



William Dean Public School

Bluey's Bulletin

TERM 3 WEEK 6

Friday 24th August 2017

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

NAPLAN REPORTS

All Year 3 and Year 5 students should have received their National Assessment Program results. We were proud of the students' efforts. If you have further questions regarding your child's results do not hesitate to make an appointment to discuss the matter with your child's teacher.

2017 NAPLAN ONLINE PREPARATION

As indicated in previous notes, NSW will begin to transition to NAPLAN testing online throughout this year in readiness for 2018. As a result, the 2017 Year 3 and 5 students will participate in an online readiness test during this week, allowing for the students, and teachers to become familiar with the online testing environment and the test platform before its implementation next year. The Readiness test will consist of two online assessments: a writing assessment and a combination literacy/numeracy composite assessment. The duration of each assessment will be approximately 40 minutes.

STAGE 3 CAMP

Last week 53 of our Stage 3 students participated in a three day school excursion to Canberra. The students visited many of the local sites including Parliament House, the Australian War Memorial and Questacon. The students had a great time and it was very pleasing to hear that their behaviour was outstanding throughout the three days. The teachers were also very impressed with the knowledge that they brought with them from what they had learnt at school. The students were great ambassadors for our school.

We would like to thank the Stage 3 teachers Mrs Krause and Mr Daglis for accompanying the students, their organisation and supervision.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING- SUPERSIX TWILIGHT SESSION

On Monday 21 August the staff participated in a three and a half hour workshop after school focussing on comprehension strategies. The workshop was presented by Ms Lizzie Chase. All staff walked away with some wonderful strategies that can be used in the classroom to support students with understanding the texts they read.

MULCHING DAY

We would like to thank Mrs Zihni and Mrs Kesharwani who helped with our tree mulching day. This year we concentrated on spreading the mulch around the trees. This was the recommendation from the arborist after the yearly tree inspection. Special thankyou to Mrs Bennett, Mr Fuller and Mrs McGaughey for their organisation and hard work on the day.

BOOK PARADE AND FAIR

To celebrate Book Week we will be holding a book parade on Monday 4 September from 9:15 on the netball courts. We look forward to seeing some wonderful costumes and watching the students parade the community's creative talents. We will have the Annual Book Fair in the library from August 31 until September 1.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Porter and the wonderful Book Week committee for all their organisation and hard work.

FATHER'S DAY

Sunday 3 September is Father's Day. Our

P&C is very kindly holding a Father's Day stall on Friday 1 September, providing an opportunity for the students to buy many wonderful gifts (please see separate note for more detail about the Father's Day stall). We will also hold a special community breakfast on Friday 1 September for all our Dads and Grandfather's. Everyone is welcome to attend.

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2018

If you, your relatives or friends have children who will start school at William Dean Public School next year (they will have to be five by 31 July, 2018) you should have an enrolment form filled in and returned to the school as soon as possible. Forms can be obtained from the school office Monday to Friday between 8:30am and 3:00pm. Parents and caregivers who have returned their enrolment forms will be informed of transition programs that will be held at the school.

STUDENTS ARRIVING EARLY

We would greatly appreciate your support in ensuring that your child arrives at school at the appropriate time. We have a growing number of students who are being dropped off at school very early. Supervision of students commences at 8:30am. To ensure the safety and well-being of our students, please do not drop your child at school before this time. Before and after school care is available if required at the Kids' Early Learning Centre next door. For further information please contact Kristy on 9626 5663.

Regards

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Look at all the learning experiences that have been happening in 2/3N...

We had an incursion from Blacktown City Council called 'Environmentors'. We learnt all about the importance of recycling! J



During Maths lessons, we have been working towards becoming better mathematicians by showcasing our thinking during Number Talks. Here we are working on the way we understand number patterns, counting forwards and backwards, place value and relationships between numbers using number charts and figuring out what numbers are missing.



We have been learning about figurative language. This is us identifying figurative language that authors use such as similes, alliteration, metaphor or onomatopoeia to make their narratives interesting for readers!



