Middleton Public School
NEWSLETTER

WEEK 5  TERM 2
18th May 2015

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Last week’s
P.B. Award
Winner

Sam Ryan - 5/6E
- Always enthusiastic to come to school and make the most out of each learning opportunity
- Works to the best of his ability, even when things are difficult
- Excellent behaviour
- Friendly personality, kind hearted and generous
- Responsible
- Respectful towards others
- Wears his uniform with pride

We are very lucky to have wonderful students like Sam at Middleton

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

School Information Night:
Our School Information Night was held last Wednesday and we had a wonderful group of parents and caregivers attend to learn all about the fantastic programs which are on offer.

If you know of any other families who may be interested in sending a child to Middleton PS in 2016, please ask them to contact the school for further information.

NorthParkes Mine Open Day:
We had a great stall and display at the NorthParkes Mine Open Day at NorthParkes Oval. It was wonderful to have so many students and families come along and visit. It was great to showcase our school to the wider community and to share just some of the high quality programs that are on offer to our students. Many thanks to the staff, students and parents who gave up their time on Saturday to assist in the running of the stall. It was a great day and I have heard many positive comments about our stall and display!

Fun Run:
It was great to see our school represented with a team of runner in the 2 kilometre fun run on Sunday.
Congratulations to the students for a fantastic effort which saw the team win their section. Thank you to the parents and Ms Davies for their support of this event.

Assembly:
Please note that there is no assembly this Thursday as the school is hosting the Lachlan Principals Meeting. We will be back to normal in Week 6. Certificates will be handed out on Friday morning this week.

AECG Meeting:
On Wednesday we are hosting the AECG Meeting for this term—the AECG representatives will attend the Junior Meeting from 9:30am with the Senior Meeting commencing at 10.30am.

Evacuation Practice:
This morning we held an evacuation drill for all of the staff and students. These have to be held at various times through the year and ensure that the students and staff are prepared in case of an event taking place.

There will be no weekly assembly on Thursday afternoon

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Awards

Congratulations to the children who were presented with Student of the Week Ribbons for their effort last term:
Kash Godwin (KH), Chelsea McMaster (KP), Jessica Larsen (1M), Amelia Ah-See (1/2SG), Kaleb Gould (2W), Sarah Field (3/4DW), Lilliana Walton (3/4M), Richard Gaut (3/4OR), Katharine Waghorn (5/6E), Douglas Butt-Anderson (5/6H), Lillian Kealley-Smith (Mrs Butler), Connor Proberts (Mrs Dean), Summer Ruse (Mrs Norton), Dean Cotter (Mrs O’Donnell) and Bridget Mrak (Mrs Fisher). Well Done!!

Merit Certificates — English (Reading):

Primary Sports: Charlee Studdert
Infants Sports: Jye Morgan
Assembly Item: No Assembly this Week

* There will be no assembly on Thursday this week due to the Principals Conference being held in the Hall

GRIP Leadership Conference:
On Friday, I will be travelling to Dubbo with some of our prefects to attend the GRIP Leadership Conference. It is always a fantastic day with the students learning a large amount about leadership and what type of leader they are. Many thanks to the parents/caregivers who are able to assist with transport to and from Dubbo on the day.
Mr David Simes - Principal

Canteen News

20.05.15 Wednesday J Duncan
21.05.15 Thursday J Duncan, J Milne
22.0515 Friday T Trim
25.05.15 Monday J Onley
27.05.15 Wednesday J Milne

If you are unable to attend the canteen when you are rostered on please phone Barb Osborne on 6862 1461 or 0437 164440 the day before if possible.
Mrs B Osborne—Canteen Manager

Year 4 Wambagalang Excursion
The Year 4, 3 day 2 night Wambagalang excursion will be held in September, Term 3, Week 9. Information will be coming home this week with Year 4 students. Please complete notes promptly and return to school to assist us with our organisation and final costing.

Year 4 2LVR Radio Program
Tune into 2LVR 97.9FM this Tuesday afternoon, 19th May from 5pm to 6pm. Year 4 students Teagan Smede, Ella MacGregor and Molly Orr will be excitedly presenting their radio program. There will be interesting Middleton Public School information, music and jokes!

ICAS
ICAS Digital Technologies (previously known as Computer Skills) assessment will be held this Wednesday 20th May. The assessment will take place during school hours. The following students have registered to participate in the test:
Ella Ward
Brayden Chapple
Toby Field
Sarah Field
Richard Gaut
Nina Gaut
Alleyne Gaut
Equipment for the test will be provided.
Mrs Mackenzie

PBL Students on Target
Karma Smith

PBL
Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)
Show Respect, Be Responsible,
Have a Positive Attitude

Stage 2
Can the children in “frypans” who had Mrs Roberts last Friday please bring in a spare pair of very old clothes to wear on Friday for Enrichment Groups.
Mrs Roberts
Primary Winter Sport

Personal Best points for primary winter sport last week go to:

Girls Hockey Training

There will be girls hockey training on Thursday, 3.30 - 4.30pm at Stephen Davies Field.
The girls must have MOUTHGUARD and SHINPADS to be allowed to participate in training.

