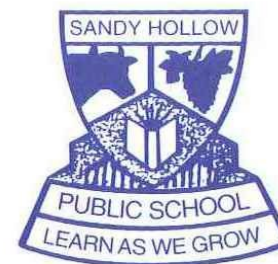




Mrs Parker and all students and staff enjoyed a birthday cake at the end of last term. Hope you had a great day Mrs P, from all of us here at Sandy Hollow!



# SANDY HOLLOW SNIPPETS "Creating Future Leaders"

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17th July 2013

Welcome back. I hope everyone had a restful holiday. We have plenty of activities happening this term, including a percussion performance, Zumbatomic, Rail safety talk, whole school excursion to see Emily Eyefinger in Newcastle, Singleton Beef Competition and Netball Gala day, just to name a few. Please keep your eye out for notes regarding these activities.

## Staff Development Day

All staff attended the "Everybody Hurts Sometimes ... Anger Management Tools and Strategies workshop" conducted by Phil Nunn. We learnt about what is anger, how this particularly impacts on adolescents, what is challenging behaviour, factors that influence anger and how to deal with anger. The workshop was quite informative and we all walked away with new strategies to use and a new perspective of anger management. Thank you to Katie Burgess for organising this workshop for the staff of the Invermein group.

## Restructuring

This term sees the beginning of the restructuring of the school education areas. We have moved into a new group called Wollemi, which now includes schools as far north as Currabubula and west to Wollar, Ulan and Dunedoo. Mr Rob Farley will no longer be our director as he has accepted a position in Newcastle. Our new director, Mark Young, will be based in Tamworth.

## Canteen

Canteen will resume next Monday. Students must pay for their lunch orders when they are ordered. Students without money will not be given an order. As harsh as this sounds, it sometimes takes several weeks to recouperate the owing money. Our canteen operates on minimal profit so that the students can enjoy their food at the a cheap price.

When students are consuming food and not paying for it, the canteen runs at a loss. If you are experiencing difficulties or have any questions please contact Mrs Darlington prior to ordering your child's lunch.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

**P&C Meeting 2pm in the Music Room**  
**Thurs 18th July**

**Tae Kwon Do Demonstration**  
**11.30am Friday 19th July**  
**Followed by Assembly**  
**All Welcome**

**Percussion visit with UH Conservatorium of Music**  
**Mon 22nd July**

**Education Week**  
**29th July to 2nd August**

**Canteen Monday 22nd July**  
**Katie McLean**

**Next Toybox**  
**Monday 29th July - Fire Brigade visit**

**Claim the Date**  
\* Zumbatomic Begins Fri 26th July  
\* Rail Safety Visit 5th August

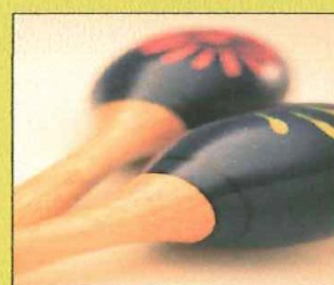
## RADIUS PERCUSSION SCHOOLS TOUR

**Monday 22nd July**

**Time: 2.00pm**

**Sandy Hollow  
Public School**

The performance will feature local percussionists, Upper Hunter Conservatorium of Music Director Adam Wills and James Townsend. Included in the performance will be a variety of percussion music and instruments.



**Please come along and join us.**





### **School Website**

The website has recently been updated, with the calendar containing all planned activities. Permission notes for those activities will be attached shortly.

### **Tae Kwon Do**

Mr Tony Gillespie will be holding a Tae Kwon Do demonstration at school this Friday at 11.30am. Parents are invited to come along to watch. We will hold our Friday school assembly straight after the demonstration.

### **Zumbatomic®**

Christine Scott will conduct six Zumbatomic® lessons this term. They will occur on Fridays – 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> August and 6<sup>th</sup> September. The cost to students for this activity will be \$2.20 per session or \$13.20 if paying in full. All students are expected to participate in this activity as it forms part of our PE program.

### **Premiers Spelling Bee**

The spelling bee will be conducted at the end of this term. A new app has been released for those students wishing to try out for our school team. It is available via Samsung.com. It requires operating system Android Froyo 2.2. This app is free. We will hold school trials in week 7 or 8.

### **Fundraising**

Thank you to all parents and community members who supported our Walkathon by sponsoring students. We managed to raise \$2650 of which \$1775 will go towards our major excursion to Canberra next year. Our next fundraiser for this term will be Cookie Dough. This will be sent home in the next few weeks.

### **Education Week**

This year Education Week starts on 29<sup>th</sup> July. There will be a formal ceremony at Merriwa Central School on Thursday 1st August. People who have been nominated for awards will receive invitations at the end of this week. Due to the Zone Carnival being held on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August, we will hold our own ceremony. All parents are welcome to join us.

### **Student medical forms**

During Terms 3 and 4 we will be updating our medical records systems to ensure we have the most up-to-date information on your child's health.

If you have a child with a medical condition you will receive a copy of the new forms in the mail and will need to fill them out and return them to us as soon as you can. The good news is we have already started collecting some of this information, which means less for you to do. The new forms will help us collect your child's important medical information and the introduction of new systems will mean we'll be able to better manage the daily and emergency health needs of your child.

