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Principal’s Report

As we approach the end of Term 3 I would like to thank all the parents for their contributions within the school, over the past months. I would also like to acknowledge the hard work of our GA Michael Booth who always went over and beyond the expectations of a General Assistant. Unfortunately Michael has resigned from the position of GA, due to family reasons, at Booligal Public School, with the position not filled at the present time.

Belinda was also employed at the school on the SASS Staff on a casual basis. The staff and students thank Belinda for her contributions to Booligal Public School also.

Isaac and Georgia Booth are now attending Hay Public School, we miss them greatly, but wish them all the best for their schooling in Hay.

Term 3 has been a busy term at Booligal Public School. August 6<sup>th</sup>, as part of Education Week, an Assembly was held, followed by a camp oven lunch, cooked by the camp oven guru Isaac Booth. Isaac did an outstanding job cooking the lunch. He told Mrs Bunyan “I have never had 3 camp ovens going at once”. She reassured him it would be fine. Those present on the day enjoyed the lunch, with parents joining the students with a game of improvised hockey.

School photos were taken in Hay on the 12<sup>th</sup> August. Thank you to Sandra and Kate for assisting with transport on the day.

Students are utilising the Kitchen Garden ingredients with their fortnightly cooking classes. Cooking is a great experience with the youngsters who are eager to try a hand at any of the tasks that they may be asked to perform. Ali McLean assisted with the making of Rice Paper Rolls which were a major hit with the children and staff. Thank you to Ali for her time.

Jeans for Genes Day was held at Booligal Public School on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> August. Students and staff came to school in their jeans for a gold coin donation, which was then donated to the Children’s Research Institute.

Another busy day followed with the students and staff travelling into Hay to see the performance “Cinderella Rockerfellar” which was performed by the talented students of St Mary’s in Hay. Great entertainment was the focus of the afternoon and this is exactly what we experienced.

Congratulations to the students and staff of St Mary’s for putting on an excellent performance.

Book Fair – “Garden Theme” saw students and staff dressing up once again with all students participating on the day. Parents and friends came to view the books and purchase if they chose to. A total of $826.00 was raised at the Book Fair with the school being able to purchase books or equipment with the commission made.
Thank you to all the parents, students and staff, and Mrs Di Finn for their contributions. Well done!

A successful “Cup Cakes for Cure” afternoon tea was held at the school on Monday afternoon after Assembly. The students made various sized Cupcakes and tastefully decorated them. All money donated on the day went to the Childhood Cancer Project. I would like to thank everyone that came along and supported the Assembly and Afternoon Tea.

Students have been learning dance with Dan and performed at the Assembly on Monday. Thanks must go to Dan for his time and energy in teaching the students dance moves. The students look forward to and thoroughly enjoy the dance sessions. All good things must come to an end, as the saying goes – Dan is moving back to Swan Hill for the warmer months and we wish Dan all the best and look forward to seeing Dan back next year at Booligal, if he is willing to take on the role of “Dance Master” again.

Year 6 student Pip Ireson is currently joining Hay Public School on an excursion to Bendigo and Ballarat, which departed on Tuesday morning and will return on Thursday. I am sure Pip will have a great time and we look forward to hearing more in the next Newsletter.

Held Over From Term 2

At the end of Term 2 the Kindergarten students, along with Year 2 student, Dimity McLean, at Booligal Public School received a special visit from a policeman from Hay. He spoke to the children on various issues that they may encounter, especially stranger danger. They took great interest in trying on handcuffs, the police vest and being able to sit in the police car.

Mrs Maria Kouroulis will be giving her time next term to show the students her expertise in Greek Cooking. The students enjoy cooking and particularly the various cuisines that have been available to them. Produce from the Kitchen Garden at school are used in the cooking classes.

The Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden is progressing along well, with all the plants flourishing. Four new trees have been planted at the western end, of the front school fence. There are two nectarine trees, a plum and an almond tree. A new irrigated watering system was installed in the vegetable garden last weekend. This allows the watering of the garden to be put on a timer, allowing watering in the hot months over the Dec-Jan school holidays, and also contribute towards efficient water usage and conservation of this precious resource.

The school has been very privileged to have received a Kitchen Aid from the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Foundation, for joining and participating in the program run by them. A great addition for our in school kitchen.

Linda Stewart
Relieving Principal
Year 4 student Maddie Jones with her Artpiece “Watermelontastic” which has been selected for Artbank. Congratulations Maddie!!
In exciting news for the school, the whole school Artpiece “Heart of Friends” was chosen in the top 50 from 798 artworks submitted, to form part of the Westmead Children’s Hospital Permanent Art Collection.

Further great news for Maddie Jones, having her piece “Watermelontastic” selected for Artbank, an initiative to have children’s art placed in Regional Hospitals. We will look forward to tracking down both artworks in future years. “Heart of Friends” was also invited to be part of the World’s Biggest Classroom from a recommendation by the Operation Art organiser Lisa Van Den Dolder. “Heart of Friends” is featuring in an exhibition called “Connect” which focuses on celebrating events with others. The World’s Biggest Classroom Project will appear on Sydney trains and various Westfield venues and online at www.schoolsspectacular.com.au/wbc

From this we were also invited to participate in another Public Education initiative called “Our Place”.

We were asked to provide a multimedia display on “Life at Booligal Public School”, which will appear at Circular Quay in Sydney. Very exciting news for our Small School. The official Operation Art Opening for the 50 selected artworks will be sometime in November at the NSW Art Gallery – Another big moment for our school and one the students should feel very proud of.
Kitchen Garden

With the warmer weather, students have been busy planting various seedlings over the last couple of weeks with Michelle and are about to get ready for tomato season – Yum!!! Congratulations to the students taking out first place in the Hay Show for their cabbage and collection of vegetables. Unfortunately our ½ dozen eggs didn’t get a place, we will have to work on Hilda for next year.

Mrs Headon’s Class Report

Kindergarten have been busily reading”Mr Grumpy’s Outing” by John Burmingham in our Accelerated Literacy sessions. The children have learned about nouns (naming words) and have explored the use of question marks and speech marks. Each child has written their own story based upon “Mr Grumpy’s Outing”, incorporating the use of questioning within the story line. Watch out for these little literary gems!

Gold has been the Literacy Focus for Year 6 this term, in preparation for the Stage 3 excursion to Ballarat and Bendigo. Pip has learned about the Gold Rush era of the 1850’s and 1860’s and of the significance of the Eureka Stockade. Pip, with a little assistance, built a Californian Cradle to demonstrate one way of extracting gold from dirt.

End of Term Assembly and Cup Cakes for Cure Afternoon Tea

On Monday afternoon an assembly was held as we are at the end of Term 3. The students performed a dance, Mrs Headon’s class performed a play based on “Mr Grumpy’s Outing” whilst Mrs Stewart’s class were involved in a Persuasive Writing Exercise. Certificates were also given out at assembly, to reward the students for the hard effort put into their learning this term.

Cup Cakes for Cure

Mrs Bunyan and the students made freshly baked cup cakes on Monday for afternoon tea, with all donations made on the day, going to a Cure for Childhood Cancer. The children then did a fantastic job icing the cakes, then decorating with various toppings.
Cooking - Rice Paper Rolls

Dance with Dan
Book Fair