What a terrific but busy start we have had to our final term of the year.

School photos - School photos started our term off and I did get to see some of these taken. From what I saw, they should come up a treat. We had a couple of students miss out on the day, but we will be catching them up next week. If you have not ordered and still want to do so, please order on line with the number order provided on the photo envelope or have money to the school by 22
d October. This will be the final opportunity.

T-ball - We participated in T-ball held at Cowra High last Friday. I have heard great reports from the day. It looks that we have some fantastic competitors amongst us. I am very proud to the students that gave their all for the whole day and also those that stepped outside their comfort zone and tried their hand at an innings. I was also happy that the relationship that we have with the unit at Cowra High came into play again and we were able to join in with a high school to form one of our teams, strengthening our friendships. Congratulations to Ms St Clair and her team on delivering a successful event again this year, we look forward to next year.

Excursion - At the end of last term our Goanna’s and Kangaroo’s went on their excursion to Canberra. What an awesome time we had! Next week, our Emu’s and Wombat’s will go on their excursion also to Canberra. I’m sure that a fantastic time will be had by all. Thank you to the P&C that have paid for each student in the school to attend an excursion each free of cost.

Dream Cricket - We have been contacted by the good folk of Dream Cricket again this year. The day will be held on the 7th November. This is always an event that students look forward to and I’m sure this year will be no different.

Cheers, Kylie

CONGRATULATIONS to our PBL student of the week recipient:

Week 2 Tori Lee White
KANGAROOS

Hello and welcome to the last term for 2014.

Kangaroos have already begun a new Science topic with Miss Brooke on electricity. Students have completed an experiment and made posters of what things do and don’t require electricity. For history and arts we are doing a range of activities based on Egypt. Bradley in particular brings a great wealth of knowledge to this topic and students are aware of Egypt through TV and movies. This week we looked at what food Egyptians ate and The Sphinx. Jakayla and Mathew did a wonderful drawing of The Sphinx including sun hat as it is out in the sun every day.

During literacy Mathew, Brad and Tristan have been working on comprehension and narratives. Tori Lee, JK and Jennifer continue to build their vocabulary through various activities. Jakayla, Mathew and Brad are being encouraged to build word knowledge through spelling lists and decoding skills.

Last week we attended RDA where Tori Lee, Tristan and Mathew continue to develop their riding skills. Brad, Jennifer, Jakayla, Mathew and Tori Lee were part of the T-ball carnival at Cowra High with special mention to Tori Lee and Jakayla for their great play. All students tried really hard in the hot conditions and never gave up over the 5 games that were played.

Mr Bryson, Michelle and Nat.

GOANNAS

Hi everyone,

I can’t believe we have already been back for 2 weeks! If that is any indication of how the term is going to go, Christmas will be here before we know it! The Goanna’s have jumped straight back into work this term with a new set of spelling words, comprehension tasks and various other literacy activities.

This semester in HSIE we will be focusing on a variety of topics including environmental, political and social issues, using BTN as our base source. The Goanna’s find the program highly engaging and are open to discuss the topics that are shown on the program each week. From this, we will be completing a range of activities such as debates and posters, which all links in with our literacy and numeracy units.

In numeracy, we will continue to work on our multiplication skills, and apply these to division and long addition. We are hoping to investigate Australian currency by the end of them term, and use these skills to aid the students financial literacy understanding.

For personal development, health and physical education (PDHPE) we will be working on our cricket skills leading up to a cricket carnival in November, then continue on with swimming until the end of the term.

We look forward to another wonderful term in the Goanna’s classroom, and as always it is so wonderful to see all the students eager to learn and grow across all academic boards.

Mrs Bell and Ruth
**WOMBATS**

Hi everyone and welcome back to term 4. This is going to be a very busy term for the Wombat class.

Our last day of term was a very exciting day out in Orange at Ten Pin Bowling followed by lunch at Hungry Jacks. Mathew and Blaide were great at knocking the pins down. Zahli and Jessica did well at learning to use the ball. While Willow enjoyed the whole day out with the Emu’s.

This term in HSIE and Science our class is learning about under the sea. To follow up with this the class have a planned excursion. Next Friday all the students are looking forward to the joint excursion the Canberra’s National Zoo and Aquarium. Just a reminder the bus will be leaving at 7am sharp and returning at 3pm.

All the students are looking forward to feeding the animals. This will be in a very controlled manner.

In maths the last two weeks the students have been learning about the Hungry Caterpillar—counting all the food that the Caterpillar ate.

All students have been working very hard in English learning sounds and writing letters.

Allison, Brooke and Chris

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**EMUS**

Welcome back to term 4. We will have lots happening this term. Our end of year assembly, Christmas and the long break will be upon us before we know it.

The last day of last term saw the Emus travel to Orange with the Wombats for a fun day of ten pin bowling and a lunch outing. Our kids were very well behaved and represented the school proudly. It must have been a big day with many of the children having a well earned sleep on the bus trip home.

We ventured up to Cowra High School last week for a day of tee ball. We competed against schools from the central west in a round robin style tournament. It was great to see Austin join in and make a home run. Well done Austin. Jaydon and Codi did not stop all day and displayed great sportsmanship across the whole day.

Our trip to Canberra’s National Zoo and Aquarium is next week. The children are very excited about the excursion and can not wait to handle and feed some of the animals. Please remember to have your child at school by 6:50 to ensure we depart at 7:00. Plenty of food and drink for your child will be essential as well as a hat and sunscreen.

Shayne and Sue
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- Wombats and Emus excursion Next Friday 23rd October.
- Dream Cricket 7th November— for most students.
- End of year assembly Wednesday 17th December
- Last day of school for students 18th December