Thank you
Thanks to Mrs Keats for doing a fantastic job as Relieving Principal for the last 3 weeks following the death of my mother and then a stint in hospital for an operation and recuperation. She was ably supported by the executive Mrs Rich, Mrs Ellen, Mrs Crook, Mr Edwards, Mrs Jones and Mrs Lindsay. It is great to know the school will function as normal while I was on leave.

Stage Three camp
It is a pleasure to report that the students were so well behaved at camp. Lots of fun was enjoyed by all and the teachers even managed some sleep! The students enjoyed a variety of activities including fencing, orienteering, high ropes, flying fox, canoeing, rock climbing, giant swing, archery and the infamous super drop. Each night there were activities to keep the students entertained including a county fair and games night. There is a huge amount of lost property left over, so if your child is missing an item of clothing, towel, sleeping bag, cutlery etc. please see the office. Special thanks to the teachers who gave up their time with their families to go to camp with the students – Mrs Seal, Mr Clifford, Mr Smith, Miss Martin who were there for the whole time and to Mrs Rich and Mrs Lindsay for going for part of the time.

Athletics Carnival
The Athletics carnival is on Thursday 13th August (Week 5). Students have been enthusiastically practising each event through their weekly sport lessons. If you have not already done so, please return permission and money by this Friday 7th August. If you are a Year 6 parent and available on the day, we would love more volunteers to assist in running the BBQ as part of our Year 6 Fundraiser.

Stage 3 Fundraiser
This Thursday 6th August, all students will be encouraged to wear their favourite sporting team colours for the day as part of our Year 6 fundraising. No coloured hair please and appropriate footwear is required (No football boots). Students wearing their favourite colour need to donate a gold coin.

Stage 3 Discovery Day
We are still waiting on some permission notes for our Year 5 and Year 6 Discovery Day. If you have not sent the permission slip back already, can you please do so by the end of this week. Year 6 will be visiting Northlakes HS on Friday 14th August (Week 5) and Year 5 will be visiting Northlakes HS on Friday 21st August (Week 6).

SCHOOL DEPARTURE: Free bus transport will be provided from Budgewoi Public School. Please arrive to school on time as buses will leave at 9:05am.

SCHOOL RETURN TIME: 1:30pm. Students will be back in time to catch buses.

Students are required to wear full school sports uniform. They will need to pack morning tea and drink. A sausage sizzle lunch will be provided. If your child does not wish to have this option, then they will need to bring their own lunch as canteen facilities will not be available.

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The Music Bus
The Music Bus will be visiting our school this Friday 7th August. Parent Info session – 8:30am- 9:00am - parents can visit the bus, meet the teacher and ask questions.
A full information sheet will be sent after 7th August. Please be aware that the Music Bus is an independent company and their activities are entirely separate from the school.

The students will be given an Expression of Interest form to take part in the weekly lessons. This will need to be returned to the school within 7 days of issue.

Woolworths Earn and Learn
This promotion is well underway so keep collecting! Ask your friends to collect for you if they can. Every $10 earns you a sticker and there are great resources which we can choose from at the end of the campaign. Look for the in store collection bin with our school logo on it at Woolworths Lakehaven or pop into the office at school to place your sticker cards in the bin in the foyer.

Coming events for Term 3
Thurs 6th Aug Footy colours day Year 6 fundraiser
Fri 7th Final date for payment Athletics Carnival
The Music Bus free visit
Tues 11th P & C meeting CEC 9.15am
Thurs 13th Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival
Fri 14th Year 6 Discovery day Northlakes HS
Final date for payment of Kinder Sense of Environment excursions
Thurs 20th KC & KL Sense of Environment excursion
Fri 21st KD & KE Sense of Environment excursion
Fri 21st Year 5 Discovery day Northlakes HS
Thurs 27th Yr 3 & 4 Careers through Science day
Fri 28th Wallarah Zone athletics carnival
Mon 31st Final date for Payment Unit 1 & 2 Civic theatre excursion
Thurs 3rd Sept Yr 3 & 4 Careers through Science day
Tues 8th Unit 1 & 2 Very Cranky Bear Theatre excursion
Wed 9th Final date for Payment Year 1 and 2 Roald Dahl theatre excursion
Thurs 10th Yr 3 & 4 Careers through Science day
Wed 16th Year 1 and 2 Roald Dahl theatre excursion
Thurs 17th Yr 3 & 4 Careers through Science day
Premiers Sporting Challenge leadership day
Fri 18th Last day of term 3

Congratulations to Privilege Badge winners
KC Mason, KD Dean, KL Rhys, KE Mitchel, 1K Riley, 1M Zoe, 1MC Paige, 1O Ellie, 2J Sienna, 2M Sienna, 2WB Monika, S2A Rowan, S2B Mackenna, S2C Jack, S2EV Ajay, S2J Slater, S2L Kieran, S3B KC, S3C Emily S, S3GP Carmen S3L Bailey, S3SW Braxton, Unit 1 Clinton, Unit 2 Lucas, Unit 3 Mitchell & Unit 4 Rhys.
Best Attendance
Congratulations to Unit 2 & Unit 3 who had 1 absence last week. Well done! Mrs Kerry Moore, Principal

