

The Newsletter of Vacy Public School

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“Friendship and Learning”

From the Principal

Brilliant! Outstanding! Sensational!

These were just some of the superlatives that were given in response to the awesome performance by our Senior Dance Group at the Hunter/Central Coast Dance Festival last week.

Congratulations and well done to Miss Corrigan on her marvellous choreography and direction over the many weeks that it took to prepare the group. Our dancers didn't just 'go through the motions', they smiled and beamed their way through an exhilarating routine that brought rapturous applause from an appreciative audience.

Thanks also to Miss Corrigan's mum for her time and effort in helping with make-up on the day and evening.

Education Week is Week 3 and the theme this year is "Creating the Future". Dungog Local Management Group awards evening is Wednesday 1 August from 4:00 – 6:00pm at Dungog High School and will feature a performance by our Senior Dance Group.

Today, we contested the Vacy Olympics. The torch relay, march past, opening ceremony and the lighting of the cauldron were, spectacular, the best games ever! Students had a great time competing in a range of modified sports. A huge thank you to Mrs Fonti, for all of her organisation and well done to our Year 6 Leaders.

Our Education Week program concludes with a special Assembly under the COLA commencing at 2:30pm on Friday 3 August. Our Junior Dance Group will perform and we will also hear from our successful Public Speakers who have been selected to contest the district competition in Week 5. We'd love to see you there!

Regards,
Graeme

Dates to Remember

August

- 3 Pie orders delivered
Zone Athletics
SPECIAL ASSEMBLY
- 7 Tony Bones performance
- 8 P & C meeting 7.00pm
- 14 ICAS - Maths test

Quote of the Week

You've gotta dance like there's nobody watching,
Love like you'll never be hurt,
Sing like there's nobody listening,
And live like it's heaven on earth."

— [William W. Purkey](#)

Pie Drive order collection

All orders for the pie drive can be collected from the **School Canteen on Friday 3rd Aug (this Friday).**

Please note the change of collection venue as previously stated, as this day now clashes with the Zone Athletics carnival. It will be easier for the orders to be left in the Canteen as a posed to an unattended hall.

The delivery of products is expected at the school sometime before 7.00am but will not be confirmed until the day before (Thursday). We are hoping to have all orders packaged and ready for collection by 9am.

There will be someone in the canteen until approx. lunchtime, then a gap of no-one until after the Zone Carnival is completed, there will then be someone in attendance throughout the afternoon until all orders are collected. However the canteen will be unlocked throughout the day for those of you who cannot come at any other time. The orders will be placed in bags or boxes with your original order form attached to it for easy identification.

If you need to arrange your collection around these times please contact: Kirsty on 0428956045 or Susan on 0412294121.

**Don't forget our next
P & C meeting
to be held on
8 August from 7.00pm
All Welcome!**

Class News



Kindergarten

Over the last two weeks we have been learning about The Olympic Games. We have been watching clips and discussing the Olympic events. Many students watched the opening of the London Olympic Games on the weekend and from our discussion yesterday the students enjoyed this spectacular. Today the students have had a wonderful day at The Vacy Olympics. Many thanks to Mrs Fonti and Year 5/6 for organising this special day.

1/2

Everyone had a great time today at our Olympic Games day. Well done to all the children who all showed great sportsmanship. Many thanks to Mrs Fonti for all the organising of the day.

3/4

Our 'news' over the next fortnight will be focused on the Olympic Games. Students should tell something of interest about the Games.

Olympics Mini-Project – Whilst the Olympic Games are on this fortnight, students are asked to select an Olympic sport and to prepare a mini-project (no larger than an A3 sheet of paper (30cm x 42 cm)).

The type of information to present includes Australia's history of involvement in the sport, achievements and records held, outstanding performances, famous competitors and results of the 2012 competition.

This term 3/4 are studying Communication in Science. To boost the children's skills in this area students will receive an e-pal from Kanwal Public School. All students in 3/4 will be communicating via their DET Student email. If you have any concerns feel free to contact me at school.

Miss Corrigan

5/6

Congratulation to all our speakers. What a fantastic job you did! We had a great time at our Olympics Day and showed great sportsmanship. Well done everyone!

School News

Premier's Spelling Bee

Students in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 are invited to contest for one of two positions to represent their Stage in the Premier's Spelling Bee. The word lists for students to prepare themselves can be found at <http://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/programs/speaking-competitions/spelling-bee>.

Maitland Regional Art Gallery

Portrait Competition

Once again the students of Vacy PS have created portraits for the MRAG Portrait Competition. Congratulations to the following students who have had their portraits selected for the competition; Drew Reid, Kyle Lechner, Mia Roberti, Lillian Richardson, Tom Doyle and Harriette Hopkins. Good luck, results will be announced early September.

Book Week Celebrations

Next week Vacy School will be hosting the Tony Bones Theatre Company. Notes for this performance went home last Tuesday. Please return notes and money by Wednesday 1 August.

Paterson Preschool and Vacy Playgroup will be joining us, as well as children enrolling in Kindergarten at Vacy School next year. If you would like to join us, please contact the office.

2013 Kindergarten Orientation Day

In Term 3 we would like to invite Kindergarten 2013 to join us for recess each Tuesday (beginning Tuesday 24th July) for more details and confirmation of participation please contact the office 4938 8153.

Canteen News

Vacy Canteen Needs You!!

On occasion, only one volunteer operates the school canteen and this presents Work , Health & Safety issues. One idea is to 'Buddy - Up' with a friend, partner or relative to keep our canteen running, or make yourself available to "fill any gaps". Helping in the canteen just once a term is a great opportunity to see just what is happening at our wonderful school. If would like to volunteer for a day give Nat a call on **0422 318972**.

Roster

Thursday 2 August	Kirsty Eyb + need volunteer
Monday 6 August	Heather Williams + need volunteer

Create Art Carnival

With today's newsletter is a Create Art Carnival invite. If your child would like to participate please fill out the form and send directly to Gresford Public School. This is not a whole school excursion. Participation is at parents discretion.