

## Newsletter Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2018

### Upcoming Events:

#### **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August**

Tennis for Primary class

#### **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August**

Chess Team competing in Singleton

#### **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September**

Book Day!

#### **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September**

Tennis for Primary class

#### **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September**

Tennis for Primary class  
40 Days of Reading ends  
Last Day Term 3

In Japanese this week the Primary class learnt about the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, which happened on August 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, 1945, in the Second World War. We heard the story of a survivor of the bombing of Hiroshima.

Each year in Hiroshima on August 6<sup>th</sup> a Peace Memorial ceremony is held, remembering those who died in war, and promoting peace.

The class discussed what peace is, and what we can do at school and in our community to help create a culture of peace.

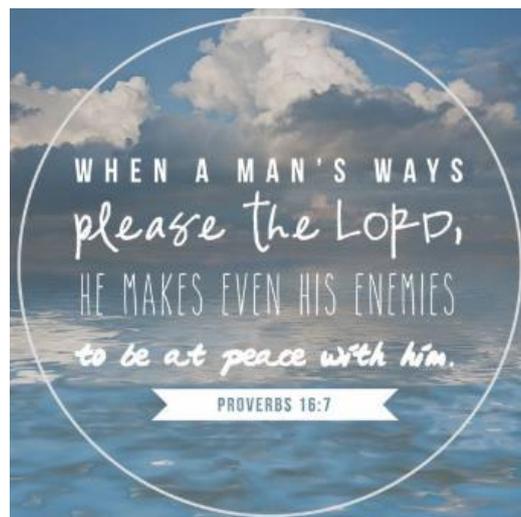


By Bella



By Orlando

The students created artworks portraying a peaceful scene to one destroyed by the effects of war.



new places and learn amazing things.

### **40 Days of Reading**

On Monday we began 40 days of Reading for 2018. Children are encouraged and challenged to try and read for 40 days. This year's theme is Find Your Treasure.

There is so much treasure in reading. Through reading we can go on exciting adventures, be intrigued by great mysteries, be immersed in captivating dramas, discover

Students have been given a chart to record the books they have read. Students in Kindergarten to Year 2 can also record books that are read to them during this time. All types of books can be read and

recorded on the chart, including home readers, library books, books from home, comics and eBooks. Students should strive to read books appropriate for their ability. Older students will not progress in the reading if they read books that are too easy for them. Likewise, younger students will struggle if they try to read books that are too difficult for them.

As students complete sections of the chart they will receive an award based on how many books they have read. The awards are:

Message in a Bottle  
Silver Dollar  
Gold Bar  
Gemstone Crown

Children really will find their treasure through reading. The 40 days of Reading will finish on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **Library**

Library lessons are held each Monday. Students are able to borrow books from the library. To borrow books from the library students need to bring a library bag to school. This helps protect the library books.

The school library is one great place to find books to read for 40 Days of Reading!

### **Book Day**

One of the highlights of Term Three is our Book Day. This year Book Day will be held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> of September. Students can come to school dressed as a character from a book. During the assembly all the students will be able to take part in a costume parade and tell us who they have come dressed as. We will be holding a special Book Day assembly on this day, as well as other book related activities throughout the course of the day.

### **Zone Athletics**

Congratulations to Mitchell and Declan, who represented the school at the Zone Athletics Carnival in Newcastle on Tuesday. They competed against other students from across the Hunter, Central Coast and New England regions.

Both boys performed well and competed fairly, and represented the school well.

### **Primary News**

The primary class will be having their first tennis lesson of the term next Friday. The students will be coached by Brad Westgate, who is a qualified tennis coach through Tennis Australia.

The tennis lessons will be held at the tennis courts near the Muswellbrook Pool. This will allow the students more playing time as there are more tennis courts. We will walk to the tennis courts after recess, and return by lunch.

