**Calendar**

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**Head lice**

Unfortunately, there have been an increasing number of cases of students presenting with head lice. It is imperative that you are vigilant about treating your son or daughter’s hair. It is not a one off treatment; it should be a regular ongoing treatment. I appreciate how frustrating, annoying and at times expensive this treatment is but for the comfort of the students and to try and eliminate the louse then vigilant treatment really is the only way forward.

**School sores**

We have also had incidences of school sores reported to the school. School sores are extremely contagious and can only be treated with an antibiotic prescribed by a medical practitioner as well as having the sore covered.

**P&C Meeting**

The next P&C meeting will be held on **Monday 8th April at 3.10pm** in the Wallabies classroom, not Tuesday 2nd April as printed in last week’s newsletter. Sorry for any inconvenience this change may cause.
Bunnings Barbecue

Thank you to the amazing Broke P&C, the amazing number of fantastic helpers and my ever supportive staff for their assistance on Saturday at Singleton Bunnings to man the barbecue. Over $1300 was raised.

On Sunday, Kristy & Louise, decided to sell the leftover sausages outside the Broke fire shed almost $300 to add to the money raised on Saturday! Thank you, the winners are again the students my staff and I have the pleasure of teaching each and every day, your children.

Great Aussie Bush Camp

Our major excursion this year for students in years 3-6 will be to Great Aussie Bush Camp at Tea Gardens. The students will leave school on Wednesday 21st August and return Friday 23rd August. Mr Walsh and Miss Cunningham will attend this excursion. Places are limited. If you would like your son or daughter to attend please contact the school to add their name to the list of students attending.

Easter Hat Parade and Assembly

Hats need to be made at home and can be brought up prior to the parade or sent along in the morning. The assembly will precede the parade. The assembly will commence at 1:15pm.

Easter Scripture Service

Our annual Easter Scripture Service will be held at 9.15am Wednesday 27th March, 2013. Everyone is welcome to attend.

High School in 2014

Year 6 students must return their Expression of Interest forms to school by tomorrow.
Cross country
Important Information
Due to the Fernance property being a farm and has a creek and several dams, any children attending to spectate (non Broke PS students) must be closely and diligently supervised by their own parents.

The cross-country is to be held on Wednesday 27th March 2013 at the Fernance’s property on Broke Road.
The schedule for the afternoon is as follows: 1.15pm – Ring bell for early end of recess.
Parents and staff collect students and meet at Fernance property,
1.40-1.45pm – All students to walk track with Staff and parent helpers,
2.00-2.05pm – Races start,
2.30-2.40pm – Races finish and students leave with parents.
Thank you to all those who have offered to help. Your jobs will be to direct the students along the track.
**Bilbies**

Watch out Kindergarten mums and dads, the beginning of 13 years of homework is about to be unleashed on you! Homework will be sent home in a red folder each Monday and please return the folder each Thursday. The homework box is on a table inside the door if the children can put them there each time. The kindergarten students have been learning the ‘f’ sound and year 1 ‘cr’. The maths focus has continued to be multiplication and division as well as length. Year 1 should be able to show you how to make the two times tables using buttons. Kindergarten have been working on grouping numbers and sharing out groups equally.

*Mrs Nott*

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**Koalas**

In the Koalas class this week we have been investigating multiplication and division using concrete materials.

In PDHPE we have been looking at working together and enjoying games that encourage this.

Our writing focus is on Expositions and the students are beginning to create some excellent arguments.

*Keep up the great work!*

*Mr Walsh*
Wallabies
The students in the Wallabies class have been working on writing convincing expositions for the last few weeks. This week the students were asked to use the knowledge gained from writing and reading expositions to present a debate. The topic was dogs make good pets. The students were put into teams of 4 and had 20 minutes to write their speeches. The students did extremely well and demonstrated some outstanding debating skills.

The Wallabies class have also been working on lino printing with Mrs Langley. Although there have been a minor few injuries, the students have really enjoyed this unit and have produced some excellent results.

Miss Cunningham
Weekly Award Winners

Principals Awards

Bilbies
Nina Boticki for following instructions in art.

Koalas
Nickolai Williams for working very well during class activities.

Wallabies
Tyron Lawler for writing an interesting recount.

Student of the week

Bilbies
Arabella Blewitt for working hard during reading groups.

Koalas
Emily Worgan for consistently applying herself.

Wallabies
Jake Stampton for working consistently in reading groups.

Merit Awards

Bilbies
Ben Lambkin for great work in Maths groups.

Koalas
Justin Caban for trying hard to complete tasks.

Wallabies
Paige Pyne for always trying hard in Maths.

Playground Ethics Award

Rose Worgan for outstanding playground ethics.

Weekly Award Winners

Principals Awards

Bilbies
Emily Cooke for always working hard to improve her reading.

Koalas
Alex Stafa for being a fantastic role model.

Wallabies
Ruby Ede for always being a helpful and friendly member of the class.

Student of the week

Bilbies
Bodhi Nancarrow for always putting in a 100% effort with all tasks.

Koalas
Caitlin Tyndall for always doing her best.

Wallabies
Will Lambkin for working hard in reading groups.

Merit Awards

Bilbies
Ellie Wilson for being a quiet & conscientious student.

Koalas
Sia Emmett for working hard in all class activities.

Wallabies
Mitchell Lamb for an excellent effort in Music.

Playground Ethics Award

Jasper Saker for outstanding playground ethics.

Special Principal’s Award

Awarded to Jasper Saker for being a kind and caring friend to others.