Wednesday, 26th July 2017

Dear Families

NEWSLETTER – Week 2, Term 3

National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)

The NDIS wants people under 65 who have a disability to be able to;

- lead an ordinary life
- reach their goals in life

The NDIS employ Local Area Coordinators to help families develop a plan that best suits the needs of their child and family. Local Area Coordinators can help you find;

- activities in the community
- support services anyone can use

For more information go to the NDIS website <u>www.ndis.gov.au</u> or call 1800 800 110, Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

Spotlight on Room 4

Last term the students from Room 4 studied *informational texts* and practised their functional numeracy skills that they use and practise in everyday life.



Birthday wishes

Lissy Fox celebrated her 15th birthday last Saturday and Ally Whelan (below left) celebrated her 17th birthday on Monday. Happy birthday ladies!



Canadian visitor

Last Friday Will Dowe who is currently relieving Deputy Principal at Gunnedah PS brought his Canadian counterpart, Julie Choinard to visit our school Julie was suitably impressed with our students and facilities and is pictured above right with Will Dowe, Brandan and students room Room 1.

Education Week activities

Next week we have a few things planned. Each class will be hopping on our bus and hand delivering 'certificates of appreciation' to all the businesses that supported our fundraiser and thanking them. This is a great opportunity to showcase our students' communication, reading and social skills.

Amy Willis will be volunteering her time all day on Wednesday, 2nd August to teach each class about cake decorating. She will be supplying all the materials and cupcakes while the students get to experiment and eat their results. On Friday (4th August) afternoon at 2:30pm we will be holding a special afternoon tea for our volunteers to thank them for their ongoing commitment to our school.

Science with Room 5

Students in Room 5 have been learning about 'forces and motion' during their science lessons with Emma Christie. They are also having a lot of fun during the practical activities!



DATES

AECG meeting – 27th July, 4pm at GS Kidd School

RDA – Friday, 28th July

'Growing Strong Minds', free family workshop – Tuesday 1st August at St Xavier's PS hall, 6 – 7pm

Education week – 31st July – 4th August

Small schools athletics carnival -3^{rd} August (K -6)

African Experience with Ms Teri – 9th August

Life Education Van visit – 24th August

Golf day – Sunday 17th September

Dance eisteddfod - 22 - 24th September

Sporting Schools – Tennis 27th July – 14th September

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STAR OF THE WEEK



Aidan Ellery – increasing literacy and story writing skills