Week 2 Term 4
Wednesday 16th October 2013

Kindergarten Orientation
P&C Meeting
Whole School Excursion
School Fete
School Swimming Scheme
Presentation Night

Friday 18th October (9am-12pm)
Tuesday 22nd October (9am-12pm)
Monday 21st October 3:30pm
Wednesday 23rd October-Friday 25th October
Friday 8th November 2:30pm-5:30pm
Monday 25th November-Friday 29th November
Wednesday 11th December

Student of the week

Tabitha Ward
For: Outstanding attitude towards her schoolwork and peers.

School News
A belated welcome back to school for Term 4. The children and staff appear to have had a good holiday. Thank you to Alana for taking charge of the school while I was on Long Service Leave. She has done an amazing job. I would also like to thank our teaching intern, Meagan Groat for the wonderful work she has done whilst in the school. We all wish her much success in her teaching career.
I look forward to another successful term.

Medical Notes for Excursion
Medical and permission notes, student behaviour agreements and permission to administer Panadol notes were sent home with all students attending the excursion on Tuesday. These must be returned to the school by Friday 18th October.

Excursion
Our excursion will be held next Wednesday to Friday 23rd to 25th October. The cost will be $150 per student and payment must be made before the excursion. All school teaching staff will be attending the excursion. Students not attending will be given work to complete at home.

A packing list and itinerary are attached to today's Newsletter. The bus will be leaving school at 9am, no later, so students are asked to be at school by 8.30am. If you are unable to provide transport for your child to arrive at the school by 8.30am, please contact the school ASAP.

Medication required by any student during the excursion must be delivered to a teacher on the morning of the excursion, clearly marked with the students name, amount to be taken and time of day required.

Student's are able to bring $15 maximum with them for lunch on Thursday, which will be at McDonalds. This money is to be given to a teacher on the morning of the excursion in an envelope clearly marked with their name.

Please ensure you have sleeping bags or doonas for all of your children attending the excursion. If you are having any difficulties providing these items please contact the school no later than Thursday afternoon. We will be able to help.

Did you bring your home reader/s and library books back?
Home Readers are to be returned each Tuesday.
Helping Out
If you would like to donate a slice or packet of biscuits for the children for supper on our excursion it would be very welcome.

School Fete
The school fete will be held on Friday 8th November 2013 from 2.30pm - 5.30pm. We will be holding a number of stalls and each family will be asked to nominate a stall in which they would like to help out with. Please fill out the attached stall information and return to school by Friday 18th October.

Book club
Book club was sent out on Friday. If you would like to order from this issue please return order forms and payment to school by Tuesday 22nd October.

Dental Visit
Staff from the Oral Health Clinic in Parkes will be providing free oral assessments for students at the school on Thursday 7th November at 9.30am. If you would like your child/children to be assessed during this visit please complete the attached consent form and return to school by Thursday 31st October 2013.

Hats and Drink Bottles
With the weather warming up students are reminded to wear their hats at all times during morning play, recess and lunch as well as bringing a water bottle filled with water to school each day. We have the water coolers in the classrooms which the students are able to use to fill up their drink bottles throughout the day.

Children who do not have a hat will be asked to sit in the shade on the verandah and play with a game from the library.

Home Readers
If you have any overdue home readers still at home from last term could you please bring them to school as soon as possible.

Kindergarten Orientation
Kindergarten Orientation begins this Friday 18th October 2013 from 9am-12pm and continue on Tuesday 22nd October at 9am-12pm. Children will be participating in activities within the classroom in preparation for their first year of school. Miss McWhirter and Mrs Earle are looking forward to meeting the children who will be involved in this program. If you would like your child to attend please contact the school on 68641124.

Forbes Small School Sports Day
The Forbes Small Schools will be holding their Small School Fun Sports Day on Thursday 31st October. A venue for the sports day will be decided over the next week. This was to be held earlier in the year but was washed out on numerous occasions.

There will be more information sent home over the coming weeks.

NAPLAN Results
NAPLAN results have been received by the school and distributed to those children who participated in this years exams. If you have not received your child’s results please check your child’s bag or contact the school on 68641124.

P&C Meeting
The next P&C meeting will be held in the office building on Monday 21st October starting at 3.30pm. All Parents and Carers are welcome to attend.
Bedgerabong Public School P&C Association

Spring Fair & Market Day

Saturday 19th October

Stalls for hire ($20)
Car Boot Stalls
BBQ & food stalls
Cannibal Coffee
Pony Rides
Fresh produce
Amusements
Entertainment
Face painting

Where: Bedgerabong School
Time: 10am to 3pm
For more info contact:
Margot Ruble: 68572118
Marilyn Horam: 68571185
Chalk/Parent Direct Order
Dates
18th October
18th November
Phone Christine on 68641124 or 68645174 for more information

Do you have a child in year 4, 5 or 6?

In 2001 (over 12 years ago) the Government introduced the ‘Child Tax Offset’ and surprisingly many Australians did not know about it and have NOT claimed any benefits.

HAVE YOU MISSED OUT ON THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS?

If your child was born between 1 July 2001 and 30 June 2004 you may be eligible to receive up to $12,500 of entitlements.

The government has now put a deadline on this entitlement so please email childoffset@twelve.com.au to receive more information.

