

Outback Report

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Swim School

Euabalong West students make a splash

This Wednesday saw the beginning of Swim School, our ten day intensive swimming lesson program which Euabalong West students have taken to the water like happy ducks. Their enthusiasm for the program and willingness to jump in the water and learn new skills has been a pleasure to see. I am especially pleased to report that our tadpoles, the Kindy and Transition students have been blowing bubbles and pushing and gliding like champions. This can be a challenging and sometimes scary program for our students and they should all be very proud at how they have all approached it with such great attitudes.

The swim school program will continue to run every day until Tuesday the 7th of December. Students are leaving school after an early lunch at 1:00pm and then departing from the pool at 2:30pm. Currently Euabalong and Euabalong West students are being dropped home on the return journey to school. If parents or family members would like to pick the children up from the pool please try and let the school know in advance.



Kindergarten Transition

Wrapping up a successful program

Wednesday of week eight will be the last day in our kindergarten transition program this year; it has been an extraordinary success with our five lovely transition girls fitting seamlessly into school life. There really is something to be said for our country kids who seem to be that little more independent and adventurous so that the transition to primary school is an exciting and fun step to take.

It has been an absolute pleasure getting to know, Chelsea, Audrey, Emily, Mylee and Zarlina better and welcoming them and their families into our school community. The girls have demonstrated such lovely manners and curious minds that we can't wait to welcome them to school next year.

On Wednesday of week eight the transition students will be issued their school readiness reports as well as a variety of information to help with the final transition to primary school next year. If any of the families have any questions or concerns please contact the school as we would love to make this process as comfortable and as least stressful as possible for both the new students and their families. And even though this will be the last school day for our transition students this year we are hoping very much to see them at our end of year presentation and the year six pool party.



Calendar of upcoming events

What's happening?

Week 8

Mon-Fri	29 th -3 rd /12/10	Swim school, students to leave school by 1:00pm and will leave the pool at 2:30pm each afternoon
Tue	30 th /11/10	Principals essential training, Miss J out, Miss L relieving
Wed	1 st /12/10	Kindergarten transition, 9:00am start. Last transition day for the year

Week 9

Mon-Tue	6 th -7 th /12/10	Swim school, students to leave school by 1:00pm and will leave the pool at 2:30pm each afternoon
Mon	6 th /12/10	Excursion to fish ladder @Lake Cargelligo weir
Thurs	9 th /12/10	Swimming Carnival @ Lake Cargelligo pool, Naradhan PS catering
Fri	10 th /12/10	Year 6 pool party, @ Lake Cargelligo pool, starts 12:30pm

Swimming Carnival

Defending the title

This year's swimming carnival will take place on Thursday the 9th of December we will be competing against our traditional rivals Naradhan public school at the Lake Cargelligo pool.

The bus will not run on carnival day, we ask that parents and families please transport their children to and from the carnival. If there is a problem with transport please ring the school as early as possible so that alternative arrangements can be made.

Naradhan is catering this carnival but we would still love to see as many of our parents as possible as we will need many hands to help with time keeping, marshalling and the many other jobs that come with these exciting days.

We ask that students be at the pool by 9:30am for a 10:00am start. The program for the day will be sent home in week eight but we expect the swimming to run until 2:30pm. With ribbons and trophies being awarded after completion of the day's program, if there are any questions or concerns about the upcoming carnival please contact the school as soon as possible.

Senior Girls Success!

Showing leadership and community spirit

Our senior girls Shantelle Ohlsen and Courtney Gleeson have been an absolute joy this year with the many skills and interesting opinions they have brought into our classroom this year. But they have truly shone through the leadership task that they were set at the beginning of this year.

At the beginning of the year the girls were informed that as part of their leadership development they would have to choose a charity and then plan and host one event each term to raise money for their chosen charity. They have far exceeded any expectations we held for them.

The girls choose to raise money to help find a cure for breast cancer, they then planned and hosted a movie night, mufti day and bike-a-thon, which have collectively raised close to \$1000. We could not be prouder of the girls and their effort, teamwork and enthusiasm for this project. We are saving the information of the exact amount for the senior girls themselves to announce when they present their cheque to our local representative for the cancer council on presentation night. We hope you will celebrate with us their success and development as young leaders in our community.



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Kids club captures our hearts

Thanks Mrs Brett for bringing back a favourite

During a P&C meeting earlier in the year our parents were discussing their desire to bring back an after school kids club for our children to be involved in. After some changes to our insurance and some serious buttering up of Mrs Brett we were able this term to bring back "Kids Club" every second Wednesday.

It has been a triumph, with 15 to 18 of our village children attending each club meeting. We are very pleased to announce that due to this success we will be able to continue running kids club in 2011. Our luck continues to hold as Mrs Brett has agreed to continue to run the club in 2011.

I want to offer a big thank you to Mrs Brett on behalf of the school and the children that have been attending the club. It is fantastic fun and we appreciate all your hard work.

End of year presentation

The Christmas circus approaches

Our end of year presentation this year is on Wednesday the 15th of December. This is the last day of term for our student.

Each year the student's traditionally go home at 1:00pm to have a rest and prepare for the presentation. This will occur again this year, students who live on properties are welcome to stay at school until the performance, parents who would like to arrange this are asked to contact Miss Jackson before the presentation night.

We will begin the presentation at 6:00pm and have dinner after all performances are finished. After dinner we are expecting a visit from a very good friend of ours who loves his red suit. We would appreciate if families who are attending could bring a plate for the dinner table, either a vegetable dish or a sweet. We have also found a safe place for Santa's sack if mums or dads have little things they would like to have ready for the night.

Student of the Week:

These students are being recognised for their excellence. This week we congratulate:



Week 6



Week 7

Natasha Casey, for her fantastic results in spelling and Jasmine Ferris, for her bravery and enthusiasm in the pool

This week's quote:

A man's errors are his portals of discovery."

James Joyce

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