**Radical Reader**

**Name:** Stacey  
**Class:** Girawaa

Our radical reader of the week is Stacey Lyons.

He has worked really hard for the past 10 weeks and has improved 8 levels.

Stacey is starting to read with much improved fluency and expression, especially if he is making the sounds that Little Chimp or Bingo like to make. When asked what he likes about reading, Stacey said "I love reading about dogs and I want to become a good reader".

**Well done Stacey!**

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**School Camp Next Wednesday/Thursday/Friday**

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**At a Glance…**

**Term 2**  
**Weeks 9&10**

**Monday 16/06/14**  
Homework club

**Tuesday 17/06/14**  
Netball Gala Day

**Wednesday 18/06/14**  
School camp begins

**Thursday 19/06/14**  
2/3 Excursion

**Friday 20/06/14**  
Last day of sport

**Wednesday 25/06/14**  
Naidoc Day celebrations

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**TWO SICK FOR SCHOOL**

School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser [www.bit.ly/1hytn2E](http://www.bit.ly/1hytn2E)
Dear Parents and Carers,

Where has the term gone? I can’t believe that we only have a couple of weeks until school holidays. The great news is that we still have 2 weeks to go and these will be jam-packed with amazing school and cultural events as well as meaningful, relevant and purposeful learning opportunities for our students.

**NAIDOC Day Celebrations**

By now, all parents should have received an invitation to attend our school NAIDOC assembly, morning tea and cultural activities on Wednesday 25th June. We would love to see every single parent here on the day so please see Rhonda in the front office if you’ve not received an Invitation in the mail.

Because we’ll be catering for the event, we’ll need confirmation of your attendance as soon as possible please. Again, if you could let Rhonda know in the office how many of your family and friends are attending or contact our P&C President, Kellie Tonnet via Facebook. Thank you to everyone – we are looking forward to celebrating this special event with our community.

**Year 4/5/6 Camp**

Next week, our students in Years 4, 5 and 6 will be attending the Great Aussie Bush Camp. If there are any issues at all in obtaining the correct equipment required for camp or in making final payments, please don’t hesitate to make an appointment to see me. We will help where we can.

For students in Years 2 and 3, Aunty Selina and myself will be organising a special excursion next Thursday 19th June. Notes will be sent home tomorrow, please look for these in your child’s bag.

**Safety at School**

The safety of our students (your children) is our primary concern. Recently, we have been looking at our policies and investigating ways to ensure that the pick-up and drop off point for children in the afternoon is as safe as it possibly can be.

One of the measures we’re introducing is the placement of a teacher on duty at the zebra crossing in the afternoon to ensure that students are not running across the street without caution. We ask that you support us please by not parking across the road and calling your children to the car. We need everyone to be using the zebra crossing so that everyone is supervised and safe. Thank you.

**Enrolment for 2015**

If you are aware of any community members who would like to enrol their children for the 2015 school year can you please ask them to contact me or provide me with their contact details so I can do likewise. I would very much like the opportunity to speak with prospective parents so that I can sell the great news of our talented students, amazing staff and wonderful programs.
Often parents make decisions about where to send their children to school without having a tour, speaking with the principal and seeing if the school is the right fit for their child and family. They often wait as well – we are open for the enrolment of students every day that the school is open. I hope that you'll spread the good word throughout the community on our behalf. Thank you in advance.

**Parent Morning Tea**

Do you want to know more about how to help your child at home with Maths? Does maths confuse you?

Next Thursday, 19th June at 10:00am we will be having a parent morning tea to talk about Maths and the simple things you can do at home to support your child in achieving outcomes. The morning tea will be hosted by Dr Monica Wong who has been running the maths extension program in conjunction with one of our teachers, Mrs Beverley Park. Please come along, bring your friends and family and enjoy the morning with us. We look forward to spending this time with you.

**Reminders**

* Mid-year reports will be sent home to parents on Monday 23rd June 2014.
* If you need uniforms, jumpers etc. please see Kellie Tonnet in the canteen. We are also selling umbrellas, for those wet weather days. New stock has just arrived!
* Kellie also has pencil cases full to the brim with pencils, rubber, glu-stick etc. for sale at $5. This is a very reasonable price – please take advantage while stock lasts!

I thank you for your ongoing support of our fantastic school. Please take care of your family, especially as we head into Winter where all of our health is at risk because of colds and flu.

Until next time.

Dace Elletson
Principal

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**Girawaa**

Girawaa have started learning about measurement in maths. They used buckets, jars and cups and measured what could hold more water in them. They have expanded their vocabulary by using the words more and less than when talking about measurement. We decided to use ingredients to practise our measuring. We made pancakes and honey joys in the kitchen.
Students were inspired by **MC Esher** to use what they have been studying about the use of shadow and shading to show depth and contrast, to produce these stunning artworks. They are on all the wall outside the staffroom keeping an eye on us.

**Maths Investigations**

The Burri Burri class has been working on many different maths investigations this year. Recently, the class have completed one titled ‘Happy Hippos’ where they had to plan and design an Australian Safari Park and care for the welfare of all the animals living there. During the completion of the task students had to increase the understanding of many different areas of mathematics such as problem solving, area, scale, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, time, decimals and fractions. The students had 4 hectares of land to divide up between the animals fairly, created timetables for the zoo keepers to care for animals and organised the feeding of all their animals.

Here is some of the students work.