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<u>Weekly</u> Newsletter

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WET WEATHER

The constant wet weather throughout last term really did cause a lot of disruption and the cancellation of some popular school activities including NAIDOC Day, Gala Sports Day and of course, the Trunkey Creek Wool Festival and Horse

Now the lovely spring weather has begun and we all look forward to a wonderful, busy Term 4 at Trunkey Public School.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

We welcome back Evie Edwards, Roy Lowe and Cooper Gilbert as they complete the Kindergarten Orientation Program over the next five Tuesdays with Mrs Johnston and Mrs Brown and then enter the Kindergarten Preparatory Program on a full-time basis in the Main Classroom for the last five weeks of term.



Show.







OLIVER - A New Library System

Our new Library system, named OLIVER, goes live as of today! Congratulations and thank you to Mrs Fardon for ensuring all books and resources have moved across to the new system smoothly and without incident.



Throughout this term's Library lessons, the students will become familiar with the new Library search engine, made easier and more appealing for infants and primary students. Our students will learn how to reserve books for borrowing and check on their due books and those newly accessioned to our Library prior to each Wednesday's Library lessons. OLIVER has many new features that will make research and author studies at school much easier as well. I will go through the new features of OLIVER at our next P&C meeting.

Artist in Residence Program

The Artist in Residence Program is schedued for this Friday, 14th October. Ms Jody Lawson, a local artist with a special talent, will teach our students some techniques specific to the art of 'Zentangle.'

Zantangle differs somewhat from Zendoodle in that the core concept involves the use of a 'string' which defines an area and then that area is filled in with a repetitive pattern chosen from an existing list of patterns or 'tangles.'



The students' completed artworks will be exhibited at the Heritage Country Schools' Art Show from Monday 14th to Thursday 17th November at the Blayney Community Centre.

Ms Lawson will also select three student artworks for the privelege of being framed and hung outside the School Office for the 2017 school year.



<u>Small Talk Debating</u> <u>Competition</u>

Our primary students competed in their fourth debate today, this time, against Mumbil Public School. The topic was 'That TV is bad for children.' The Trunkey Team presented the affirmative side of this debate. Our team consisted of: Coby Maine, Jozzlen Edwards, Alycia Cogdell and Brigham Edwards.

Coby, as first speaker, presented the topic's definition clearly and stated our team's case convincingly. He raised the valid points that TV has a terrible effect on babies and young children as it is often used as a babysitter and can numb the child's brain from an early age.

Jozzlen continued the team's case by stating many facts that supported how school-aged children watch far too much television and prefer cartoons and nonsense shows rather than documentaries or current affairs. She also referred to studies related to increased anger and decreased attention spans in school-age children due to extensive TV exposure.

Alycia spoke about the harmful part television advertising plays in teenager's lives, quoting some very convincing facts and figures. She also referred to poor vision and obesity statistics, helping cement our school's position nicely.

Brigham was a superb thinker, focussing well on the arguments given by the opposition and presenting some solid rebuttals against their views. The ajudicator, Mr Grosset, congratulated our school team on their manner, method and main arguments, announcing Trunkey Public School as the winning school for today's debate! <u>CONGRATULATIONS!!!</u>



Hot Lunches on Friday

The Hot Lunch available for purchase this Friday is ham, cheese and tomato toasties. The cost is \$4.00. Please send your child's order and money to school on the day. Thank you.

<u>K.L.A. Day</u>

This year, our Heritage Country Schools' Combined KLA Day, to be held on Friday 21st October, will focus on a mixture of subject areas as follows:

Early Stage 1 & Stage 1 students - Millthorpe Public School - History Stage 2 students - Blayney Public School - Science Stage 3 students - Blayney High School - PD/Health/PE

All students should meet at the Trunkey Public School Car Park by 8:45am to be transported by private arrangement to Blayney Public School. Buses will transport the ES1 and S1 students to Millthorpe Public School, accompanied by myself, departing from Blayney Public School at 9:30am. The Stage 3 students will be escorted across the road to Blayney High School at 9:20am by BHS staff. Stage 2 students will be supervised by Heritage Country Schools' staff at Blayney Public School.

The day will conclude at 2:30pm with all students returning to Blayney Public School and then transported back to Trunkey Public School, arriving at 3:00pm.

All permission notes and lunch order forms will be attached to next week's newsletter. If you are available to assist with transport, please let me know.



School Play

This year's school play will be <u>**'The Jungle Book**</u>.' The students will receive their scripts over the coming few days and are asked to learn their lines as part of their nightly Home Reading requirements. We will, of course, be rehearsing each student's individual lines and actions during class.