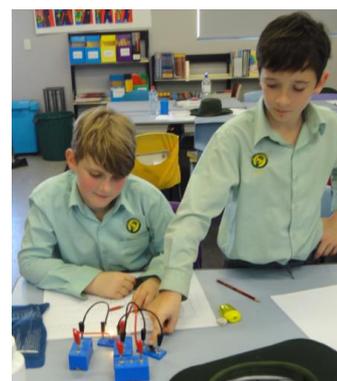
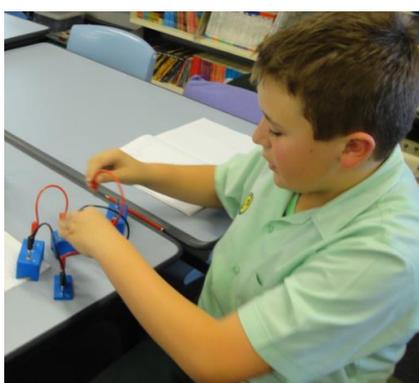
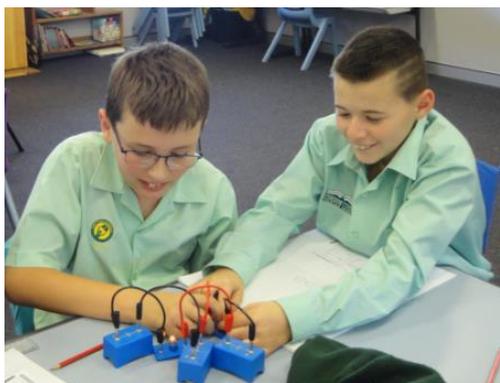
If your child has a tennis racquet they may bring it on Friday, but Brad Westgate does have racquets for the students to use.

The Primary class have the privilege of learning about photography with Mrs Dugan this term. This week they had fun using the settings to explore exposure on the camera when photographing still life. We look forward to the photographs they will be submitting for the Muswellbrook Art Prize People's Choice awards later in the term.



This term in Science the Primary class are learning about electricity. They will learn about what electricity is, as well as the uses and dangers of electricity.

This week the students learnt about creating circuits. They enjoyed creating circuits with lights and switches.



### Infants News

The K-2 class had some very cute visitors this week. The Knight family brought in two goat kids from their farm...no kidding! The students enjoyed taking turns feeding and patting Dolly and Molly. Thank you to the Knight family for this special treat.



K-2 have been revisiting 3D objects the last few weeks. Kindergarten enjoyed making 3D objects out of playdough with Mrs Botha.

K-2 learned about diamante poems in writing this week. This involves using two opposite topics to create a poem in the shape of a diamond.

Cats  
Cute Soft  
Sleeping Playing Scratching  
Paws Whiskers...Tail Teeth  
Digging Eating Playing  
Cute Happy  
Dogs

By Brooklyn and India



The K-2 class have enjoyed creating chameleons in Art over the last few weeks. They were inspired by the book 'The Mixed-Up Chameleon' by Eric Carle.



By Kenzie



By Olivia



By Summer



By April

### **Canberra Excursion**

The students in the Primary class were given notes about the excursion to Canberra. The excursion will take place from November 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>. Notes should be returned by the end of this term, and the excursion paid for November 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **Merit Certificates**

Kenzie	Neat writing in her spelling bookwork
Lucas	A great start to his home reading.
Aby	A great start to her home reading.
Zanel	Working hard in class
April	Speaking with good volume in news.
India	Good work in home reading.
Calen	A good effort in group reading.
Summer	Good work in the split strategy.
Levi	Writing good sentences in spelling.
Brooklyn	A good understanding of the split strategy.
Olivia	Great, confident reading in reading groups.
Bella	Great fluent reading.
W	Excellent work in subtraction
Orlando	Good application of photography techniques.
Riley	Fluent reading
Bradley	Working well in groups
Mitchell	Good application of photography techniques.

### **Please do not bring egg, nut or seafood products into Pacific Brook Christian School**



Anaphylaxis is a potentially life threatening condition where sufferers are susceptible to severe allergic reaction to certain foods and other things in the environment. Since the safety of the children in our care is of the utmost importance, Pacific Brook Christian School aims to be an egg, nut and seafood free school. As such, please do not send any foods to school containing these items. Please see the website for more information about alternatives to popular foods and recipes.

Thank you for your assistance in helping keep all our students healthy and safe.