**Message from the Principal**

**Term 2**

We are nearly at the halfway point of Term 2 and the students have been working really hard at school and producing some fantastic work. Semester 1 report cards will be sent home at the end of Week 9 and parent/teacher interviews will be conducted on Tuesday 23rd June, which is in the last week of term. If you have any concerns regarding your child’s progress at school, please ensure you make an appointment to meet with your child’s classroom teacher.

**Show Visit**

Infants’ students and students in the support classes enjoyed the opportunity to visit the Dubbo show last Friday, under the supervision of school staff. Students enjoyed the opportunity to visit the circus, meet the farmyard animals and check out the stalls prior to visiting with families over the weekend. Student behaviour was exemplary and all students represented the school with pride.

**PBL Whole School Reward**

Last Friday afternoon the students were rewarded with a whole school PBL reward of a disco during the school day. Infants’ students attended from 12:00 – 1:00pm and Primary students from 2:25 – 3:25pm. This reward was earned by filling up the PBL win bin ticket box located outside the planning room with win bins received by students in the playground, and the reward was selected by Class Captains for Term 2. Well done everyone!

**Support Class Assembly**

I hope to see a big turnout of parents at this week’s assembly as it is hosted by our 3 support classes. The classes have been working very hard in preparation for the assembly and I know the students are looking forward to performing on stage for family and friends.

**NAPLAN Testing**

These tests are over for another year, and the students all tried their best and completed the tests under teacher supervision last week. Some students completed tests later in the week if they were absent and the results of these tests will be received by the school and sent home later in the year.

Have a great week.

Toby Morgan Principal


News From the Library

Learning with Lego
This week in the library Stage 1 classes began a series of lessons to build their skills in creative thinking and collaboration. Each student used their own set of Lego to explore and create with a limited selection of bricks and mini figures. Students were encouraged to discuss whilst they built and shared their discoveries with the class.

Future lessons will see the students use Lego to design and make models covering concepts in Science, Maths and HSIE.

Book Club
Orders for book club should come home this week. Thank to the families who support the school in the program - the benefits are two fold with children's love of reading being fostered and extra resources being available to the school.

Don't Forget - if you would like the opportunity to have the author Emily Rodda visit our school, submit 25 words or less telling why. Entries to Mrs. O'Reilly by the end of term so the competition can be entered on behalf of the school.

Mrs O'Reilly

Supa Breakfast
Breakfast is on Tuesday mornings, in the Planning Room, from 8.30am to 9am. Have breakfast & share some “good news” stories.

Students of the Week
Term 2 Week 4

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Artwork of the Week

Well Done!
Janessa McDougall
3/4B
(Bella the dog)
and
Marshrir Towers
3/4L
(fantastic spider)

Out of Uniform Day
Thursday 21st May
Cost $1
“Favourite Football Colours”
Responsible  Safe  Respectful

**Whole School Assembly**

Congratulations to the new Students of the Week *(above left)* & Johnathan Triplett for receiving his Merit Certificate. *(below left)*

Well done to the amazing Dominic Quarman & Jessica Woods who are the first to complete their Premier’s Reading Challenge! Enjoy your Readings Cinema Gift Card. *(above right)*

Good work to Dakota Willmot for becoming Library Monitor of the Week. *(right)*

**Infants students visit The Dubbo Show!!**
Speech Sound Pics Program
Levelled Readers

The SSP program does not promote the use of levelled readers as they bypass the ‘learning to code’ phase (SSP Phase 2). What happens, when there is a picture and the code is too advanced is that the child no longer really focuses on the text anyway – they guess from previous information, and use the image. Students cannot comprehend what they cannot rapidly code, as they lose fluency.

You can turn a child off reading for life by using levelled readers as their brains are not wired to crack the code in those readers. It is vital that home readers reinforce their ‘code mapping/phonics’ learning at school. If, however, your child does come home with a levelled reader that is beyond their code level use them for paired decoding (i.e. you are the one following the sounds - you say - s /i /t and your child blends the sounds to say the word ‘sit’ as they point to it).

PBL NEWS
The focus this week is
Respectful
Speak politely to everyone