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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Great Citizenship Angus Toy

Recently, Angus Toy, who is in Year 4 at our school won a BMX bike which he promptly donated to help a child in need. What a shining example of generosity and thoughtfulness. His parents are extremely proud of him as are we at Robert Townson Public School. Read more about this good news story in the article we have linked from the Campbelltown Macarthur Advertiser.

Presentation Assemblies and End of Year Events

Major Presentation Assembly K-6 and Student Parliament Induction - Monday 9 December 2019

Monday 9 December 2019 at 9:15am in the high school hall. This assembly includes the presentation of major awards, class awards, certificates of distinction, medallions and the induction of the Student Parliament.

Year 6 Graduation Ceremony – Monday 9 December 2019

Year 6 students will be presented with their graduation certificates at a special assembly starting at 11:30am in the primary school hall.

Kindergarten - Year 5 Celebration of Learning -Wednesday 11 December 2019

All students K-5 will have their achievements in 2019 recognised at these ceremonies, one for K-2 commencing at 9:30am and another for students in Years 3-5 commencing at 11:30am. Both events will be held in our school hall. Parents are welcome to attend. Tea and coffee will be available at the canteen.

Parent Helper Thankyou Morning Tea - Wednesday 11 December 2019

We extend an invitation to all parents, grandparents and friends who have provided assistance to the school to join us for morning tea at 11:00am on Wednesday 11 December 2019. We appreciate the opportunity to recognise and thank you for your contribution.

Year 6 Farewell Celebration Dinner - Thursday 12 December 2019

The Year 6 Farewell will be held at Lakeside Golf Club Camden on Thursday 12 December 2019.

Kinder Orientation

The Kindergarten Orientation Program for 2020 will be held over three weeks. Tuesday 29 October 2019, Tuesday 5 November 2019 and Tuesday 12 November 2019 from 9:30am to 10:45am. Children should attend all three sessions. If you have a child who is five or will be turning five before the end of July 2020, please collect an application for enrolment form from the office. We would appreciate it if you could pass this message on to friends and neighbours who have children approaching school age.

Please Let Us Know of Any Changes That May Affect School Organisation For 2020

We are currently planning classes for 2020. If you are aware that your child/children will not be attending this school next year it would be helpful if you could let the office know as soon as possible so that we can plan accordingly. If your child will be on leave in the first few weeks of 2020 please inform the school in writing to ensure a place in class is kept for them. If you have any significant factors regarding your child's placement in 2020 you would like taken into consideration please notify me in writing by Friday 22 November 2019. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Linda Green - Principal

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

The PBL Focus for Term 4 Weeks 3-4 is:



Be Respectful

I am learning to use my manners at all times.

Kylie Yabsley - PBL Coordinator

SMALL SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES FOR TERM 4

The small school assemblies for Term 4 will be on the following dates:

Wednesday 23 October 2019 (Week 2) – K-2 Assembly

Wednesday 30 October 2019 (Week 3) - 3-6 Assembly

Wednesday 6 November 2019 (Week 4) - K-2 Assembly

Wednesday 13 November 2019 (Week 5) - 3-6 Assembly

Wednesday 20 November 2019 (Week 6) - K-2 Assembly

All small school assemblies are held in the school hall beginning at 2:00pm. Our classes have the opportunity to run the assembly when they perform their item. Parents and carers will be notified by the class teacher when it is their classes turn.

Jen Masters - Small School Assembly Coordinator

SCHOOL YEARBOOK ORDERS

Each year Robert Townson Public School compiles a yearbook which highlights the favourite memories of each class during the year. The yearbook features a variety of school events and all sport group photos.

Sport group photos will only be available to purchase through the yearbook as the school photographer has not taken photos of these groups this year.

The cost of the yearbook is \$30.00. All yearbooks **must** be pre-ordered. If you wish to pre-order a yearbook, please download the order form and return it with payment to your child's class teacher.

Orders close Friday 8 November 2019.

Lidia Cosic and Alex Bisset - Yearbook Coordinators

K-6 CRAZY SOCK AND HAIR DAY

On **Friday 8 November 2019** students in Years K-6 will be having a Crazy Sock and Hair Day to assist with fundraising for the Year 6 Farewell.

Students come to school in their **normal school** uniform. If they make a **gold coin donation** they can wear **crazy or odd socks and/or crazy hair.**

Thank you for your support.

Student Parliament and Mrs Grant

SUMMER FUN DAY DONATIONS

5/6S, KN & KL will be running the Chocolate wheel on Summer Fun Day. We are seeking donations of:

<u>Pantry items</u> such as tinned fruit & vegetables, noodles, pasta sauce, pasta, cake mix, etc.

<u>Bathroom items</u> such as soaps, perfumes, new bath packs, etc.