School News

Frequent Reader 100 Club News
Congratulations to the newest members of our Frequent Reader 100 club: Jayde S (KD), Jayde N (KL), Sienna J (1MC), Lilly A (1M), Isabella A (1M), Zoe C (1M), Koby T (1M), Chelsea S (1M), Nakeisha V (S2C), Hayley C (S2C), Mackenzie F (S2C), Brayden A (S2C), Eden J (S3SW), Matilda G (S3SW), Adara B (S3SW), Bailey D (S3SW), Louise S (2J) & Amelia K (S2A).

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!

School Requests
When you send in notes or write names on your child’s clothing could you please make sure you include a first and last name? We are very low on small sized underwear and socks. If you have any spare clean items at home the school would appreciate the donation.

Class Item- Unit 2
This Term Unit 2 is learning about Australia. This week we have been busy writing a description of a Koala. Here are some of the descriptive sentences the students wrote:

Crystal: The koala is big.
Leasha: The koala is soft and fluffy.
Tianna: The koala is grey and white.

Stage 2 Civic Theatre Excursion
Stage 2 students and teachers thoroughly enjoyed the 26 Story Treehouse performance at the Civic Theatre. We were very proud of our students’ excellent behaviour and manners as they were outstanding representatives of our school. Fantastic effort Stage 2!

Stage 2 Teachers
Here are Elijah and Jack’s thoughts about the day.

On Monday 27th of July students in years 3 and 4 went to Civic Theatre in Newcastle to see the 26 Storey Tree house. It took an hour and a half to get there. At the show it was fantastic, there were lights and songs. My favourite part was when they found a cannon on the beach! There was a pirate named Captain Woodenhead who was determined to get payback on Andy and Terry for destroying his ship! Andy and Terry told us the story on how they met. I loved the day and I would love to do it again!

By Elijah Johnston S2C

On Monday the 27th of July Stage 2 went to see The Twenty-Six Storey Tree House. When we got there, we sat down on the ground in the court. But we got a little treat because the Blood Donor bus was taking up most of the space, we got to eat inside! When we finished eating, we went inside. It was so cool! When the play started, there were four main characters, Andy, Jill, Terry and Captain Wooden-Head. My favourite character was Cap’n Wooden Head because he was funny and made me laugh. I thought the play was fantastic! It was really good. After the play we left, got on the bus, and went back to school. By Jack S2C

Stage 3 Camp
Last week 3 some Stage 3 students were lucky enough to go to camp. We left at 10:30 and got to Morisset at 11:00. We put our bags into our cabins then got straight into an activity. There were many activities. Those activities included archery, super drop, canoeing, giant swing, rock climbing, high ropes, flying fox, fencing and orienteering. We also did activities during the night like County Fair and a games night including a disco. The camp staff were nice and the food was great. We really enjoyed our time at camp and have lots of fun memories from our time away. Thank you to the teachers who organised the camp and gave up their time to come with us. Flynn & Mat

School Banking
Please remember to complete the details of your deposit slip and the stub in you deposit book when banking.

Lost Property
Items of lost clothing are once again mounting in the Office area. Please label all your child’s clothing so we can efficiently return items. Likewise please ensure your child has the correct clothing when they return from school each day.

Canteen News
‘New’. Flexi Schools is a great way for parents/carers to pay for lunch orders online. A new menu with new pricing is going home today with the details on how to register. It’s quick and easy, so why not give it a try. Of course you can still order as you always have through the class basket. Flexi Schools will just be an additional option. The parents who have trialled it love it.

Roster for week beginning 4th August 2015:

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Helping your child with mental calculations
Most calculations that we carry out each day, we do in our heads. It is important for your child to learn to do mental calculations for things such as shopping, sharing costs, watching sport and even preparing dinner! What can you do at home to help your child learn this skill? Ask your child to work out how much change they will get when paying for an item at the shops. If your child is saving to buy an item, ask how much more money they will need to save before being able to buy it. Encourage your child to estimate the cost of two items when shopping. When playing games that use two dice, replace dot dice with ones that have numbers on them. If watching a game involving two teams, ask your child to work out the difference in the scores in their head. Involve your child in working out costs associated with holiday travel. For example, we will stay five nights and the cost per night is $70.

To: School Office

Kindergarten 2015
If your child or a friend or neighbour is eligible for enrolment please complete the following details or pass it on to them and return it to the office so that we can forward enrolment details.

Child’s name………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

Date of Birth………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Parent Name ………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Address ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Phone Number ………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Name of child at school to deliver information …………………………………………………………………....