

'News from the Hill'

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Term 3 Week 9

8th September

From the Principal



Fathers' Day Frenzy

Students from Kindergarten to Year 6 were busy selecting their Fathers' Day gifts last week. The P&C Fathers' Day Stall provided students with the opportunity to purchase a small gift to give to dad on Sunday.

Special thanks to Deb Johns, Tracey Hyde, Tracey Thomas, Luna Hossain, Karen Slade, Sandra McAndrew and

Vinnie Hunt for giving up their time to come along and help at the stall. Over \$1300 was raised from the stall.



Golden Girls and Boys!

As usual we are very proud of students who have achieved 'Gold Level' at our school. On Thursday a large group of boys and girls will join me for a special 'Principal's Morning Tea', where they receive their Gold Awards and are able to share their achievement with many parents and family members.

Congratulations to:

Ashley Brown, J-Isaac Josen, Darrel Nucom, Hayden Hull, Jaedus Peterson, Abiaz Amin, Avantika Chand, Junior Peato, Thomas Schuster, Lexie Auld, Taylor Cayabyab, Kelvin Li, Silas Wells, Natalia Iese, Aaliyah Saliba, Melissa Amos, Priya Muduliar, Shanae Quintal and Craig Thaidy-Edwards.

Well done also to:

Gizem Biber, Ryan Hogan, Daveleen Mulbah, Rhea Norman, Shauna-Lee O'Regan, Jasais Ah Kee, Sabaa Boram, Levon Oca, Harry Saliba, Syeda Zaidi, Matilda Hull, Jordyn Lepua, Lillian Lolomanaia, Rene Sarraj, Skye Lepua, Jeamhar Mesina, Lachlan Thomas, Andy Su, Kathleen Moxham and Daniel Williams.

Amazing results!

The 2015 Premier's Reading Challenge has come to an end, with our boys and girls achieving their best results ever. Of the 658 students at our school, **631 completed the Challenge!** Thank you to the parents who encouraged their children to read at home – we couldn't have done it without you! Special thanks go to Ms Chapple, who encouraged, supported and tracked student progress to give us these great results. Certificates from the Premier should arrive in November.

A Great Partnership.

Today saw the first of many upcoming activities arranged through our formal partnership with the University of Sydney. All Year 3 students were given the opportunity to attend a performance of the '52 Storey Treehouse' at the Seymour Centre, with all costs met by the University. All students were busy reading the text before their excursion – and maybe now will be motivated to read all the other books in the series!

I do hope as many of you as possible will take the opportunity to attend next week's performances of 'REACH'. This amazing concert is the result of many months of hard work by the students of our school, Eastern Creek PS, Minchinbury PS and Rooty Hill High School. There are two performances, to be held at the church hall opposite the school, on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Make sure you are there to support our boys and girls!

Kind regards
Jackie Malecki

Calendar

**15th & 16th
Reach
Performances**

**What's happening @
Rooty Hill PS**

Mon 14th Sept
-2016 Prefect
nominations home

Tues 15th Sept
-Reach Evening
Performance

Wed 16th Sept
-Reach Evening
Performance

Fri 18th Sept
-Last day of Term 3

Tue, 6th October
-First day of Term 4

Focus of the Fortnight

- * Respond politely when spoken to
- * Use pathways when walking around the school

Kindergarten Ducklings....

Kindergarten is abuzz with new life as the students learn all about living things. This week the students have had the opportunity to experience the Hatch 'n' Grow program and have watched ducklings emerge from their eggs. Here are some examples of what the students have written about their experience.



The eggs are in the incubator. The egg was warm. The duckling made a hole in the white egg. (Zane KR)

I can't wait until the ducks hatch. The eggs are white. The ducks are yellow. (Kloe KE)

One duckling has already hatched. All the other ducks are still in the eggs. When the ducks come out of the eggs they are very wet because the egg has liquid that's why the ducks are wet. We saw the duck hatch in the incubator. (Shania KE)

I felt the duckling move inside the egg. The eggs are in the incubator and I saw a crack in the egg. (Taylor KR)



We heard the duckling chirping inside the egg. (Mikalah KN)

We heard the duckling chirping inside the egg. A baby duck is called a duckling. (Sophie KN)

There were two ducklings that came out of their eggs. One was yellow and one was dark yellow. The two of the ducklings are exhausted. (Chloe KL)

Two eggs hatched and the duckling helped the eggs to get out. The duckling was exhausted. The duckling has one tooth. The duckling is yellow and wet. (Kelvin KL)



We are looking forward to reading more stories from our Kindergarten students next week as the ducklings grow and change.

