congratulations to the kinder students who celebrated their first 100 days of school with their Year 1 friends. There were lots of activities involving 100, linking this important mathematical concept to the children's real world. Make sure you check out the photos.

This semester Miss Hays will be implementing our small group learning program. Miss Hays is currently undergoing an assessment phase. The program assists teachers to gain a deeper understanding of students' strengths and areas for focus. Miss Hays and our teaching team then develop teaching strategies and activities that accurately target individual and small group needs. This ensures students continue to move along and enjoy success in their learning. Small group learning is funded by a combination of the COVID Intensive Learning Program 2023 and other school equity funding. If your child is to be included in regular small group lessons your classroom teacher will discuss this with you or you will be informed by a letter.

Pleas note the calendar on this newsletter as there is a lot coming up to look out for. This Includes 4-6 camp, K2 excursion, Writers Festival, Life Ed Van and the Music Festival.

Also please note the attached Kinder Orientation Flyer. If you know of anyone who is looking for a little school like yours, please pass on this information to them. Brev Belleville

Your child's wellbeing and learning is important. If you have any particular issues/inquiries/concerns or questions, it is best to make an appointment with your child's classroom teacher as the first port of call through the office. For something you feel is more significant, please do not hesitate to contact our principal.

## Dates to Remember

## Wk. 10- Naidoc week.

## Fri 30 June-Performance

Friday 30 June Last day term 2
Term 3 students return Tuesday 18 July
July
Wk. 3- Education week
Mon 31 July to Wed 2 Aug 3-6
Camp
August
Wed 2-K-2 Byron bay Wildlife Sanctuary Excursion
Thu 3-P\&C Meeting 3pm
Wk. 4 - Wed 9 - Writers Festival
Wk.5-Science Week
Mon 14-Life Ed Van
Thurs 17- Bangalow Music Festival Wk. 6 Fri 25 Book Parade

## September

Wk. 7
Fri 1-Kids in the Kitchen
Wk. 8- Thurs7-P\&C Meeting 3pm
Last Day Term 3 Friday 22
September
Term 4 students return Monday 9

## October

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Wk. 1-Fri 13 Pirate Day
Wk. 2 - Wed 18 School Photos
Wk. 3-Thu 26 P\&C Meeting 3pm
Wks. 3 to 7 - Kinder Orientation
Thurs 26 Oct, 2, 9, 16 Nov.

## November

Wk. 5-Dental Visit
Wk. 7 -Fri 24 Kids in the Kitchen
Wk. 8 -Intensive Swimming 5 days
Wk. 8 Thu $30 \mathrm{P} \& \mathrm{C}$ Meeting 3pm December
Wk. 9-Thur 7 Presentation Day Wk. 10- Tue 12 Pool Party Last day Term 4 for students Friday 15th December

## PB4L Awards



## Uniforms

School uniforms are available from the office. Families source their own royal blue track pants and black or blue leggings.
If you choose to wear a jumper that is not ordered through the school please ensure it is royal blue.

## Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...
When your child misses just... $\quad$ they miss weeks per year and years over their school life


## 100 Days of school

On Friday, K-1 had a wonderful day celebrating 100 days of school.
Our day was filled with all things related to 100 .
K-1 drew a self-portrait of what they thought they would look like at 100 years of age, counted to 100 by 1 s and skip counted to 100 by 10 s , threaded a necklace with 100 beads, made a 100 days of school crown and ended the day with a dance party. All the students looked fabulous in their dress ups. Thank you to all the mums, dads and carers for helping K-1 with their dress ups for the day and also collecting $100 \mathrm{ob}-$ jects for us to compare.
Ms Brock