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Your Family Tax Specialist

We are a
Crunch&Sip
School

Please don’t send RED foods to school in your child’s lunchbox.

RED foods include chocolate, lollies, and soft drink etc.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER HOST FAMILY – IT’S FUN!

World Education Program (WEP) is inviting you to experience another culture in your own home by becoming a volunteer host family to an international student arriving in January 2014. Students from Switzerland, Finland, the Netherlands, Brazil, Italy, Japan and Thailand are looking forward to experiencing life in Australia, making new friends and becoming a member of an Australian family.

"Another excellent experience for the family. We learned a lot about Italy. Virginia was very helpful and cooperative at home. It is a wonderful thing to give people new experience. Virginia had never eaten mango, been to ten pin bowling or held a crocodile or koala. This is the part I enjoy most about the exchange experience. Virginia will never forget Australia."
- Susan and Anthony, host parents of Virginia (Italy)

It’s easier than you think and a fantastic experience for all!

Find out more!
To help you make this important decision, contact WEP today to receive a full information pack for your family.

Sylvia Kelly
Manager Inbound Exchange Programs
Phone: 1300 884 733
Email: wep@wep.org.au
Online: www.wep.org.au
It’s that time of year again when we can all jump back in the pool to

GO SWIM!

This year Parkes Swimming Club is holding their GO SWIM NIGHT on Friday 18th October starting at 6.00pm.

There will be loads of cool stuff happening; a Club BBQ, fun relays and some racing, even some surprise giveaways and competitions! The night is gearing up to be exciting.

Why not bring a friend so they can see just how much fun swimming can be? Sport is so much more exciting when you have your friends around to join in! Forward this email onto all of your friends that you think might be interested.

If you have any questions about our Club or the GO SWIM NIGHT, please email Barbara Weaver at barboraharolee@hotmail.com or call 68625282 or talk to any Committee member at the Pool.

Come along and join in with us, it’s going to be great fun!

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<th>Where:</th>
<th>Parkes Pool, Dalton St.</th>
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<td>When:</td>
<td>Friday 18th October 2013 starting at 6.00pm. Finish expected to be 8.00pm.</td>
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<td>What to bring:</td>
<td>Swimming costume, goggles, towel, a warm jacket or tracksuit. Swimmers must be accompanied by an adult. Your Best Smile!</td>
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Packing List for Dubbo Excursion

Items each child will need to bring include:

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<th>Students are to wear their school uniforms for the 3 days we are away. It is advised to pack a spare set of clothes in case of accidents.</th>
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<td>Sleeping Bag or Doona</td>
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<td>Fitted Single Sheet</td>
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<td>Toiletries (travel size): shampoo, soap, brush, toothbrush, toothpaste</td>
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<td>Towel</td>
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<td>Jumper</td>
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<td>Enclosed Comfortable Shoes</td>
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Children are **not allowed** to bring any electronic items such as Ipad/Ipods, DS consoles etc. on the excursion. The school will not be held responsible for any damages to these items.
# 2013 Whole School Excursion Itinerary

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<td>23rd October</td>
<td>9:00 am</td>
<td>Leave School for Wellington Caves. Arrive approximately 11:30 am</td>
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<td>11:30 am-12 pm</td>
<td>Morning Tea at Wellington Caves</td>
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<td>12-3 pm</td>
<td>Tour of either the Cathedral or Garden Caves and Phosphate Mine. Lunch after 1 cave for 1/2 hr. If time allows, tour of the Japanese Gardens and Fossil Trail.</td>
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<td>3 pm-4:30 pm</td>
<td>Travel to Dubbo Zoo. Afternoon tea on arrival</td>
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<td>4:30 pm</td>
<td>Zoo snooze Itinerary</td>
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<td>8 pm</td>
<td>Supper</td>
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<td>Showers (Yrs 3)</td>
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<td>8:45 pm</td>
<td>Showers (Yrs 1-5) / Bed (Yrs 3)</td>
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<td>Bed (Yrs 1-5)</td>
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<td><strong>Thursday</strong></td>
<td>7:30 am</td>
<td>Morning Tour of Zoo</td>
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<td>24th October</td>
<td>9-9:30 am</td>
<td>Pack Bus</td>
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<td>9:30-11:30 am</td>
<td>Free to explore Zoo</td>
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<td>11:30-12:00 pm</td>
<td>Recess</td>
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<td>Old Dubbo Golf</td>
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<td>1:30-2:00 pm</td>
<td>Lunch at Victoria Park</td>
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<td>Ten Pin Bowling</td>
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<td>3:30-4:00 pm</td>
<td>Afternoon tea in Victoria Park</td>
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<td>4:00 pm onwards</td>
<td>Wambangalang Environmental Centre</td>
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<td><strong>Friday</strong></td>
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<td>Wambangalang Environmental Centre</td>
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<td>25th October</td>
<td>1:00 pm</td>
<td>Travel back to Bogan Gate</td>
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<td>3:30 pm</td>
<td>Approximate arrival at Bogan Gate PS</td>
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*Times are approximate only

*Students will need to pack Recess and Lunch on Day 1 (Wednesday)*

**Afternoon tea will be provided each day. This will consist of a small packet of chips/muesli bar and fruit as well as a juice popper or bottle of water.*

***Lunch will be at McDonalds on Thursday and provided on Friday consisting of a sandwich and fruit and bottle of water.*