What a term – it feels like it had just begun and now it is over!
Staff have been extremely busy fitting in all the end of term events which has kept everyone very busy!
Congratulations to Sophie Slack-Smith who presented at the DE Symposium which was well received by all who attended her session. Sophie teamed with Hay DE AP Samantha Newman and walked staff through their new writing project. We are so lucky to have such talented and committed teachers who are willing to work in such isolated areas.
It is with much regret that we say farewell to Sarah Evans from the Walgett staff. Sarah has been on staff since Term 1 2013 and we have been fortunate to have had such an experienced teacher working with us. Sarah’s expertise in Early Childhood has been invaluable in transitioning pre-school students and supervisors into DE. Her ability to work as part of a team has also been very valuable and her sense of humour and quick wit will be missed. Sarah certainly could keep us all laughing!
Sarah will leave to take up a position as Director of Molong Pre-School. This is very exciting for Sarah as even though she would love to stay at Distance Ed, she has the opportunity to live and work in the Orange district which she has been keen to do for some time.
Replacing Sarah will be Miss Bree Thayer. Bree worked at the Walgett Centre for Term 4 last year and we welcome her back!
Major events in Term 3 for students will be participating in local and district Athletics carnivals, Moorambilla camps, Spelling Bee and Whole School excursion. Another busy Term ahead!
Have a restful holiday, enjoy your sleepins and hopefully some much needed rain!
Happy Holidays!
Kind Regards
Wendy Hay
Principal
DATES TO REMEMBER
June 24th – 27th – Whole School Mini School
June 27th – Last day of school term 2
July 14th – First day back for Term 3 / Spelling Bee words released
July 17/18th – Staff Development Days
July 25th – Bourke Small Schools Athletics Carnival/ Walgett 6 ways Carnival @ Gwabegar
August 1st – Barwon District Athletics Carnival @ Collarenebri

PARENT INFORMATION
VISE Newsletter
Caroline and Grace both have an article in this newsletter – be sure to look at this informative resource.
If you are interested in VISE, and organizing a visit, the VISE Website has informative information.
http://www.vise.org.au

Check Your Work

AT WHAT LEVEL DO YOU CHECK YOUR WORK

LEVEL 1 - Carefully make sure you have an answer for every question

LEVEL 2 – Read the question again. Check to see if your answer makes sense.

LEVEL 3 – Read the question and solve it again. Compare with your first attempt.

Youtube clip of the Week –
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WuN9rIBwUuo

Social Media

Some interesting things to consider before publishing photos etc, on line.

I TOOK A PHOTO OF MY FRIEND THAT I WANT TO SHARE...NOW WHAT?

1. Is it a good photo? – Yes or No
Be proud of the photos you share with others – only show people the best of the best.

2. Would my friend agree? – Yes or No
Play nice. You wouldn’t want your friend to publish a bad photo of you would you?

3. Could it get my friend into trouble? – Yes or No
Don’t post any photos that might come back to haunt you or your friend. You never know who will see them.

4. Is it going to cause drama? – Yes or No
If so it’s not worth posting really.

5. Am I aware that anyone can share it? – Yes or No
Well it is true. Anything you post online can be saved, copied and shared with a large invisible audience.

6. Would I be OK with my grandma seeing it? – Yes or No
If you think it would make your Grandmother blush, then there’s a good chance someone else will find it inappropriate too.

7. A year from now, will I feel good about making this public? – Yes or No
Hold off if you are having doubts – your future self will thank you.

Congratulations! You clearly self-reflect before you self-reveal on line!

For more information about social media and on-line responsibility, go to www.commonsense.org/education

Sport and Recreation Camps
Looking for a fun and healthy school holiday activity for the children? Sport and Recreation Centres are government run facilities and offer great opportunities with 1 – 5 day adventure camps in the great bush, snow fields and coast lands for children aged 5 -16. The programs are challenging and adventurous and help kids develop independence, self-esteem and social skills. With 24hr supervision from qualified friendly staff, packages include all activities, accommodation and meals. Supervised transport is also available to and from most camps.
“Parents need to contain the competitiveness within their kids. There is a time and a place for competition as there is a time and a place for co-operation. In many ways it is the true test of family leadership where parents develop a sense of ‘we’ within their family, while welcoming some of the competitive elements in their kids. Here are some ways to prevent sibling rivalry in your family:

