

The Newsletter of Vacy Public School



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"Friendship and Learning"

Principal's Message

This week we welcome back Mrs Fonti from her Long Service Leave. We have missed her smiling face in our school over the last 6 weeks and it is great to have her back with us. We would also like to thank Mr Incze for his hard work and efforts with the 5/6 class during Mrs Fonti leave. Mr Oke will be on leave for the last two weeks of the school term and Mr Incze will be filling in as our Release from Face to Face and Library teacher during his absence.

Vacy's Got Talent started off with a bang on Monday with some very excited and talented children performing in the COLA. The lunch time shows will continue for the rest of the week culminating with the Finals at Fridays assembly.

Congratulations to the following students whose art works were chosen to represent Vacy School at the FACE exhibition at the Maitland Regional Art Gallery.

They were:

Marshall Parker -	Kinder
Ursula Thompson -	Year 1
Kasey Parker -	Year 3
Jacob Bates -	Year 4
Amy Magri -	Year 4
Madison Hack -	Year 6

From these, the gallery will choose a selection to be displayed. We will let you know who the lucky students are when we are notified in the coming weeks. Our entrants' portraits are on display in the school foyer so if you get the chance, pop in and see what a talented group of students we have at Vacy School.

The next P & C meeting will be held tonight at 7.00pm in the staffroom. The main topic for discussion will be the upcoming Cutting Day and organisation. Mrs Fonti and Mrs Greaves will be at the meeting in Mr Oke's absence.

A number of students are representing our school today at the Dungog Footy Day. This should be a good excursion where participation and fun are the main aim of the day. Thanks to our parents who were able to attend and transport the children to and from the venue.

Regards,
Maree Greaves
(Relieving Assistant Principal)

Quote of the Week

Life isn't about finding yourself.
Life is about creating yourself."
— [George Bernard Shaw](#)

ASSEMBLY AWARDS Week Ending 06/09/13

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS	
K	Bree Walker
1	Tia Magri
2-3	Blaze Basham
4-5	Jorgia Watts
5-6	Chelsey Hughes
CLASS AWARDS	
K	Charlie Watson
1	Ursula Thompson
2	Ethan Lechner
3	Bronte Parish
4	Mackayla Smith
5	Bailey Rowe
6	Zoe Butler
LIBRARY AWARD	
Charlotte Parker	

Survey Returns

Thank you to those families of students in Years 2, 3 and 4 who have completed the online survey for KidsMatter. The survey is confidential, anonymous and can be found at www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary/other-resources/school-surveys/parent-survey. If you haven't been able to tackle the survey, please be aware that it will only be available online until the end of September and it doesn't take long to complete.

Canteen Roster

Thursday 12 September	Nyaree Wiseman Emma Maslen
Monday 16 September	Karen Wells Kelly Richardson Karen Turner

Canteen News

The canteen is still needing volunteers for the following dates:

Thursday 14 November
Monday 18 November
Thursday 21 November
Monday 16 December

Without volunteers the Canteen can not operate and unfortunately the Canteen will be forced to close. If you can help out please ring Nat on 4995 6093.

Cutting Day 2013

This year the Cutting Day will be held on 12 October, 2013. Please save the date on your calendar. We will need volunteers for the canteen, time-keeping, bar & children's activities. A note is with today's newsletter. If you have an RSA & can help out with the bar please contact Leesa Priestley on 0412002101 ASAP as we have to apply for the license. If you own a business or work for one that may be able to offer some sponsorship please let Leesa know, a small donation of cash, goods or services will help the day immensely.

Entries are now open for competitors. Entry forms were sent home last week for those who wish to compete in the Cutting Event.

Premier's Reading News

The 2013 challenge has now closed. Congratulations and well done to all the children who have successfully completed the challenge this year. They will receive their certificates and their names will be published in the Honour Roll later in the year. Don't forget any reading done from now can be counted towards their 2014 Reading Record so remember to note them down ready to enter when we register in 2014. Happy Reading!

