The school term is rapidly drawing to a close but teaching and learning still remain a priority for our students. There are many events that occur at the end of the school year and these can take a lot of time to organise. The staff at the school show great commitment to the wellbeing of the children and all the staff at the school show great care and concern for the children as well.

This week I asked the staff to supply me with a list of all the extracurricular things that took place in 2015 and it is a very impressive list. Here is a summary of some of the main programs and events that occurred in 2015:

- Swimming scheme
- Jump Rope for Heart/Dubbo camp/Skipping
- Bondi Showcase
- Mentoring with Kids Hope
- Music and drama programs
- Seeds to success
- School garden project
- Extension maths classes
- Excursion to the Powerhouse Museum and the Australian Museum
- Sculpture by the Sea
- NRL Anti-bullying and Sports clinic
- Daily breakfast club

The school asks parents to make small contributions for some of these events as they can be expensive things to run. Many of the programs that we offer can only go ahead through the generous support of our community volunteers. They give up their own time to come to the school and work with the children and I would like to thank them for the great work and support they gave to the school this year.

We held a P&C AGM and I’d like to thank the parents who came along. We need at least FIVE people to be part of the P&C so please come along to the first meeting in 2016.

The presentation night is coming up soon so I look forward to seeing you all then.

Thanks.

Adrian Robinson.

The school is continuing its focus on positive behaviours and I talk to the students about the ‘Four Golden Rules’ and how we need to behave at school.

Our Golden rules are:
- Right place right time
- Treat everyone with courtesy and respect
- Work and play in a safe way
- Listen and follow instructions.

CALENDAR

- Tuesday 1/12/15: RSPCA Talk 2.00pm
- Wednesday 2/12/15: Meet the Professor Day
- Thursday 3/12/15: Presentation Night
- Tuesday 8/12/15: Variety Club Xmas Party
- Wednesday 9/12/15: Year 6 Farewell 6pm
- Tuesday 15/12/15: School Picnic
- Wednesday 16/12/15: LAST DAY OF TERM 4

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK—Weeks 7and 8
This fortnight’s “Bondi Pizza” voucher is for “Excelling at Maths”.
Congratulations to Jamie and Jayden!

Oz Harvest
Oz Harvest are an organisation that donate food to families.
They are currently donating food on Wednesday mornings at:
49 Forsyth Street
Belmore NSW
Email: info@ozharvest.org for more information

Optometrist Visit to La Perouse
The Brian Holden Vision Institute Optometrist will visit La Perouse Aboriginal Community Centre on Friday 27th November
Girawaa

This week we have been learning all about time. We have learnt that when the long hand is at the 12 it means “o’clock” and if the long hand is at the 6 it means “half past”. We have been doing puzzles to help them with their problem solving skills.

NO HAT NO PLAY

As the weather is warming up our school policy will be implemented strongly. If a student doesn’t have a hat they will have to sit in the shade and not play.

Hats are on sale from the school office for $10.00 each. Please see Rhonda or Mary.
**Burri Burri**

The Burri Burri Class have been working with Uncle Peter Cooley in our Bush Tucker Garden learning about native Australian plants. The students have been improving their public speaking skills by giving tours of the garden. The eventual plan is to invite people from the community into our school to teach them about the native Australian plants we have and how they are used by Aboriginal people.

We have Bottle Brush, Grass Tree, Dianella, Pigface, Lomandra and Gymea Lily.

**Canteen**

Every Thursday the canteen will be holding “$5 Combo” days to raise money for our end of year school picnic which will be held on Tuesday 15th December, 2015.

A menu will be sent home each week with the children.

Thank you for your support.
Magadaang

Magadaang’s numeracy investigation has been all about position! We have been learning our compass points, left and right and ¼ and ½ turns. We created maps of the school with grid references and included a key. Then we were given directions and went on a treasure hunt!