1. **Accept children’s individual differences.** Your acceptances of differences will determine the degree of competitiveness between children.
2. **Focus on the deed not the dude.** High praise families usually experience more sibling fighting than high encouragement families. So focus your positive comments on the process rather than the results, the act not the actor, the performer rather than the performance.
3. **Put them in the same boat when they misbehave.** Be willing for all children to experience the consequences of a child’s misbehaviour. For example, if one child is noisy in the car, then they all miss an activity when you return home.
4. **Focus on the solution not the fight.** When children fight and argue, give them ideas and strategies to resolve their problems, rather than sorting out the fight.
5. **Introduce family meetings at age 5.** Through regular meetings, teach children a conflict resolution process. You can also give children an opportunity to impact on family decision-making through meetings.”

(Above is an extract from Michael Grosse’s web site)

Michael Grosse’s Parent Magazine can be read on line at the following link: http://www.parentingideas.com.au/Parent_Magazine.html
MERIT AWARDS

Walgett Students

Tully - Excellent understanding of hectares in Maths / Excellent work checking for errors and self-correcting in Maths units / Her unreal story titled 'the Storm' / Outstanding handwriting / Keen contributions in satellite lessons.

Percy - A phenomenal effort in his recount of his Show entry / A solid effort to master concepts in his maths unit / Awesome results in problem solving / Unreal badge design / Beautiful handwriting in all aspects of his work / For his hard work and attention to detail in all areas of maths.

Campbell - For his brilliant persuasive text 'More Water Slides' / For his unbelievable effort in number stories when supplied with the answer / His phenomenal improvement in story writing / A wonderful improvement in Spelling Mastery results / For working so hard to improve his Spelling Mastery.

Oscar - Excellent efforts in all writing tasks / Overall marvellous work in maths / Terrific graphic score in music / Impressive story 'The Ghost' / Keen contributions in satellite lessons.

Emily - A dynamic job in spelling / Impressive art work / Exceptional handwriting / Fantastic spelling results.

Bridget - Super work in problem solving / Magnificent measurement work in mass and time / For taking responsibility for her own learning / Fabulous work with fractions / Super work in 'Dear Diana'.

Teddy - Phenomenal spelling results / Writing a wonderful Information Report / For his brilliant Barwon Cross Country report / Awesome work with phrases.

Beatrice - For completing her challenge task 'Interview with a Raindrop' / Awesome work in the 'All About Archie' unit / Fabulous work with fractions.

Ayden - Fantastic information book about Apples / Impressive story writing.

Phoebe - Terrific completion of Alternative Energy unit / Great grammar revision with nouns / Nice work with number facts / Fabulous understanding with reading and interpreting picture graphs.

Gilbert - For his application to complete extension tasks thoroughly / Magnificent work in money / For writing an excellent explanation.

John - A FAB start to DE / An interesting information Report / Beautiful Handwriting.

Harriet - For her very strong persuasive text 'Keep the Walgett Pool Open' / Her fantastic narrative 'Disaster Strikes' / Fluent and expressive independent reading / Well-presented maths recordings / Keen contributions in satellite lessons.

Max - Wonderful independent readings received / FAB factual description of the 'Light Bulb' / Huge improvement in handwriting.

Kelly - Fantastic art work.

Zari - Wonderful comprehension work / Clever work with chance / Awesome
audio work / Exceptional effort in the 'Dear Diana' unit.
William - Neat work in all areas / Awesome illustrations drawn in reading.
Emily - Fantastic effort in maths.
Robert - Welcome to DE / Pleasing work in English.
Zedi - For his thorough entertaining recordings / His phenomenal effort in his reviews / His detailed illustration in 'The Best Part' of the 'Tell Me About It' unit.
Darcy - Super sound work / Excellent number work.
Mariade - Welcome to DE / Great work in English.
Jamie - Awesome sound work.
Catie - Great work with length / Marvellous work in music.
Jamie - Good work in music.
Western - His phenomenal effort in the English unit 'Very Mice' and his performance of 'The Cat Story' / His fantastic Rap Rhyme performance / For his solid effort in mathematics tasks / Excellent estimation in measuring mass.
Felix - Wonderful reading / Awesome work in volume and capacity / Super sound work / For his awesome sound work.
Max - Good work with sounds.
Kate - Outstanding running at the District Cross Country / Completing her unit 'In the Night' to a high standard / Great collage on 'Healthy V's Unhealthy Foods'.
Jon - Outstanding running at the District Cross country / Improved commitment to all school work.
Charlie - Outstanding running at the District Cross Country / Giving good verbal explanations of mathematical concepts.
Barney - Outstanding running at the District Cross Country / Making good contributions during satellite lessons.
Hannah - Working hard in the Centre.
Sophie - Working hard in her maths number line questions / Her determination sounding out in her reading.
Katie - Working hard to analyse and correctly answer maths problems / Beautifully composed piece of writing in Week 6.
Emmett - Reading with more confidence and writing more independently.
Calum - Great reading of 'Tom Gates' / Excellent problem solving.
Grace - Working hard to improve her writing skills this semester / super effort in spelling.