In Science, we have been investigating different types of materials. We have been talking about how they feel? What they are used for? Their strengths and weaknesses. Soon we will be doing experiments to see how materials mix and change.



STAGE ONE REPORT

On Monday 21 August, Year 3 students from our class went to visit Goat Island. They travelled back to 1830 and pretended they were convicts. They got to dress up and learn about convict life in Australia.



LIBRARY NEWS

Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC)

A reminder to those who are participating in this year's Premier's Reading Challenge to hand in or submit online your reading logs by no later than the **25th August**.

Book Parade

On Monday 4th September WDPS will celebrate the 2017 National Book Week with a costume book parade. For this year's celebrations why not try looking through the library for some inspiration, or try dressing up as a character from a book you have been reading with your classroom teacher! Stay tuned for more details to come.

Book Fair

In Week 7 & 8 will be holding our annual Book Fair in the library. The fair will commence on Friday 1st September and run through until Wednesday 6th September. The fair will only be open in the mornings from 8:15 to 8:45am, and re-open in the afternoon from 3:15 to 4:00pm. More information coming to you soon!

SUPER HERO DAY

On Friday 8th September, there will be a Superhero Welcome for all children aged 3-5 in the community and for those children starting kindergarten in 2018. The children will have the opportunity to experience a morning session in the classroom. Invitations will be sent to children enrolled for Kindergarten 2018. Community members who have pre school aged children are also welcome to attend. We will commence at 9:30am and finish at 10:45am in the Kindergarten rooms. Parents will need to accompany their child.



BLUEY OF THE MONTH



Each month students have the opportunity to be named “Bluey of the Month”

This award is now allocated on a class basis and not a stage basis which enables more children the opportunity to earn the award. Each class will receive 3 awards throughout the year. To be a candidate for the award students must display the following attributes:- be hard working, dedicated, helpful, polite, encouraging, kind, thoughtful, confident, enthusiastic and participate in activities.

Congratulations to the following Bluey of the Month Winners.

K1R - Keenan K

2/3N - Joshua B

3/4I - Ilya M

5/6K - Vida M



PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Congratulations to the following students who have received Principal's Awards.

Wk 4	"Being a respectful member of our school"		"Always staying safe in the playground"
KI	Bohdi H	KI	Jhazmyn B
K/1R	Ansh B	K/1R	Ellie F
1S	Aryan R	1S	Jaydon W
2/3N	Dustin G	2/3N	Cooper G
3/4H	James A	3/4H	Ramtin R
5/6D	Marya S	5/6D	Simon D

Wk 5	"Being a respectful member of our school"		"Always staying safe in the playground"
KR	Levi T	KR	Sophie F
1M	Victoria T	1M	Isaac M
2S	Peyton P	2S	Samara C
3/4I	Marianna S	3/4I	Tayla P
4/5H	Jahzeel Y	4/5H	Arisha R
5/6K	Aaliyah A	5/6K	Christian D

Wk 5	"Improvement in writing"		"Displaying an interest in Science"
KR	Daeliyah T	KR	Kayla B
1M	Reilly D	1M	Kemuel B
2S	Ayden P	2S	Gabriel J
3/4I	Sarah B	3/4I	Armin R
4/5H	Tamara N	4/5H	Ilispeci S
5/6K	Mya H	5/6K	Teodor P

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Wk 6	"Improvement in Mathematics"		"Being caring towards others"
KI	Thomas O	KI	Isaak B
K/1R	Kaylee C	K/1R	Jinda Leigh S
1S	Olivia J	1S	Sierra S
2/3N	Dakota H	2/3N	Deepansh B
3/4H	-	3/4H	-
5/6D	Ayden M	5/6D	Ayden M

TOUCH FOOTBALL NEWS

A selected group of students participated in the NSW Touch Football Gala Day at Kareela Reserve on Thursday 10th August. Students demonstrated excellent participation and skill on a very competitive day. The team played a total of 5 games, recording a win and a draw.

