

# Newsletter Newsletter

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## Playground Equipment Official Opening

Thank you to all who attended our opening of the playground equipment. Please check the local newspapers this week for articles about the playground.

The following students who spoke at the opening did an amazing job. I would personally like to thank each and every one of them.

Congratulations to:-

**Phoebe**  
**Lacey**  
**Blake**  
**Jemima &**  
**Harry**







### **Book Week Parade**

Book Week was celebrated on Friday. Thank you for making such an effort with the fantastic costumes. 100% of students and teachers were dressed in costumes.

The Best Costumes were awarded to –

1. **Katie** – Dressed as **Grug**
2. **Zane** – Dressed as **Tashi**
3. **Kiara** – Dressed as **Little Red Riding Hood**
4. **Lauchlan** – Dressed as a **Fireman**





### **Numeracy & Literacy Week**

This week is Numeracy and Literacy Week. We will be celebrating this event on Tuesday with a rotation of activities organised by Mrs Avery. Each group will participate in a series of group activities in numeracy and literacy.

### **New Australian Curriculum**

All staff will complete new training and programming on the Australian Curriculum on **Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September**. The training will be held here at school.

*C. Phelps* – PRINCIPAL

### **History Talk**

The students of Millers Forest P.S. were fortunate enough to have another long time Millers Forest resident, Mr Clem O'Brien, visit the school on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> August. Mr O'Brien spoke to the students about the history of Millers Forest and how the local area has changed over time. The students had many questions for Mr O'Brien and really enjoyed listening to him.



### **Soccer Game**

We have organised a friendly soccer game against Glen William P.S. this Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> August at Millers Forest Public School. Students will need to bring their shin pads and soccer pads if they have them. Please pack an extra bottle of water for your child too.

### **Art Day**

A note went home on Friday about an Art Day to be held at Gresford Public School on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Places are limited, so please return the note and money as soon as possible if you would like your child to go.

### **Maitland Horse Sports Day**

Iona Public School is hosting a Horse Sports Day on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> October at Maitland Polocrosse Grounds, Rutherford. The entry fee is \$20 per rider and riders participate in age based riding and sporting events. If you are interested, an information pack is available in the office.

*Cathy Bray*

2/6 Teacher & Sports Co-ordinator



### **Auditory Processing Seminar**

I attended a seminar on Wednesday at Ashtonfield Public School on the topic of Auditory Processing.

One of the teachers at the school spoke to us how important it is for children to be able to process what they hear correctly and efficiently, to be able to see clearly, to have enough sleep every night (12 hours sleep is recommended), to have at least two books read to them daily, that Dad or a male figure is seen to be a regular reader and that children make letter sounds correctly and if necessary to see a Speech Pathologist if they are having problems in this area or if recommended by the teacher.

It is also extremely important for your child to have a balanced diet including fish oil, zinc and omega 3.

It would be beneficial for your child to be examined by a Behavioural Optometrist if they are having problems with their sight. In our professional opinion it would be advisable to contact Kevin O'Brien at Singleton on (02) 6572 2934.

*Louise Hunter*

K/1 Class Teacher

### **Excursion to Blackbutt Reserve**

To consolidate the unit of work the children are studying this term, it has been decided that the whole school will be participating in an excursion to Blackbutt Reserve. The children will be participating in the Plant Diversity Program.

The excursion will be held on Wednesday, 17th September. The children will be traveling by bus. Further information including an expression of interest for parental help will be sent home this week.

Thank you for continued support in your Child's/Children's education.

*Louise Hunter*

Excursion Co-ordinator

### ***Important Dates to Remember***

<b>Numeracy &amp; Literacy Group Activities</b>	<b>Tuesday</b> 26 <sup>th</sup> August, 2014
<b>Soccer Game with Glen William Public School</b>	<b>Thursday</b> 28 <sup>th</sup> August, 2014
<b>Create Art Carnival at Gresford Public School</b>	<b>Wednesday</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> September, 2014
<b>T-Ball Game with Mount Kanwary Public School</b>	<b>Thursday</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> September, 2014
<b>Blackbutt Reserve Excursion</b>	<b>Wednesday</b> 17 <sup>th</sup> September, 2014
<b>Last Day of Term 3</b>	<b>Friday</b> 19 <sup>th</sup> September, 2014
<b>Students Return for Term 4</b>	<b>Tuesday</b> 7 <sup>th</sup> October, 2014

### **Some More Playground Opening Photos to Share...**





## Assembly Awards

### Week 5 – Term 3

<b>Principals Award</b>	<b>Ally</b> – Working hard in all subjects.
<b>Citizenship Award</b>	<b>Jai</b> – Being helpful to others.
<b>Kindergarten Award</b>	<b>Katie</b> – Improvement in reading sight words.
<b>Infants Award</b>	<b>Austin</b> – Improvement in spelling.
<b>Playground Award</b>	<b>Monique</b> – Being considerate of others on the playground.
<b>Sports Award</b>	<b>Haydan</b> – Playing fairly and helping others.
<b>Assembly Award</b>	<b>Blake</b> – Listening carefully.
<b>Q Award</b>	<b>Chloe</b>

### TREE of the WEEK



### Harry – Congratulations...



### Week 6 – Term 3

<b>Principal's Award</b>	<b>Lauchlan</b> – A great effort in writing.
<b>Citizenship Award</b>	<b>Harry</b> – Following the school rules consistently.
<b>Kindergarten Award</b>	<b>Haydan</b> – Excellent story writing.
<b>Infants Award</b>	<b>Austin</b> - Reading with expression.
<b>Playground Award</b>	<b>Jai</b> – Being helpful in the playground.
<b>Sports Award</b>	<b>Riley</b> – Playing fairly.
<b>Assembly Award</b>	<b>Lacey</b> – Great singing

### TREE of the WEEK



### Mason- Congratulations...