Bourke Students
John - Care and attention to detail in all his work.
Aaron - Outstanding running at the District Cross Country / Improving his fraction knowledge / Regional Cross Country Rep.

Congratulations!
Congratulations to Harriet for being this terms Library Award recipient.
We have received many of the short listed books for Book Week in the last couple of weeks, lots of interesting reading! I have managed to show some of them to the students.
In term 3 we will be concentrating and enjoying some of these books in our lessons.
Lots of students have read many PRC books and have received their awards. Remember to let me know what books you have read and how many. Please have all completed logs to me by 20th August, so that I can log them and validate your reading log before PRC closes.
Remember: - Reading takes us to amazing places.
I hope you all get the chance to read an awesome book over the holiday break.
Loretta Robinson
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MOORAMBILLA VOICES 2014

Congratulations to the following students who were successful at audition for Moorambilla Voices skills development workshop: John, Grace, Calum, Emily, Jerry and Tully.
These students will now commit to two workshop sessions in Term 3 culminating in a concert on Saturday 20th September. In addition to camps and concerts in the region, Moorambilla Voices will this year tour to Sydney for performances and a recording session with ABC Radio National. These developments provide exciting new opportunities for our students and the chance to celebrate and showcase the achievements of both the Moorambilla program and the rich cultural heritage of our region to new audiences.

STUDENT WORK

OCEANIC ENERGY
Information Report
Written By: BWSODE Stage 3

The ocean covers around 70% of the earth’s surface, which potentially makes it one of the largest renewable sources of energy. There are two main types of oceanic energy - mechanical energy from the tides, currents and waves and thermal oceanic energy from the sun’s heat.

MECHANICAL OCEAN ENERGY

Mechanical oceanic energy is the power or wind extracted from the kinetic force of waves, tides and currents when they rise and fall. The energy that the ocean can mechanically harvest is done in the following two ways:
Waves/Currents
Waves also known as swells are formed by the transfer of energy from wind movements to the ocean surface. Mechanical wave power is the conversion of wave currents into generated electricity from the spinning motion of large turbines. The amount of energy waves can exhaust depends on the speed of wind, the length of time the wind has been blowing for and the height of the swells. The stronger these elements are, much more power can be generated, than when the ocean is calm.
Tides
Tidal power also known as tidal energy is a form of renewable hydropower that converts the energy from the rise and fall of tides into useful forms of power, mainly
electricity. Tidal power is a non-polluting recyclable and reliable source of energy. This energy is created by water pushing air in and out of a vent, which is transferred to a turbine. Tidal energy can be used in two ways. The first way is to build barrages in areas that have a high tidal range or by capturing off shore tidal streams. When the tide rises it causes the turbines to spin to generate power that is transferred to a grid.

OCEAN THERMAL ENERGY
The sun’s heat results in a temperature difference between the surface water of the ocean and deep ocean water, and this temperature difference creates Ocean Thermal Energy (OTE). OTE uses the temperature difference of cooler and warmer waters to run a heat engine that converts heat, which is generally used for electricity. OTE Plants may be on the land or floating.

OCEAN ENERGY AND AUSTRALIA
Oceanic energy is the smallest power producing renewable energy source in the world today and Australia hasn’t researched or trialled this type of energy source too much. The limited research conducted in Australia found that this potential energy resource would work more effectively off the east coast of Australia as the currents and tides are much stronger. The CSIRO thinks that wave energy could play quite a large part in Australia’s future energy mix.

INTERESTING FACTS
- Oceanic energy has the potential to generate 10 million terra watt-hours of electricity per year.
- Studies are predicted that ocean energy could generate around 11% of Australia’s electricity by 2050.
- Oceans make up about 70% of the earth’s surface. This by itself makes oceans the largest possible source of renewable energy on earth.
- There are at least 25 places in the world that are using & or trialing, ocean energy.