William Dean Public School is very proud of your effort and sportsmanship.

Congratulations to the following students

Kai S, Alex W , Camren A , Roland B , Andrez M , Brodie G ,Phillip H , Riley J



REFUGEE WEEK CELEBRATION

Thank you to everyone who came along and shared in our celebration and assembly. We were able to donate \$210 to Sydwest Multicultural Services.



STAGE 3 EXCURSION UPDATE

Thank you to all our parents and caregivers who were so prompt when arriving for the Canberra Excursion. It meant that we were able to collect everything, pack the bus and leave on time.

Your children were fantastic and their behaviour was excellent. We learnt a lot over the three days and had the opportunity to engage in a lot of fun activities. At all venues, the children were respectful and made us very proud to be their teachers.

For major trips such as this one, the Government makes a contribution which we factored in to the original cost of the excursion. (Please see insert below)

At next week's assembly, 5/6K will be presenting a Power point with photos and experiences from the trip. We would like to invite any parents from 5/6D and 4/5H who are interested to join us for the assembly.

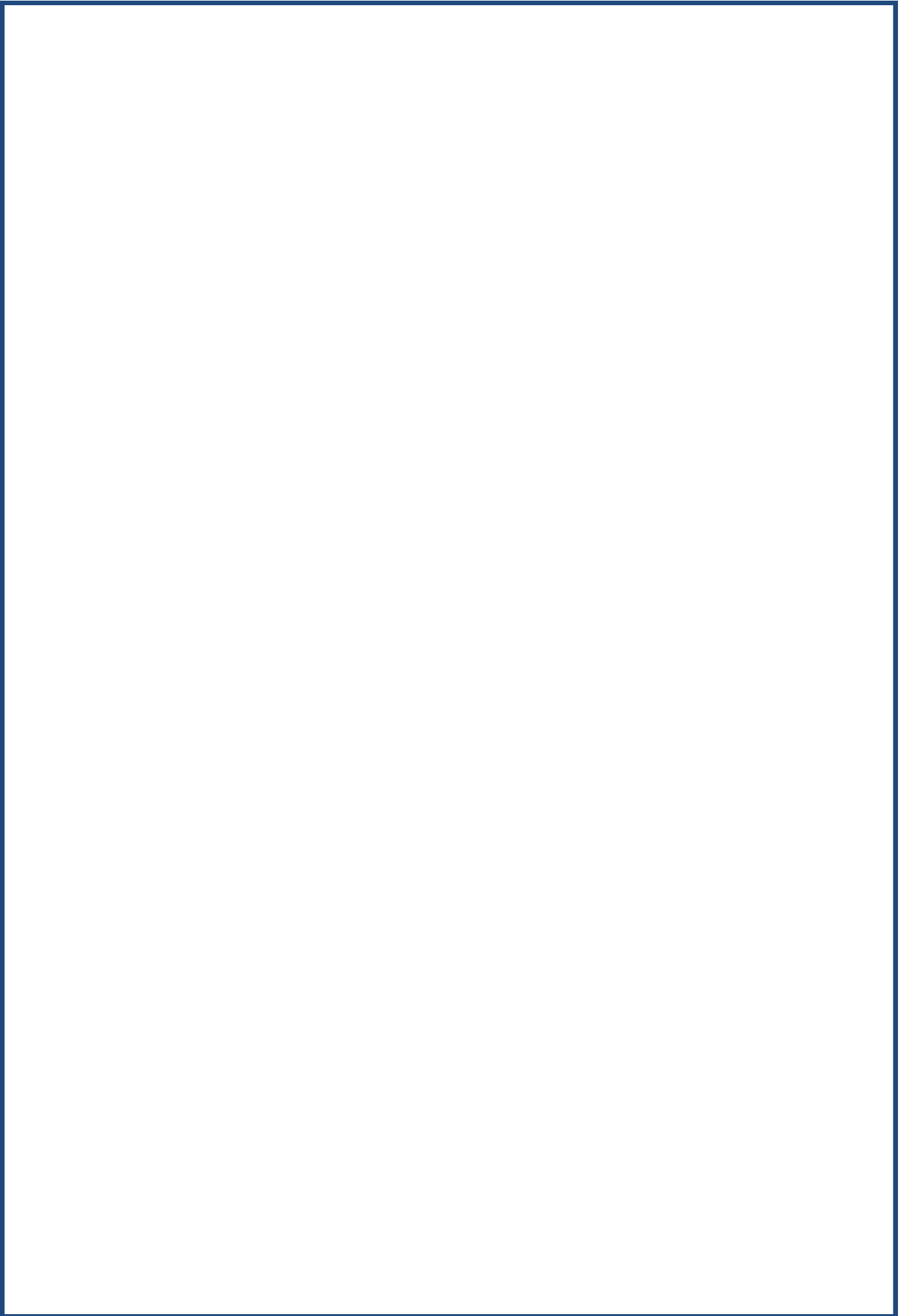
Finally thank you all for being so prompt in picking up your children on Friday night. We are sure they slept well and had many stories to tell. (We both did). Mrs Krause and Mr Daglis

Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government has contributed funding of \$20.00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

As stated above this was factored into the original cost of the excursion taking it from \$340 per child to \$320 per child.





SAFE, RESPECTFUL LEARNERS AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have received Safe Respectful Learner Awards

Term 3 Week 4			
KI	Hadi N	KR	Hunter F
K/1R	Ansh B	1M	Sophie B
1S	Marques P	2S	Ashlee K
2/3N	Kylan P	3/4H	Erica H
3/4I	Shauna Y	4/5H	Ilisapeci S
5/6D	Tenay S	5/6K	Jehziel Y

Term 3 Week 5			
KI	Jaimee K	KR	Jovilisi C
K/1R	Daniel M	1M	Alyssa P
1S	Maddison L	2S	Yousef N
2/3N	-	3/4H	Tavian L
3/4I	Isaac M	4/5H	Tamara N
5/6D	Alex W	5/6K	Aaliyah A

Term 3 Week 6			
KI	Kiannah D	KR	Emilija D
K/1R	Amelia B	1M	Emil D
1S	Jaydon W	2S	Gabriel J
2/3N	Hailey Jade B	3/4H	Misha S
3/4I	Ethan M	4/5H	Sha-Rae H
5/6D	-	5/6K	Sandra D



SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3					
6	21st August S2 Goat Island Excursion	22nd August Community Mulching day	23rd August 9am – Com Group Dance Fever Dance	24th August 2pm 2/3N Assembly	25th August
7	28th August	29th August S3 – Wanderers Cup Blacktown Football Park	30th August 9am – Com Group Dance Fever Dance	31st August 2pm 5/6K Assembly	1st September BOOK FAIR 8.30am Father's day Breakfast
8	4th September BOOK FAIR P & C Meeting 2pm Community Room BOOK PARADE	5th September BOOK FAIR Premiers Spelling Bee Regional Final Zone Athletics Carnival	6th September BOOK FAIR 9am – Com Group Dance Fever Dance Yr1 Excursion to Vaucluse House	7th September 2pm Whole School Assembly	8th September 9.30am - Kindergarten 2018 Super hero Day 5pm P & C Disco
9	11th September	12th September	13th September 9am – Com Group Dance Fever Dance	14th September YR 6 FUN DAY	15th September ES1 Healthy Picnic Dance Fever Dance Comp Homebush
10	18th September	19th September Public Speaking Competition	20th September Dance Fever Dance	21st September	22nd September Last day of term. 2S & 2/3N Excursion to Vaucluse House



Doonside Public Schools

80th Anniversary Fete!

Come along to enjoy the rides... ENJOY A YUMMY TREAT... Friday 22nd September, 2017
2.30pm – 6.30pm



BBQ!



Lolly Bags!



Face Painting!

Unlimited Ride Band
Prior to event \$20.00
On the day \$25.00
Or \$5 per ride