Mrs Robinson
Teacher

Learning on-the-job....

This week, three pre-service teachers from Western Sydney University will be starting their professional practice placement at our school. They will be here for all of Week 9 and then returning for a four week block in October. Ms Nicole Ryder will be working with Mrs Dollin in 1D. Ms Shauna Hawkins will be working with Miss Lewis in 1C. Mr Scott Mercieca will be working with Mrs Epps in 5/6E. I know they will gain a lot from the experience of working with our wonderful students and I'm sure our boys and girls will enjoy having them here as well.

Tianne Roberts

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Uniform Shop Hours

**Monday,
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8.30am – 9.30am**

WHAT'S NEW ON OUR WEBSITE

**Camp
Photos**

Jiminey Cricket Preschool & Long Day Care Centre

**Taking Enrolments
Now
Catering for 2-5 year
olds**

***Experienced
qualified staff *School
readiness program
*Nutritious meals
provided
*Childcare benefit
*Fully accredited
centre
*Computer learning
environment**

**Open till 6pm
9675 2129
110 McFarlane
Drive Minchinbury**

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Years 3-6 Public Speaking Competition....

We held our Public Speaking competition for years 3 – 6 on Tuesday in our school hall and I have to say that I was very impressed with the standard of speakers!

Public speaking is said to be one of the most frightening events for most people and whilst some students were a little nervous, they took it in their stride and handled the situation exceptionally well. Year 3 spoke on 'What I would change', Year 4 had the topic 'An Australian Story'. Years 5 and 6 had free choice. Each child who spoke used plenty of eye contact, their voices were loud and clear and they wrote well-structured speeches.

I'm so glad that I was not a judge, their job was extremely difficult and it was just a few points that separated the children in each grade.

Special congratulations need to go to each of the class winners below (with the grade winner in bold). These grade winners will go on to represent our school next term in the District competition, I'm sure that they will do a fabulous job.



3K - Logan Lloyd
3R - Daniel Kapustic
3S - **Ella Fishlock**
4S - Shiva Bhatt
4L - Lexie Auld
4J - Beau Curmi
4F - **Ethan Kuach**

5P - Mamao Koro
5J - Lomiah Hossain
5E - Tasha Fuentes
5K - Vinuji Polwaththa
5N - **Koralee Catlett**
6R - Atalana Simi
6D - Troy Filio
6G - Rhea-Maree Hill
6E - **Tanzeela Shakeel**

Leanne Kiely
Public Speaking co-ordinator



Lost Property...

Our lost property clothing is located on the veranda of KR classroom

Tuesday is School Banking Day



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Penrith Lakes Excursion for 6R & 5/6E....

On Wednesday 3rd of September 6R and 5/6E went on an excursion to Penrith Lakes. We did so many fun things, learning about history. We went to a graveyard and saw the graves of famous people from the past like Elizabeth Rope. We went to two cemeteries, one was called the Old Anglican Cemetery and the other was the Castlereagh Cemetery.



We visited two old churches called Christ Church and Wesleyan Church and two old schools that were built in the olden days. We had fabulous



guides with us that we were allowed to call Miss Wonderful, Miss Gorgeous and Mr Clever. We had an awesome day at Penrith Lakes, it was an excursion to remember!

By Hitakshi and Annrose, 6R



Aquathon!

I hope students are looking forward to our up and coming fundraiser in Term 4. It will be held in week 3. Sponsorship cards will be sent home on the first day back to school next term.

Thank you to the staff, families and students who supported the Aquathon in the past and we hope this years Athon will be a great success.

PRIZES:- For each \$10 students raise they will receive a ticket into the major prize draw. If a student raises \$50 then they will have 5 tickets (chances) to win. If a student raises over \$100 we will double their chances, they will receive 20 tickets.



10 Major prizes to be won



Mrs Fester and Miss Temi



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