We appreciate your support as we start collecting the information, and if you have any questions please call.

### **Speeches**

Early next term, we will be conducting our annual speech competition. I hope students have thought about this over the holidays. Speeches will be written in week 1 and presented to the class in week 2. We will hold the finals at a special assembly in week 3.

Topic for K/1: "What I'd like to be when I grow up".

Topic for 2-6: "What's great about where I live.."

Christina Darlington  
Principal

### **Weekly Awards**

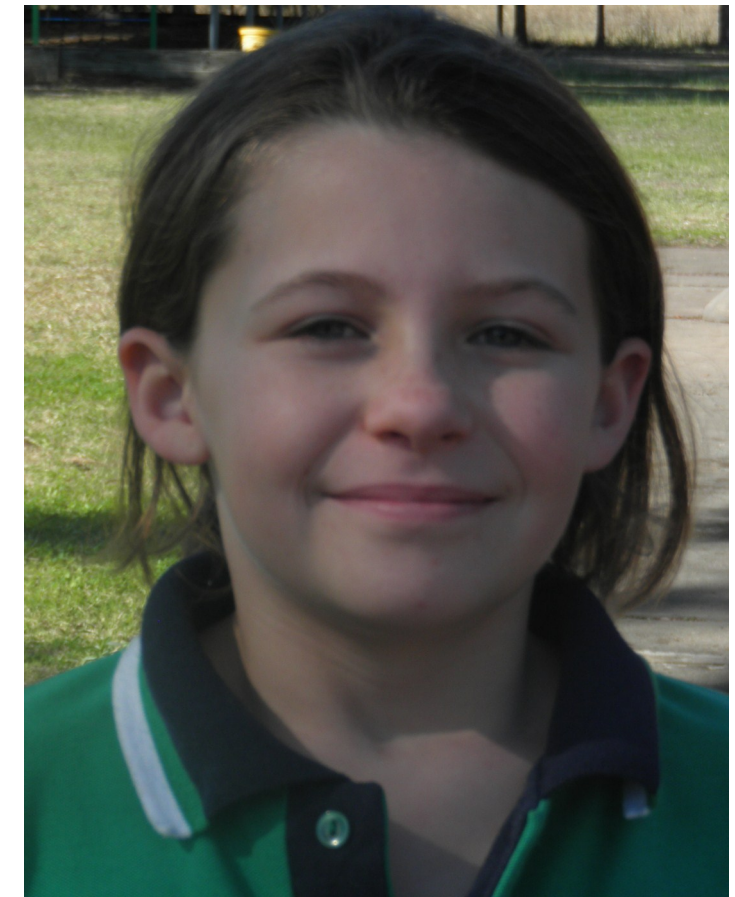
- Science Challenge Certificates were awarded to Chelsea Borradaile, Simon Budden, Amelia Harris, Hugh Higgins, Georgie Russell, Luke Sheen, Tylana Cox, Connor Hodder, Codi Marsh, Olivia McLean, Katie Pike, Nickolas Roberts, Jackson Stair and Shanay Turner.
- Homework awards were received by Chelsea Borradaile, Simon Budden, Amelia Harris, Olivia McLean, Jackson Stair, Shanay Turner, Mia Gillespie, Amy Thompson, Kristy Walker, Jackson Whalan, William Stair, Sam Thompson, Andrew Harris, Riley Borradaile, Bill Chambers and Rowdy Walters.
- Principal's Award for Attendance were received by Simon Budden, Shanay Turner, Abby Cooper, Jake Pike, Jackson Whalan, William Stair, Sam Thompson, Dustynn Turner, Andrew Harris, Bill Chambers and Lucas Stair.
- Hugh Higgins - fantastic effort in maths challenge.
- Tylana Cox— Sporting Challenge encouragement award.
- Katie Pike - trying hard in mathematics.
- Jackson Stair - fantastic effort in maths.
- Shanay Turner - Sporting Challenge encouragement award.
- Amy Thompson - working well in mathematics.
- William Stair - fantastic effort in sight word recognition.
- Natasha Marsh - Sporting Challenge encouragement award.
- Darcy Wallace - great effort in maths.
- Riley Borradaile - Sporting Challenge encouragement award.
- Bill Chambers - great effort in maths.

### **Workers of the Week**

K/1/2 - Dustynn Turner, Matthew Allen, Rhyme Anderson, Riley Borradaile.

3/4/5/6 - Chelsea Borradaile, Georgie Russell, Nickolas Roberts, Jackson Whalan.

### **Student of the Week**



Mia Gillespie - Always trying her best.

### **Term 4 Concert**

Music lessons have been going well in term 3 with students making great progress. This term we will be preparing pieces to play in our concert at the beginning of Term 4.

Parents can help their children progress by encouraging them to practise at home, or on the piano at school during break times, and making sure they bring their music books to lessons each week.

There is a vacancy for piano or beginners guitar in Term 3. If anyone would like to start their child learning one of these instruments please call me on 6547 2128 or talk to Ms Bullock.

Thank you.

Rachel Dearnley

### **Additions and Attachments**

- Term calendar.
- Family statement of account.