Walking for Alzheimers

On Sunday a group of friends and I did our 5th Annual walk to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's. Did you know Alzheimer's is the 3rd largest cause of death in Australia? We have approximately 321,000 sufferers and approximately 24,400 are aged under 65. Some as young as 30.

If you would like to support this worthy cause you can sponsor us on <https://huntermemorywalkandjog2013.everydayhero.com/au/Amanda-Percival>.

Alternatively you might like to buy a raffle ticket at the office, \$2 each or 3 for \$5. First prize is a weeks free accommodation in a unit in Foster.

Thanks for your support Amanda Percival.

Soft Drink Bottles

Thank you to the families who are sending their bottles in. We are up to the stage where we will be able to build another wall of bottles. Please keep them coming in.

We will also be approaching Bunnings for an 'Environmental Sustainability Package' to further our work in the school grounds.

Please collect any plastic soft drink bottles of 1.25L and larger for us to use as we build our recycled plant propagation hothouse. It really helps if the bottles are rinsed and the labels are removed.

Vacy's Got Talent Program

Monday 9 th September	Tuesday 10 th September	Wednesday 11 th September	Thursday 12 th September	Friday 13 th September
Lilly - Dance	Annabelle, Kacia & Bronte - Dance	Tess, Saskia and Brianna - Dance	Libby, Chelsey, Samantha, Maddy, Lillian, Rose and Zoe - Dance	Grand Final Day
Bailey Rowe - Comedy	Jorgia, Indy, Nalani & Caitlyn - Dance	Chloe & Grace - Singing	Alec & Bailey. H - Band	
Josie, Imi, Amy & Mackayla - Singing	Blaze, Fletcher & Jayden - Act	Fox - Act	Toby & Connor - Stick Flip	
Scout	Ursula - Singing	Kasey Parker - Art Show	Natasha, Tallon, Sienna & Charlotte P. - Dance	
Charlotte R, Izzy & Denika - Dance	Jackson Lambert - Dance	Jack. B & Darcy - Singing	Brianna Arthur - Singing	
	Caitlin & Mikayla P. - Dance			

Dates to Remember

September

Wednesday 10 P & C meeting 7.00pm
Wednesday 18 Kinder Informal Orientation 11.00am -11.30am
Premiers Spelling Bee
Friday 20 Last day Term 3
Wear your team colours for a gold coin mufti day for Maurin

October

Tuesday 8 Staff & Students return

December

Friday, 6 Year 6 Farewell at Tocal College
Wednesday 11 Presentation Evening at Tocal College



Community Announcements

TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday, 14 September

6.30pm for a 7.00pm start

Farmers Hotel, Vacy

\$20 per person includes Asian Finger Food

Tables of 10

All proceeds go to

Feeding Dreams Cambodia

Bus available for pick up. Gold coin donation

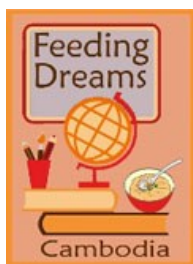
Children welcome!

For more information and ticket sales,

please contact :

**Farmers Hotel, Vacy on 4938 8106 or Nicole Carter
on 0400 148 586**

Raffles ~ Auctions ~ Lucky Door Prizes



Holiday Fun

BASKETBALL FUN DAY AND MULTISPORTS FUN DAY!

Monday the 23rd and Tuesday the 24th September 2013

Day 1 – Basketball, Day 2 – Multisport

**Cost: \$50.00 for the 2 days or \$30.00 for 1 day, Families
with 2 or more children pay \$15.00 per child there after.**

**Lunch is provided (sausage sizzle) but kids are to bring
their own morning tea and drinks for the day. Canteen
facilities will be available.**

**PLEASE NOTE - NO BASKETBALL EXPERIENCE REQUIRED –
IT'S A FUN DAY OF LEARNING AND GAMES**

Where: Maitland Federation Centre, 10 Bent Street,
Maitland 2320

Time: 9-30am to 3-00pm (please arrive by 9-15am for
registration)

Ages: Open to infants and primary school children
5 years and over.