Cast and Costuming

MAN FATHER - Indian - COBY, MOWGLI - Man Cub - COBY

BAGHEERA - Black Panther - JOZZLEN, BALOO - Honey Bear -

ALYCIA, KAA - Rock Python - ZAC, SHERE KHAN - Tiger -

JAIDEN, AKELA - Wolf Father - BRIGHAM, RAKSHA - Wolf

Mother - CAILI, GREY BROTHER - Wolf Cub - RUBEN

GOLDEN QUEEN OF THE BANDAR-LOG - Queen of the Monkey People - SAVANNA MONKEY PEOPLE: MONKEY 1 - CHARLOTTE, MONKEY 2 - ROY, MONKEY 3 - COOPER MONKEY 4 - EVIE

MAN MOTHER - Indian - SAVANNA

JUNGLE-PEOPLE: Jackal - SAVANNA, Buffalo - ZAC, Camel - CHARLOTTE, Bat - ROY Woodpecker - COOPER, Peacock - EVIE

NANGIR PUPPETEER - Represents Antelope-People, Snake-People, Elephant-People and Villagers - ALYCIA Through the investigations I have made online, it appears that the majority of the main characters' costumes can be sourced relatively easily. The genuine 'Jungle Book' labelled costumes look the most authentic and so are preferrable to the generic costumes available. The staff at Cosventure in Bathurst are checking with their regular suppliers to assist us with purchasing.



Shere Khan



Kaa



Mowgli





Baloo

Bagheera



Mowgli's parents

For the Jungle-People, the Monkey-People and the Grey Wolf Family, I suggest wearing plain coloured clothing and felt face masks. That way, it will be easy to transform from one character to the next. Wolf Family - grey and Jungle / Monkey People - brown.



I am sourcing a group quote for the felt animal masks from a supplier in the USA. That way all the purchases can be made in one order and the shipping will be much cheaper.

Savanna will just need a crown and jewellery to represent her position as the Queen. Her base clothing will need to brown to suit all three characters. Zac's base clothing will need to be black to suit his two characters. Alycia will stay in the Baloo costume and remove the mask to become the Puppeteer.

We will attempt to finalise costume purchases at the next P&C meeting before the Christmas season is upon us.

Props

We will be sourcing and making the following props over the course of the term. If you can provide any assistance with props, please let a staff member know.

Basket with baby doll wrapped in a blanket

Fire torch made from branches and cellophane paper

Evaporating waterhole

An assortment of grey rocks made from paper mache

Antelope, snake and elephant puppets

Honeycomb that can hang from a tree branch

Bees that fall from honeycomb when damaged (like a pinata)

Steps in front of the Village Ruins to enable the monkeys to climb up the walls and for GOLDEN QUEEN to sit up on the top of ruin

Camp fire in hall with fire sticks

Water carrier for Man-Mother to carry on her head

Refilled waterhole

Sporting Schools

I anticipate that the Sporting Schools Program will commence next Tuesday and Thursday, depending on the availability of the AFL and Touch Football deliverers. I will endeavour to confirm this as soon as possible.



Charlotte Edwards - Showing tremendous enthusiasm at school

Jaiden Cogdell - Making great progress in Music



Calendar of Events

<u> Term 4, Week 1 - Artist in Residence Program</u>

Monday 10th October	- Small Talk Debating Competition, 11:30am via VC
Tuesday 11th October	- Kindergarten Preparatory Program & Stage 1 with Mrs Johnston
	- Infants News Day
Wednesday 12th October	- Playgroup, 9am - 11:30am
Thursday 13th October	- Mrs Cogdell at Principals' meeting
	- Mrs Vanderhel to teach the class
	- Instrumental Musicianship Program, 2pm
Friday 14th October	- Artist in Residence Program, Ms Jody Lawson to
	teach students the art of 'Zentangle.'
<u>Term 4, Week 2 - K</u>	LA Day
Monday 17th October	- Mrs Cogdell absent, Mrs Vanderhel to teach the
	class
Tuesday 18th October	- Kindergarten Preparatory Program & Stage 1 with Mrs Johnston
	- Infants News Day
	- P&C meeting, 3:20pm
Wednesday 19th October	- Playgroup, 9am - 11:30am
	- Hollows as Homes visit
Thursday 20th October	- Mrs Vanderhel to teach the class
	- Instrumental Musicianship Program, 2pm
Friday 21st October	- KLA Day
	- ES1 / S1 to Millthorpe PS, S2 to Blayney PS & S3 to Blayney HS



Dates for Your Diary:

<u>Monday 31st October -</u> Postie Bike Rally at Trunkey Creek, P&C Association to cater. Students to perform at the Trunkey Community Hall

- Halloween activities after school

Monday 31st October - Friday 4th November - Yearly Assessments

Wednesday 9th - Friday 11th November - Stage 2 Excursion to The Rocks

<u>Monday 14th November -</u> Heritage Country Schools' Art Show Opening Night, Blayney Community Centre

Tuesday 15th November - P&C meeting

Friday 2nd December - Student Reports and Portfolios sent home to parents

Monday 5th - Friday 9th December - 3-Way Interviews

Tuesday 6th December - P&C meeting

Friday 9th December - Year 6 Farewell

Tuesday 13th December - End of Year Excursion

Friday 16th December - School Play and Presentation Night