**Bus and Pool Trip**

- **Date:** 14th Nov
- **Place:** Budgewoi Library
- **Cost:** $5
- **Activities:** Swimming lessons, fun and healthy food options
- **Target:** Students
- **Payment:** $5 cash or through parents

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**Best Attendance**

Congratulations to Unit 1 who had 2 absences last week. Well done! Mrs Kerry Moore, Principal

**School News**

S3L News

Our Sizzling Starters

I hear a long and eerie screech like the sound of nails on a chalk board. Suddenly two great big eyes appeared from my head. Then in a flash they were gone!

The two eyes appear again. “I’ve got you now birdy” it says in a horrible tone.

The great beast dives in. I dive out dodging past him quickly then BAM!!! The great but very dumb beast is stuck inside my cage. Jordan A

Sweat is running down my cheek as I stand before my rival in the hot, humid sun. My coach stands across the field, giving me a small nod. THREE! TWO! ONE! The sharp sound of the whistle blows and a rush begins to grab the ball.

I duck and dive for the ball, this... is... IT!  The biggest moment of my soccer career and all I can think is... “Do not blow this”. Isabel Bang! Crash! Meow! Tweet! Tweet!

“Come here you tiny little fluff ball!  I’m not going to stop until you get into my mouth!”

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“No! No! Don’t do it! Our owners are going to be here soon.” 
Ding! Dong! Ding! Dong! The familiar sound of the doorbell.

“Quick they’re coming!”

“George! Come here right now!” Luke V

“BANG!” “CRASH!” A mighty creature over comes me with great strength and power, I hear my bones break under the pressure of this mighty creatures feet. Lochlan H

As I am walking home I hear a loud scream in the distance. I look around at trees on the ground, houses without rooves and cars under large heavy objects. I run to my house and see my mum and dad running out of the house. I look around at the pile of dirt where my house once was. Zoe R

WHOASH! BANG! CRASH! I stepped out onto wet green grass. ROARRRR! What was that? Uh-oh it’s a DINOSAUR!! I quickly turn around to my tiny grey time machine and checked the date, 300bc, “what have I done.” Jade R

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Year 6 Farewell Committee Meeting

Thank you to the parents who attended our Farewell committee meeting last Thursday. It is a very enthusiastic group! A job list will be sent out shortly to those parents who have offered to assist with either cooking or decorating, thank you very much.

Any other interested parents who are willing to assist on the day setting up the hall or with serving and packing up on the night, please contact Mrs Rich. Your help is always appreciated. Stage 3 Staff

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School App

Or School now has our own Skoolbag iPhone and Android App to help us communicate more effectively with our Parent/Student community. To install it, just search for our school name Budgewoi Public School in either the Apple App Store, Windows Phone, Windows Store or Google Play Store. Miss Atherton

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Frequent Reader 100 Club

Congratulations to the newest members of our Frequent Reader 100 club; Makaylee (2WB), Jayden S (2WB), Jimmy M (2M), Evain C (2SL), Jordan N (2J), Ebony R (2J), Kiesha N (2J) and Lilly C (2SB).

Congratulations to our newest 200 club members; Isabellia A (2M), Madisson H (2SL) and Harry R (2SL).

Their names will be displayed on the special Star Reader display board in the office. We hope to see some more readers join the club soon!

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School Banking

Advance notification – School Banking will finish for the year at school on Week 10. This is the second last week of term. If you are going to claim a prize it is suggested you claim by week 9 to receive your prize by the end of the school year. We will start banking again in week 2 in 2016.

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Canteen News

Senior shirts have now arrived. Place your no deposit lay-bys for next year now.

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Roster for week beginning 27th October 2015:

Tuesday 27/10/15 – Denise Wilson, Michelle Burgess
Wednesday 28/10/15 – Denise Heather, Jenny Leatham, Sue Walker
Thursday 29/10/15 – Vanessa Allan, Georgina Atkinson
Friday 30/10/15 – Madeline & Dale Clenton, Megan Lewis, Kristie Hermesen
Monday 31/10/15 – Alison Sutton, Pauline Iserief

Helpers, if for some reason you cannot attend, please contact Sophie early on 43992238. New volunteers are always welcome.

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Year 6 Farewell Committee Meeting

There will be quick parent committee meetings on Thursday 22nd October at 3pm and Thursday 26th November at 3pm in Mrs Lindsay’s Room. We will be forming our committee groups to discuss and plan the menu and decorations for the evening. All Year 6 parents welcome. Thanks, Stage 3 Staff

Northlakes High School Information Session

Attention: All Year 6 Parents/Caregivers

Come along and have an informal chat and find out more about what to expect in high school. Find out how to know what is happening in the school, how to read a timetable, and how to help your child be prepared!

WHERE: The AV Room, Budgewoi Public School
WHEN: Tuesday 27th October, 2015
TIME: 9.15am till 10.15am

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2017?

Entry to Government Selective High Schools for Year 7 entry in 2017 - Applications open 13th October, 2015.

Applications for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2017 will be open to parents of students in Year 5 from 13th October to 18th November 2015.

What are selective high schools?

Selective high schools cater for highly achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

How do I apply?

Applications will open on 13 October 2015 and will close on 16 November 2015. Parents must apply online at the following link: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement and should read the instructions carefully. You will register to receive a password and then log in to complete the application and submit it. Once you have successfully submitted your application you will receive an email with a copy of your application containing your child’s student number. You must quote this number

Key dates

Tuesday 13 October 2015 - Application website opens
Monday 16 November 2015 - Application website closes. Late applications will not be accepted
Thursday 25 February 2016 - Test authority letter sent by mail and email
Thursday 10 March 2016 - Selective High School Placement Test

Early July 2016 - Placement outcome information

Any interested parents, please complete the intention to apply form in the newsletter and return the slip to Mrs Rich.

Please return to Mrs Rich Intention to apply: Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2017

Student Name……………………………………

Class……………………………………

I am interested in applying for selective high school entry in 2017

Yes  No

Signature of Parent / carer

Note: This is a notice to the school that you intend to apply only. It is NOT an application. To apply you will need to register and then apply through the High performing Students application website.