<u>Stationary items</u> such as pens, textas, colouring books, pencils, etc.

New small toys and games

Please ensure all items are brand new, unopened and are within their use by dates. Thank you for supporting our stall. All donations can be made outside KN & KL in the plastic tub.

Kylie Yabsley, Christine Rolfe & Trudie Lehner Class Teachers

MATHEMATICAL TEAM CHALLENGE AT COBBITTY PUBLIC SCHOOL





"The winner will win a block of chocolate!" "Chocolate? We must win!" thought everyone.

On Wednesday 18 September 2019, eight mathematicians from our school were fortunate enough to visit Cobbitty Public School for a local mathematics competition against two other schools. Our two teams (one Year 5 team and one Year 6 team) had a blast competing in a variety of activities, including STEM and a half-day challenge. It was so much fun working with three other people from our school. We had to face a number of obstacles that showed our teamwork and required persistence and determination.

To start the day, the 'Quick and Easy Relay' commenced. Contrary to its name, it was not easy! We had to tackle five maths questions in a matter of 15 minutes, with the majority of them having us stumped.

Next up we had a silent challenge; no verbal communication or gesturing was allowed. We had sixteen assorted pieces shared evenly amongst us and we had to create four rectangles which were all the same area and perimeter. The Year 5 team didn't make the same rectangles because (as they discovered later) there was a piece on the floor!

Our last major activity was the STEM challenge. Our aim was to create a scaffold at least 20cm tall that could balance a plastic cup with a certain amount of water in it by using only straws and masking tape.

In the background, whenever we had surplus time, we did the half day challenge. It was a mixture of questions we had to complete while doing the other tasks. It was very enjoyable though!

Congratulations to our Year 6 team who won the competition ... and the chocolate!

"It was a fantastic day and I am thrilled to be going to the Grand Final at Bonnyrigg Public School next term," – Olivia Wright

"I would recommend doing this again next year, and I was ecstatic at the idea!" - Joshua Persen

Team 1 (Year 6): Cameron Lai, Daniyar Islam, Maahi Patel and Olivia Wright

Team 2 (Year 5): Joshua Persen, Jordan Whawell, Lincoln Stanislas and Rishita Kapur



Sue Cooper – Class Teacher (Report written collaboratively with team members)

FROM THE P&C

The Annual General Meeting of the Robert Townson Public School P&C will be held on Wednesday

20 November 2019 at 7:00pm in the staff room. This meeting will elect the Office Bearers for the P&C for the coming year. All are welcome to attend.

Christine Wright P&C President

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT

Do you know an aspiring young string player?

The Ernest V. Llewellyn Scholarship is open to all violin, viola, cello and double bass players under the age of 28, and provides support for advanced studies, master classes, seminars or workshops in Australia and overseas. Instrumentalists do not need to be a participant in AYO programs to apply!

Ernest V. Llewellyn was a notable Australian violinist, conductor, teacher and chamber musician. Following his death in 1982, the Ernest V. Llewellyn Memorial Fund was established by his friends and colleagues to honour his life and work.

Applications close on Monday 11 November 2019.

https://www.ayo.com.au/content/ernest-v-llewellyn-scholarship/gk9xx5

BECOME A VOLUNTEER HOST FAMILY



TO HOST EXCHANGE STUDENTS FROM COUNTRIES INCLUDING ITALY, FRANCE AND BELGIUM, ARRIVING IN AUSTRALIA IN JULY 2020!

IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST IN OTHER CULTURES, WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU! REMEMBER, SOMETIMES THE GREATEST REWARDS IN LIFE COME FROM DOING THINGS YOU NEVER THOUGHT YOU WOULD!

CONTACT WEP ON 1300 884 733 FOR MORE INFORMATION OR EMAIL INFO@WEP.ORG.AU.

Ciao from Italy!
I am able to see the good in

I am able to see the good in anything and anyone and I perceive every life event as a lesson. Hove spending time outdoors, swimming, walking, participating in team sports taking photos and meeting with my friends.

are very close; I respect and admire my parents. I can't wait to meet my Australian

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RTPS AND ANGLICARE PRESENT... RIDING THE EMOTIONAL ROLLERCOASTER WITH YOUR KIDS

A two hour workshop to equip you to be able to help your kids to manage their emotions well.



Stephen Dinning is a Family and Life Skills Facilitator with Anglicare. He has worked with families and children, both as a social worker and an Anglican minister. Steve and his wife are currently navigating the teen years with their two daughters

NOV 4,2019 | 9.30 TO 11.30 AM RTPS LIBRARY COMPLIMENTARY MORNING TEA

This event is free of charge for parents of RTPS students. Please RSVP to the school office by for catering purposes.