Girls Hockey Results

Our girls hockey team played in Round 1 of the PSSA Girls Hockey Knockout competition travelling to Dubbo to play Dubbo South Public School last Thursday. What a game of hockey it was! Dubbo South were extremely strong and our girls had to work hard in defence. The full time score was 1 - 1. So out came the rules for a tied game and 9 girls went back on, not the usual 11 for 7 minutes of extra time. Still neither side scored. So the 9 girls went back on for another 7 minutes. Still neither team scored. Then we had to drop to 7 players and on the girls went in a third session of extra time. After about 68 minutes of nail biting, heart stopping hockey our forward line of Lara Piercy, Lily Crocker, Alex Williams made an attacking run with Abigail Simpson getting past the back line and popping the ball into the goal mouth. There were cheers of excitement from players and parents. Special mention goes to our strong defence trio of Anna Westcott, Paige Duncan and goalie Tylah Mapperson. They all stopped every ball that came near them. All the girls played exceptionally well with Ella MacGregor, Maeve O'Brien and Karlah Stubbs in the half positions and Molly Orr, Karlah Stubbs and Latisha Shorter - Kliese in the wing positions. Well done girls! The team will now have a home game against Dubbo North Public School in the coming weeks.

Market Stall Success

MPS held another successful market stall on Saturday at the North Parkes Mine Open Day, held at North Parkes Oval. Thank you to the teachers, parents and students who assisted at the stall. We have raised approx. $270 which will go towards our Stage 2 (Year 3/4) Kitchen Garden program to purchase kitchen equipment and garden supplies. So far this year we have purchased a small bench oven, food processor, hot plates, frypans and two small garden sheds! It is exciting seeing this money going directly back into the students' education.

At our next market stall (June 14th) we hope to sell lots of citrus as we did last year. Please let Mrs Orr know if you will have any extra lemons, oranges, mandarins or something else to donate to our June market stall. Any one interested or do you know someone interested in making preserves (jams, chutneys and relishes) for us please see Mrs Orr. Jars will be supplied as these need to be new and some ingredients can be supplied also.

In the Garden...... We will be planting in the new garden bed donated by Mr and Mrs Nixon, harvesting the last of the chilies, removing chilli plants, beans and capsicum plants ready to sow more winter vegetables. We also need to check our popcorn which has been harvested.
Performance—Cinderella
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Lunch box idea:
Main lunch: ham and sweet corn frittata
Nutritious snack: reduced fat custard
Fruit: Banana
Drink: Water
Extra snack: rice crackers or rice cakes with dip

Have you ever thought...
What can I do with those wooden fence palings over there?
What will I do with all these old golf balls?
I really think those clothes belong on a scarecrow!

Stage 2 have the answers to all these clutter problems and more!!

We are looking for donations of the following items to help make some beautiful garden ornaments for the school:
- Golf balls
- Fence palings
- Bottle tops
- Old buttons
- Dowel
- Old keys
- Exterior paint
- Plastic hubcaps
- Smooth pebbles (5-200mm)
- Old “scarecrow” clothes/hats
- 1.25-2L plastic bottles

If you can help by donating any of these pre-loved items please send them into 3/4OR classroom or contact Mrs Roberts.

If you are interested in seeing what we will be creating with these items please feel free to come and help out in our enrichment group on Fridays 12:20-1:50. Come one week, every fortnight or every Friday, an extra pair of hands will always be well used!

Needed for Waste To Art 2015
Collecting all year - small coloured tops/lids for our “Fantastic Plastic Garden”!

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**Opera Australia School Tours - Cinderella**

Introduce your children to the magic of opera through this exciting performance of Cinderella.

Based on the opera La Cenerentola by Rossini, Opera Australia has specially adapted one of opera’s most captivating tales in a production tailored for primary school children. Rossini’s sparkling music will light the way through a wonderful mix of magic, drama and hijinks in a fully-staged, brand new, 50 minute version of Cinderella devised especially for Opera Australia.

This Performance will be on Thursday 28th May

Cost is $7.00 per student

If you paid your voluntary school contributions the performance was included in this fee.

I give permission for:

Child: ........................................................................................................... Class: .........................

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to attend “Cinderella” and enclose $......... Date .................

Parent Name: ............................................... Signature ..............................................................
Northparkes Rotary Parkes Fun Run

Yesterday an enthusiastic group of 17 students from Years 2-6 participated in the Northparkes Rotary Fun Run. This was held out at Harrison Ovals and the children completed the 2km course along Nash Street. The students all ran their hardest and it was pleasing to be announced that Middleton Public School were the Team winners for the day. The Middleton Students also stood out in their royal blue and red singlets and could be seen from a far distance. The behaviour of everyone was excellent and it was wonderful to witness great team participation. Congratulations to Brady Hill, Lily Crocker, Ruby Smith and Lara Piercy who were the first four students over the line for Middleton.

Congratulations also goes out to Lara Bennet and Hope Kealley-Smith who both won lucky draw prizes during the presentation.
See you all again next year.

Ms Davies