

The Newsletter of Vacy Public School



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“Friendship and Learning”

Respect, everyone & everything



Be safe



Co-operate



Play fairly



Think before you do

From The Principal

Presentation Evening - Congratulations to all of our award recipients for 2015. The Presentation Night certainly showcased the outstanding achievements of the students and the talents that exist in our school. The dance, choir and drumming performances were highlights and thanks go to our tutors, Mrs Babic, Mrs Percival and Col Hatchman.

Honour Roll - This newsletter includes an ‘honour roll’ of all of the award winners as well as our School Captains and Sports Captains for 2016.

I would like to especially applaud the role that our current School Captains performed as chairpersons for the Presentation Night. Saskia and Amy did a marvellous job as they have done at every occasion during 2015 and have continued a great tradition of being excellent role models for all students. Well done, Saskia and Amy.

Relieving Principal – I have accepted a position as Relieving Principal at Greta Public School for Term 1 next year. Mr David Stone, currently Relieving Deputy Principal at Ashtonfield Public School, will relieve as Principal here at Vacy during this time. I’m sure all our families will welcome Mr Stone to Vacy and I know that he is very much looking forward to coming to our wonderful school.

Return to School - This will be our last newsletter for 2016 and a reminder that school resumes for students in Years 1 to 6 on Thursday, 28 January 2016 and for our new kindies, big school will start on Friday, 29 January 2016.

Water Fun – Don’t forget the water fun activities to finish off the school year tomorrow. Students should bring swimmers, rashies, towel and brush. A separate bag to contain wet clothing and towel is essential.

Enrolments for 2016 – Occasionally we receive enquiries from families that would like to live in the Vacy area and join our school. If you are aware of any homes available for rent in the area, please let us know so that we can assist them. Likewise, if you know of any family that is buying a home in the area or who have children yet to enrol in school, please put them in touch with the office so we can finalise numbers and classes for 2016.

To our departing families, thank you for contributions to Vacy Public School and all the best for the future.

To all families, on behalf of the staff, I would like to wish you a merry Christmas, a happy New Year and a safe and enjoyable holiday. We look forward to another exciting year in 2016.

Regards,
Graeme



Dates To Remember

December	
Wednesday 16	Water Activities Day Year 6 Farewell 3pm Students last day.
January	
Wednesday 27	Staff Development
Thursday 28	Year 1 to 6 students return for 2016
Friday 29	Kindergarten students start
February	
Tuesday 23	Swimming Carnival

CANTEEN NEWS

What a great year it has been for our canteen. We have many lovely volunteers who give up their time selfishly and lots and lots of families who give their support each and every week ordering recess and lunch orders as well as spending money for their little person to purchase an ice block at lunch. As you would have heard during Joe Thompson's speech on presentation night a direct result of this continued support is the new picnic tables that will grace the COLA early next year for our children to sit and eat their lunch at. The canteen will also be receiving a brand new freezer early next year – a big thank you to the Vacy Country Carnival Committee for their kind donation and also to our P&C.

This year I have been overwhelmed by the support I've received. I must credit a lot of behind the scenes help to Eleesha Pereira for all her hard work and organisation with the rosters each term and to Sian Jones for baking lots and lots of choc chip and blueberry muffins and keeping the freezers stocked with yummy pumpkin soup.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer break..Merry Christmas ☺Emma Maslen

Monday February 1 2016	Kelly Richardson & Karen Wells
Thursday February 4 2016	Tracey & David Ney

From the P & C President

I would like to say thanks to all the parents and families who have supported P&C activities and fundraising during 2015. It's been a busy year for all involved, with P&C activities, including operating the canteen, involvement in the Cutting Day, Vacy Carnival and other opportunities generating over \$10,000 for the year. All this money will be spent on improving facilities in your school for your kids. A great achievement for a small school like ours. So, thanks for all the hard work, it's been fun.

With best wishes for a safe and happy festive season, Joe Thompson.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS ~ 11.12.15

Kinder	Fletcher Herrmann
1/2	Alex Zaicos
2/3	Darcy Richardson
3/4	Jessica Johnson
5/6	Lillie Geddes

CLASS AWARDS

Kinder	Tommy Street for always trying his best.
Year 1	Jack Tyler for being a valued member of our school community for 3 years.
Year 2	Scout Woller for putting a lot of effort into her work.
Year 3	Ewan Knowles for being a valuable class member.
Year 4	Demi Maslen for presenting her work in a tidy manner.
Year 5	Fletcher Pereira for improved concentration in class.
Year 6	Imogen Key for consistently being on task.