What an extremely busy end of term we have had!

Cowra Show: I am so pleased to say that we were very well represented at the Cowra show. Student making items in many areas from flowers, junior art, photography, biscuits decorating...the list goes on. Congratulation to those that put in the effort of entering and a big congratulation to all that came away with a prize as well. Excellent effort. I would also like to acknowledge the behaviour of the students that went across to the show as well. The behaviour of the majority was exemplary. It is terrific for community member to see our students doing the right thing and taking pride in themselves, the community and each other.

Dance: A lot of our students also took part in the disability dance workshop held at Carenne last Friday. Again, it gives me great pleasure when I hear that our students were wonderful participants especially when they are not only in a different environment but also participating in an activity that may not be a usual activity that they would partake in. I also believe that we also had some tv stars from the event!

Tea towel: Just a short reminder that the return date for the Holman Place 2014 tea towels is 10th October. The tea towels are an excellent gift idea or something to use at home. I apologise to the students that are not on them as we had a period of students coming in a leaving and the design pictures needed to be sent into the company for design.

School development day change: We have had to swap a SDD (school development day—or pupil free day) around as we have staff requiring the need of training in tube feeding. Instead of our students last day being on the 18th December they will finish on the 19th December BUT there will be a SDD on Monday 13th October and students will not attend school on this day. I apologise in advance for any inconvenience this may cause but we do need to do the training to meet the needs of our students.

School photos: Tuesday 7th October (THE FIRST DAY OF NEXT TERM) is the day that we are having our school photos taken. Could I please ask that ALL student wear either their new school shirts or tunic for the photos. Please find attached an order form attached.

I hope that you have a wonderful break and we look forward to a busy and productive term 4.

Kylie

CONGRATULATIONS to our PBL student of the week recipients:

- Week 8 Zahli Cook
- Week 9: Codi White

- Kangaroo’s and Goanna’s excursions to Canberra—18th September
- Emu’s and Wombat’s excursion to Orange 19th September
- School Development day Monday 13th October - in lieu of Thursday 18th December
- Tea towel orders and money due 10th October
KANGAROOS

Hi everyone!

Last week students finally had their day at the Cowra Show. Kangaroos class won first place in the art section with the Toucan that was part of our South American studies. Michelle had all the students involved using a range of bright colours to create a poster size Toucan. In the model section Mathew won first place with his meccano buggy and Bradley and Tristan displayed their motor bike and helicopter. Jakayla, Jennifer, Tori Lee and J.K made wonderful frame flower art works which received highly commended awards. During the day students watched the pig races, motor bikes and had a ball climbing the rope walkway.

Last Friday we attended a Dance Workshop at Bathurst with a number of other schools. Mathew, Tori Lee and J.K were standouts in their enthusiasm on the day and particularly enjoyed the free play that saw their creative flair using a number of different materials.

On Thursday we will be heading to Canberra to visit the Australian Mint and Floriade. This is a great reward for all students who have demonstrated greater responsibility during community access over Term 3.

Mr Bryson, Michelle and Nat.

GOANNAS

Hello everyone!

What an exciting end to term 3 we are having! In the Goanna’s classroom we have been busy finishing off units of work on the ocean, PBL, and in literacy and numeracy. Connor, Nash and Caleb have come along with their timetables through the use of song, games, study ladder activities, practice drilling and worksheets. Next term they are looking forward to learning about some of the harder tables and committing them to memory. Well done boys. In numeracy Grace, Amy, Meg and Malakye have been looking closely at two digit numbers and single digit addition. They are becoming very competent recognising the written numbers as well as their numerical digit.

All of the Goanna’s have loved doing our unit on the ocean, and this week have made an item in their portfolios on what they have enjoyed learning about the most! Hopefully they can fill you in about their favourite ocean animals and the incredible versatility they add to our world!

Of course, we have had some exciting community access trips this fortnight with more to come next week! Between our visit to the Cowra show, dancing in Bathurst, Floriade this week, RDA, shopping, library, PCYC and structured play at MacDonald's with have been very busy! We hope you have a wonderful holiday and come back refreshed in term 4!

Mrs Bell and Ruth
**WOMBATS**

Wow what a busy two weeks the Wombat class have had. All students have been making show art and decorating biscuits. They had lots of skill in building a whole class artwork, with lots of bright colours using felt and photographs. The students loved making the big crocodiles with sharp teeth, with Miss Brooke.

Our biscuits were very creative, each student made a bear in a bed, the theme was 10 in the bed. This is one of our favourite morning circle songs. Zahli and Jesicca loved making our Pom, Pom creatures, Blaide made his into an alien with three eye. We all look forward to seeing our things on display at the Cowra show.

In class we have been learning to count to 10. We have made buckets with the numbers 1 to 10 on them and are throwing bean bags into them, all students are getting very good at this.

In literacy we have been learning about the letters U and J. The students made wonderful umbrellas and cooked jelly.

At the end of term we look forward to our excursion to Ten Pin Bowling with Emus class to Orange, it will be a fun day out.

Allison, Brooke and Chris.

**EMUS**

This term has been fast to come and go and we have seen some great work from all of the Emus.

Today we have travelled down to Bathurst for our dance studio day, we will have more to tell you about the day in next terms news letter.

Congratulations to Codi for being nominated our PBL student of the week. Well done Codi.

Chloe took out the Crunch and Sip raffle prize and chose a Newcastle Knights hat as her prize (I’m sure she would have chose an Eels hat if we had one).

Our students displayed some great work at the show and should be congratulated on their efforts. Chloe was lucky enough to come away with a second place for her cartoon drawing of Sylvester and a highly commended for her Solar picture.

Below are the photos the students took and submitted for the show. The topic for the photos was, ‘Looking Up’.
A big welcome to our new casual teacher, Adrian Mielke who joined us last week. Adrian has many years experience in teaching.

Last week was huge! Lots of cooking, the Cowra Show and Friday’s trip to Bathurst for the Dance Workshop.