Ocean energy is still in its early stages of development. Once this renewable energy resource is harnessed properly it will take off. Energy can be harvested from oceans all over the world and the best thing about it, is it’s a source of renewable energy. For now, we see only the first stages of this energy source but one day we might see it power our country or even our world!

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy Birthday to William who celebrated his 7th birthday on June 12th. Hope you had a great day from all at DE.

Birthday wishes to Kelly who celebrated her 9th birthday on June 17th and we hope you had a great day too Kelly.

To Emily, we extend birthday wishes to you for the first time from the staff at DE. Hope you have a very Happy 8th Birthday on June 29th.

Malcolm will celebrate his 11th birthday on June 26th, Happy Birthday and hope you have fun.
SHOW WORK

Some of the Walgett students Show entries on display at the Walgett centre.

SPORT REPORTS

Barwon Cross Country Report
On Friday, 23 May 2014, some keen runners from the Walgett Distance Education Centre made the journey to Goodooga for the annual Barwon Cross Country.
The track was set out very well at the Goodooga Youth Centre, which was fairly easy to find. It was quite a warm day and the ground was dry and hard.
First up, Gilbert and Campbell participated in the Under 8/9 boys. Gilbert tried very hard and ran 13th place. Campbell did very well to run 6th place. Good work fellows!
Following this race, my sister Emily took off fast to race in the Under 8/9 girls event. It was great to see her get 1st place in the Under 8’s and 2nd overall in 8 and 9 year girls.
Next was my race in the Under 10 boys. I came in 2nd behind a student from Walgett School. Mum and Dad were very proud of us for trying so hard!
Beatrice and Bridget raced next in the Under 10 girls. Both girls did very well with Beatrice in 6th place and Bridget in 8th.
Finally Harriet raced well to come in 8th and Tully 9th in the Under 11 girls. A great effort for all our girls!
Miss Warden said they were the best Cross Country results she had seen in her time at our school. Four of our students, Beatrice, Campbell, Emily and I have qualified to compete in the Regional
Cross Country in Coolah in three weeks. Time to get training!
We had a great day. It was fun catching up with our mates. We cheered and supported each other.
My brother Max was disappointed because he couldn’t find any Under 5 racers. Dad said the chop sandwiches were great!
By Teddy

Bourke District Cross Country 2014
At 9.45am Aaron, Luke, Barney, Charlie, Jon, Kate and I met at Enngonia PS along with students from Wanaaring PS, Bourke PS, Brewarrina PS, Weilmoringle PS and Enngonia PS for the Cross Country race. There were about 50 students gathered at the event. After we met our friends, had a chat and a bite to eat, we registered and had our age group written on our arm. Then each group walked their own course either 2 or 3 kilometres.

After that the 8/9 year old boys and girls took off. Jon led the boys to the finish and Luke finished in 4th place. Young Kate achieved a very creditable 4th place in the girl’s event.
The next race for BWSODE students was the 11 year old boys. After an even start Charlie, Aaron and I raced to the front and stayed there. After a tight struggle Charlie crossed the finish line in 1st place followed by me and then Aaron.
The final competitor was Barney who took an early lead, held it and finished well ahead of his opposition. Trophies were presented to winners and runners up.

Thanks to Mr Warne for his support and photographic skills.
It was a great day for BWSODE students.
By Malcolm

North West Regional Cross-Country
Our Cross-Country representatives definitely did themselves and the school proud at the Regional Event held in Coolah on Friday 13th. They ran very well and attained the following results:
Teddy - 34th
Beatrice - 58th
Campbell - 60th
Emily - 58th
Well done boys and girls on a great effort.
Horse Sports

Bourke Public School - Horse Sports Day
CHANGE OF DATE – Now Friday 12\textsuperscript{th} September 2014
Enquiries: Bourke Public School - Kylie Pennell 0268722 051
Co-ordinators: Melissa Simmons 0409825610 & Lara Gordon 0421632703

Walgett Pony Camp

Walgett Pony Camp commences on Sunday June 29\textsuperscript{th}. It is not too late to become a member of the wonderful organisation and to come along to the Annual Camp. Please call Sally Duncan on 68281752 / 0408223001 for any further information.

ATTACHMENTS

- Term 3 Planner
- Term 4 Interim Planner