**For more information ring Maitland Basketball Association
on 4934 3503**

BIODIVERSITY DAY

at

**Blue Gum Hills
Regional Park, Minmi**

Thursday 26 September

10.00am to 3.00pm

Wetland on Wheels

(live animals from the Wetland Centre)

NPWS Discover Ranger Activities

Tree Planting

FREE BBQ lunch with Jesmond Lion's Club

Try orienteering with the Newcastle Orienteering

Coffee and Drinks from M & K Coffee

Passport activity for kids

Prizes to be won

Bush Poetry with the Minmi Magster

**Information stalls and activities from many
Environmental Organisations**

LARGSPUBLICSCHOOL

175th Celebration Day

Saturday 14th September 2013

1-5 Hunter Street LARGS 2320

4930 1494

BBQ

Formal Assembly 9.30 - 10.00am

Market & Cake Stalls

**"Old Bush Hut will be open
for viewing Memorabilia"**

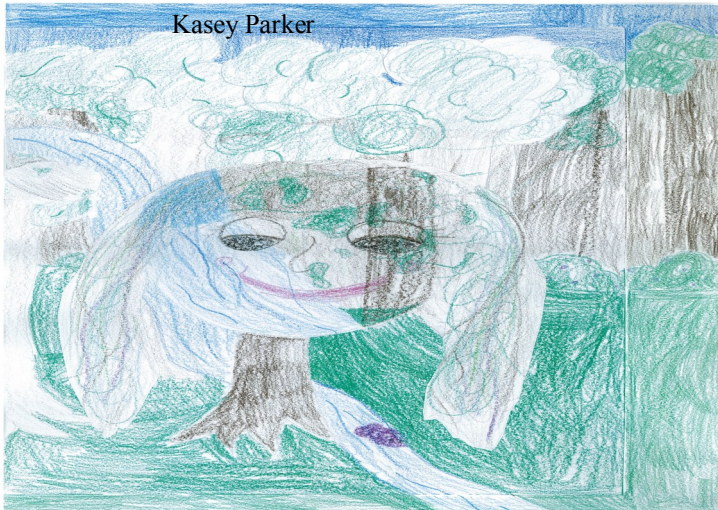
Dungog and District Little Athletics is up and running.

All families are invited to be part of the fun for the new season of Little Athletics. All the sports and games will start on Thursday 5th September at Bennett Park starting at 4pm.

Registration costs \$60 for your first child and \$55 for all other children aged 5 - 18 years. Club shirts cost \$15 each and there is a club membership fee of \$5 per family. We will also be having Tiny Tots for 3 and 4 years old children, registration is \$50. If you have any questions please call club registrar Amy on Ph 0488 060 379.

MRAG Self Portrait Winners!

Kasey Parker



Marshall Parker



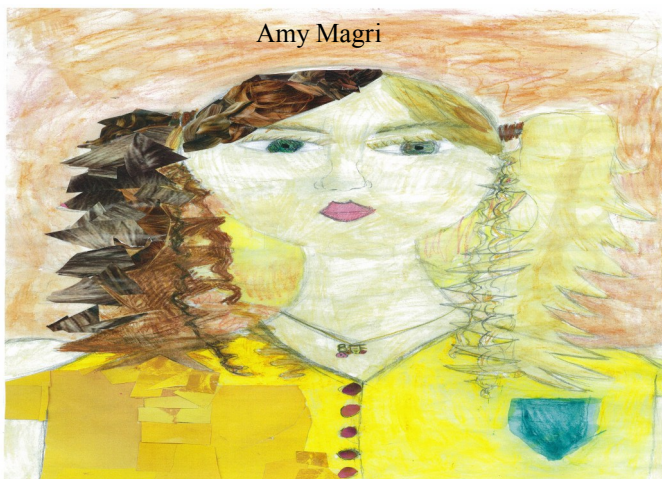
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