PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

This week schools, libraries, booksellers and homes celebrate Book Week 2014. The theme this year is “Connect to Reading.” This is about enjoying the experience of exploring story, and travelling to other worlds. Reading opens doors to our inner and outer worlds, promotes access to knowledge and power and can provide a lifetime of enjoyment. Research evidence demonstrates that reading for enjoyment is important for educational, social and personal development. It can have a major impact on children and adults achieving their life goals and raising their self-esteem. This Friday we hope you will all join us when the students participate in the Book Week parade at 12 o’clock. Students have been studying the short listed books and will dress up as characters from these books. Everyone is looking forward to having a great day.

Rita Pittman, Principal

“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you’ll go.” Dr Seuss

PHOTOS AND SOCIAL MEDIA

If you take photos at school events, in which other students are visible, please check with their parents first before posting images or names anywhere online.

In any school community there can be families with private legal issues, who have genuine concerns about maintaining their child’s privacy and security.

Thanks for helping to keep all our kids safe.

ASSEMBLY

Due to the Book Week Parade there will be no assembly this Friday.

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MERIT CERTIFICATES

At last week’s assembly, Merit Certificates were awarded to the following students: Sam Barwell, Kyleah Donovan, Liam Hoare, Riley Jeffries, Kodie Ward, Jett Gilbert, Bailey Shields, Rueben Ruttley, Lydia Ridgeway, Georgia Walker, Sai Mc Hutchison, Sione Moimoi, Isla Clarke, K’elle Burnes, Lachlan Guise, Bailey Gardner, Lowana Ruttley, Darcie Maddalena, Jack Shepherd, Amber Pereira, Taila Hawksford, Billy Callaghan, Madeline Betts and Mani Ridgeway.

ASSEMBLY ITEM

1/2C has been learning about the animals that live in wet and dry environments. We made masks from paper plates, paint and stick on decorations. Each mask had a handle to hold on to. Every child found out one fact about their animal to read to the assembly. It was great that so many parents and family members came to watch us!
**SESQUICENTENARY CELEBRATIONS**

A photographer will be available at noon on Saturday 13th September at Wingham Brush PS to take group photos of any past students or teachers. Tickets for the Official Reception at Wingham Services Club on Saturday 13th September are available at the front office. Past students Wendy Machin will speak and Narelle Campbell will broadcast from Davis Station, Antarctica. We are asking all families to search their homes for any school memorabilia and deliver it to the school. Check out the Facebook page to order a huge range of Sesqui merchandise online.

*Michelle Williams*

**SESQUICENTENARY CELEBRATIONS**

Wingham Public School  
Saturday 13th September 2014 10am - noon

- 9.30am Arrival of Ambassadors
- 9.45am Students arrive for performance
- 10am School open to visitors
- 10.15am Bush dancing display

- Devonshire teas will be provided by the P&C – gold coin donation.
- Displays in hall and library
- Visit Bush Tucker Garden

**TABLOID SPORTS DAY**

Our school will be celebrating its 150th anniversary (our Sesquicentenary) with a tabloid sports day at Central Park on Friday 12th September from 9.30am – 1pm. Information/permission notes will be sent home this week. All parents, carers and grandparents are invited to attend the tabloid sports day and help our students and staff celebrate our 150th anniversary.

**HELPERS WANTED**

**TABLOID SPORTS DAY**

We require the assistance of parents and carers to help out at the tabloid sports day on Friday 12th September at Central Park. If you can assist, please contact Mr Pensini and he will give more details.

**BOOK WEEK PARADE**

Parents and carers are invited to celebrate Book Week 2014 with their children on Friday 22nd August. The parade will begin at 12 noon and finish at approximately 1pm. It will be followed by a Book Fair in the Library and lunch. If children leave school after the parade please advise their class teacher.

**GROUP PHOTOS**

Group photos are on display at the school and can be ordered by completing an order form at the front office. Please place either cheque or cash in the envelope provided. Credit Card payments can be made online through [www.theschoolphotographer.com.au](http://www.theschoolphotographer.com.au), please enter your ORDER NUMBER on the envelope and return to the school by the 22nd August 2014 (photos ordered after this time will incur a $5 fee) Photos are $14.00 each or 2 for $26.00. Other prices are available for additional orders. Groups available are; School Captains, Infants Choir, Senior Choir, Debating and Junior Choir.

**CANTEEN NEWS**

I've finally succumbed to the awful virus that nearly everyone has had a dose of – thank you to Maxine Manks for coming to the rescue on Tuesday and Wednesday this week and Liz Halfacre for last Friday.

Volunteers for the following week are:

- Thursday 21st August  
  Ronda
- Friday 22nd August  
  Liz, Jenny, Elicia
- Monday 25th August  
  Maxine
- Tuesday 26th August  
  Jodie
- Wednesday 27th August  
  Jaymie

Verlie Blackmore, Supervisor, ph 6553 5030

**P&C NEWS**

There's less than 2 weeks till Father's Day! Notes went home this week for our Father's Day Stall, which will be held on Friday 29th August. All gifts are $5 and must be pre-ordered by Wednesday 27th August. Classes will take turns to come to our stall on the Friday morning so students can choose their gifts. Our next meeting will be held this Thursday night in the staffroom from 6pm, all are welcome to attend.

*Bree Seddon-Wickenden, Vice President*