Principal’s Report

The Kindergarten children have settled into school routines very well with both Mrs Harris and Mrs Piffarelli concluding each day with a big smile as do the children. Parents have spoken very positively about the impact the Mini Middleton’s has had on their children’s readiness for school.

Tomorrow our Annual Swimming Carnival is being held. A very hot day is forecast so please ensure that your child has ample water, hat and sun protection. It’s always an enjoyable day so I encourage you to come along and support the children. We wish all of the competitors an enjoyable and successful day.

Congratulations to Alex Williams whose artwork titled FIRE has been published in the Lachlan Catchment Management Authority 2014 calendar.

The council parking officer issued warnings to several motorists last week regarding illegal parking. Hefty fines will be issued if you are not adhering to the parking rules. Please refer to the parking guidelines sent home last week, these parking rules are in place to ensure the safety of your children. Remember to use the children crossing at all times.

On Thursday at 9.20am we will hold a short recognition ceremony for National Sorry Day. All parents and caregivers are invited to attend this ceremony.

Also on Thursday the Champion Post will be taking photographs of our new Kinder students, student leaders and new staff.

On Wednesday interviews for the Principal’s position will be held in Orange. I will let you know the outcome as soon as I am able.

Have a SUPER week!! Smile !!

Mrs Rosser
Relieving Principal

Last week’s P.B. Award Winner

Piper Clohessy—5/6H

This week’s winner of our PB Award goes to Piper Clohessy. Piper is a wonderful young person. She came to our school at the beginning of 2013 and has impressed everyone with her great attitude and friendly nature.

Piper is very respectful to teachers and peers, and she has gained respect in return. It doesn’t matter what the task is, Piper simply gets on with it without any fuss and truly does her Personal Best.

Congratulations Piper!
Awards
Congratulations to the children who were presented with Student of the Week Ribbons for their effort last week:
Joeselyn Folau (KH), Josie Jennings (KP), Ebony Weeke (1M), Bellah Hewett (1/2C), Alana Folau (2DW), Darcy Langham (3/4D), Tyrone Fardell (3/4M), Amanda Lowe (3/4OH), Latisha Shorter-Kliese (5/6E), Alex Williams (5/6H), Jayden Connor-Allen (Mrs Butler), Georgie MacGregor (Mr Dumesny), Ashley-Eve Ruse (Mrs King), Jaylina Aroko (Mrs Fisher), Ryan Cotter (Mrs Norton), Jeremy Hopfe (Mrs O’Donnell), Sharni Holmes (Mrs Standen). Well Done!!

Canteen News
11.02.14 Tuesday J Jeffery
12.02.14 Wednesday K Hamilton, K Johnston
13.02.14 Thursday K Hamilton, K Huppatz
14.02.14 Friday C Bowd, K Huppatz
17.02.14 Monday S Jordan
18.02.14 Tuesday J Jeffery

Reminder
Wraps are available on Tuesday and Hot Dogs are available on Thursday.

Canteen Price List
A new price list is going home with today’s newsletter. Please note price increase on some items.
Mrs B Osborne - Canteen Manager

Merit Certificates
Settling into School Routines

Library News
Due to the swimming carnival there will be no library lessons on Tuesday. Children will be able to borrow on Wednesday or Thursday.

Active After-Schools Program
The Active After-school Communities (AASC) program will commence in Week 4 Monday 17th February. A note has been sent home to all students involved in these activities.
Miss Louise McAneney

Parent Helpers
All parents/Caregivers are welcome any time at Middleton School. Volunteers and other workers must sign in at the front office where they will be issued with a pass to wear while on our premises.

School Counsellor
Miss Kathryn Postle will be in our school each Monday and Friday. Kathryn can be contacted through the school office.

PBL Student on Target
Lachlan Swindle - Lachlan is to be commended for the mature and sensible way he has cared for the new Kindergarten students. Lachlan has been friendly with all of the children, not only his buddy. He has been playing games and helping these students find their way around the playground. Lachlan has demonstrated Respect, Responsibility and a Positive Attitude towards our Kindergarten children. Excellent effort Lachlan!

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

NO HAT, NO PLAY
Teachers will be diligent in enforcing this important rule. Broad-brimmed hats are the only acceptable hats to be worn.
Swimming Carnival
All students in Years 3-6 will participate in our annual swimming carnival tomorrow Tuesday 11th February. All students are to meet their teachers outside the pool (students travelling by bus will be transported to the pool from school at 9.00am). All students should have already returned their note about how they will be going home and paid their $2 entry fee. We are all looking forward to an enjoyable day. Don’t forget sunscreen, swimmers, towel, hat, lunch and water.

Swimming in Week 4
Due to the Parkes High School carnival being held on Wednesday 19th February Week 4, we will have swimming for sport on Tuesday 18th February. We will be approaching parents who may be able to assist in the next few days. Thank you.

Carewest preschool early learning service
9.00am to 3.00pm
Monday /Tuesdays 4-5 years
Wednesday / Thursday 3-4 years
at Middleton Public School

Transitioning children to Kindergarten is a seamless process when the preschool space is attached to a Public School
1300 227 393

Waste to art
Needed for our Waste to Art creation for 2014:
- Bright coloured plastic lids and small containers

We need lots and lots of stuff and we need it soon so start collecting.

Send all of your great bright plastic rubbish to the library or school office. All students who contribute to the rubbish pile will be invited to be part of our master piece.

Happy Collecting !!!

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**Student Medical Forms**

During the next week we will be updating our medical record systems to ensure we have the most up-to-date information on your child’s health.

All students will receive the medical form. Could you please fill them out and return them to us as soon as you can, with or without any changes.

We appreciate your support as we start collecting the information, and if you have any questions please call the school office on 6862 1999.

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**School Bus Service**

Due to recent changes announced late last year by Transport NSW regarding the withdrawal of school bus “safety’s” Western Road Liners have been forced to implement the following changes, effective Monday 10th February 2014:

From today, Monday 10th February all Middleton Public School students in Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 that live in 1.6kms of Middleton Public School by radial distance or 2.3kms walking distance regardless of their address will now be required to either walk to and from school or pay the driver an amount of $1.10 or purchase a travel pass from Western Road Liners for $388.00 per year or $194.00 per half year.

Free travel will continue to be granted to Middleton Public School students that:
- currently reside greater than the above distance from Middleton Public School,
- have gained a medical exemption by visiting your local GP (forms available from the school office) or
- students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2.

Finally should you have any questions with any of the above issues please contact Western Road Liners on 6862 1022.

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The Child Dental Benefit Schedule - Families who are eligible will receive $1000 dental treatment for each child aged between 2-17 years. Families who are eligible should have already received a letter. Please contact local dental practitioners regarding this benefit.

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Kip McGrath Education Centres

Call Bill & Beth on 68625112

For a FREE assessment