Maths Extension Program Celebration

Students and families came together on Tuesday afternoon to enjoy a BBQ and celebrate the finish of the Extension Maths program for 2015. Congratulations to all the students for their effort and dedication to their learning. Thank you to Dr Wong and the Australian Catholic University for sponsoring the program and providing the volunteer tutors.

We are pleased to be able to advise that the program will run again in 2016.
You are invited to
Kool Kids Christmas Party 2015!

We would love for you to come to the Kool Kids Christmas Party! Please bring family & friends who know the Kool Kids.

This party is to celebrate a great year and support the kids achievements and talents and for us as a community to come together to support them!

We look forward to seeing you

Tuesday
8th of DECEMBER 2015

3.30pm — PARTY STARTS! ☺

3.30pm — Beach fun and games

4.20pm — water games near BBQ

4.50pm — BBQ

5.00pm — Santa and Santa Race, Each Kool Kid gets a special gift

5.30pm — PARTY ENDS ☺

DETAILS
Venue: Bi Centennial Park
Yarra Bay

Contact:
Lucy: 0420 531 699
Job Club for Parents and Carers
An initiative of the Junction Neighbourhood Centre

Are you looking for help with...

- Resume writing
- Interview skills
- Job searching skills
- Professional etiquette
- Career advice

Join us at the Job Club, facilitated by Amanda Hubbard, Career Coach and Principal of Excel Career Specialists.

The Club runs on Fridays, by appointment only, from 1030-1130am at The Junction Neighbourhood Centre, 669-673 Anzac Parade Maroubra. Please call for bookings.

Dates for Term 4, 2015:
6, 23, 30 October, 6, 13, 20, 27 November, 4 December

Please contact Family Programs at the Junction Neighbourhood Centre on 9349 8200 or familysupport@jnc.org.au if you are interested.
KidsXpress
Program Information

The KidsXpress Program and your school
The KidsXpress Program allows kids to access the therapeutic benefits of music, art, drama and play to enhance their emotional well-being—focusing on safety, awareness, reflection and integration to develop resilience, self-regulation and good mental health.

The KidsXpress Program is facilitated in a suitable space within the school environment or at our centre at Moore Park, consisting of 10 sessions held over the course of a school term. Conducted in a small group of 6 children, with 3 qualified and experienced therapists per group.

Why Expressive Therapy?
Creativity and play are the tools a child first uses in order to learn about themselves and their world.

By using music, art, drama and play we bring children's stories and emotions to life, allowing them to gain a better understanding of what's going on in their life and explore new ways of viewing and coping with their experiences. No matter how big or small, building better relationships with themselves and others.

Expressive therapies give children the experience of doing, making, and creating. This can help calm, energize, redirect attention and focus and alleviate emotional stress.

Expressive therapies promote active participation and are sensory in nature, helping children to engage their imaginations, minds and bodies, to problem solve and express themselves without the boundaries imposed by words.

Explaining KidsXpress to a child
It's a program where you get to use music, art, drama and play to talk and learn about yourself, your friendships and relationships, feelings, and how to deal with things happening in your life.

It's different to school, as the KidsXpress therapists won't be teaching you singing, drawing or acting. Instead you'll do these things to express yourself and your feelings—even those feelings that are hard to express in words.

It's lots of fun!

Research and Feedback
- To validate the program's efficacy and to gain valuable feedback we require parents/carers and school professionals to participate in an evaluation process during and after the program.
- At the completion of the program, parents/carers and the school will receive a summary of the child's participation in the program, and any recommendations.

To learn more about KidsXpress, visit our website—www.kidsxpress.org.au or phone (02) 9880 4251.

Expressive therapy for children.
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR “HIPPY” GRADUATES

FAMILY FUN DAY
3-6PM
11TH DECEMBER

Memorial Park
Duffy’s Corner Matraville

Free Food
Rides * Tattoos
Inflatable Pony Hoppers
Garden Info * Shows
Magic Show
Give-aways