

# BLETCHINGTON

# BUZZ



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Teachers have been busy in recent weeks writing your child's report which is due to go home in a couple of weeks. Of course this follows assessments undertaken in each grade throughout the course of the year to date. Teachers use reliable assessments to capture information about student learning which in turn informs the information included in each students' report.

Teachers share the criteria for student assessment with their students. Assessment tasks also create opportunities for students to receive feedback on their learning which allows them to know what they are being assessed on. Learning and assessment is not a secret any more, (like in my day) as it's clearly explained for our students.

Student reports also contain personalized information about individual student learning progress and achievement as well as goals for future learning.

The aim of our student reports is to ensure "parents are presented with clear information on what and how well your children are learning". These written reports complement our Three Way Conferences as we are striving to provide our parents with regular information on your children's learning as well as how to support their progress.

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*Excellence, Innovation, Community*

Week 6 Term 2 – Monday 4 June 2017

## TERM 2 - WHAT'S ON

### TERM 2 - WEEK 6

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June - PSSA Rugby League

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June - ASSEMBLY - Kindy – Yr 6 - 2.35pm

### TERM 2 - WEEK 7

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June - PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June - Western Cross Country

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June - PSSA Boys Softball

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June - Debating Gala Day

### TERM 2 - WEEK 8

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June - ASSEMBLY - Kindy – Yr 6 - 2.35pm

### TERM 2 - WEEK 8

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June - Debating Gala Day

### TERM 2 - WEEK 10

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July - ASSEMBLY - Kindy – Yr 6 - 2.35pm

## END OF TERM

### TERM 3 - WEEK 1

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July - RETURN TO SCHOOL



## PBL Winners Wk 3-4

Responsible, Respectful and Safe Behaviour

One of the key processes in our School Plan is 'continuous improvement' as we are always looking for ways to do things better at Bletchington. As we did during the Three Way Conferences, we are also looking for feedback on our reporting (written reports and Three Way Conferences) from you, our parents.

Public schools in NSW use a document called the School Excellence Framework to reflect on and guide their planning processes and how they operate. One of the excellence statements which we are working to achieve sums it up, "reporting to parents has been enhanced in response to feedback received". We will do this through a survey.

When teachers directly and regularly engage with parents to improve understanding of student learning they are also helping to strengthen student learning outcomes. Teachers at Bletchington are using conversations, Class DoJo and SeeSaw as some strategies to do this.

#### Mr Craig Booth



#### Primary School Rugby League On Show

Congratulations to Bletchington Public School Rugby League Representatives Harry Greenhalgh and Billy Morgan on their recent selection in the Western Primary Schools Open Rugby League Squad.

Harry and Billy were stand-outs at the Western Trials, and their skills and teamwork were duly noted by selectors. Harry and Billy had a terrific opportunity in the lead up to the NSW Carnival by attending a 3 day NSW NRL Development Camp at Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre recently and are looking forward to hitting their straps in a trial match/training run on June 8 in Orange. These should be great opportunities for the boys to work with highly skilled and experienced NRL Development Officers and Coach Ben Smith of Parkes Public School. The NSW Carnival runs over 3 days from June 26-28 with the view of selecting a NSW squad that will compete at the Australian Schoolboys Championships later in the year.

This year's team comprises players from Bletchington, Calare, Canobolas, Canowindra, Condobolin, Cudgegong Valley, Forbes, Kelso, Lithgow, Mudgee, Perthville, Narromine, Orange, and Perthville Public Schools along with Molong and Tottenham Central Schools.

Mr Smith has his sights set high for this year's team. "Last year the team had a hard run with several close games that with a different bounce of the ball, could have gone our way. This year I'm confident that the ball will bounce our way and the close calls will be with us. Having said that our boys did play extremely well and that was acknowledged with several of our players being considered for selection in the NSW team. I have every confidence that this year's team can step up and will do a great job during the Carnival. Who knows we may have another player stand out and be selected in the State team." He stated from League Central. "Traditionally the Western teams are considered the poorer country cousins in this competition and don't often have the size to match it with the bigger, stronger players from metropolitan teams, but this year we have a game plan to emphasise the extraordinary speed, strength and skill of the Western team. I've got great support in my manager, trainer and mentor Mr Faulkner from Bedgerabong- he'll have the kids revved up and ready come game day.

- Mr Austen Logan, NRL PSSA Co-Ordinator

### IMPORTANT DATES & TIMES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

<b>P&amp;C MEETING</b>	Tuesday 27 June	7pm in Library
<b>LITTLE CAKES</b>	Thursday 7 June - 3T	Thurs 14 June - 3MW
<b>MORE FOOD PLEASE</b>	Please remember fruit for FRUITBREAK each day	
<b>SICK BAY LINEN</b>	Volunteers required	
<b>CLOTHING POOL</b>	Any donations are welcome!	
<b>SCHOOL STREAM</b>	Don't forget to download for all school information	
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