



Principal's Message

Dear families,

This week we celebrated various school and community events!

The students and parent/volunteers had an incredible journey out to Broken Hill for the Landcare State Awards. What a wonderful experience for those of us who had never been out west of New South Wales. At the Landcare Gala dinner we were honoured to receive the Grand Champion Woolworths Junior Landcare team award. How very proud I am of our small school in the Megalong Valley. We will continue the journey to hopefully arrive at National level next November. Thank you to our parent volunteers, and Patrick our brilliant bus driver who made sure we got to places safely and on time!

What a lovely day we had participating in the Rhododendron Festival at Blackheath on Saturday. Our students received pleasing results in the Art Exhibition.

1st prize Jnr Art
1st prize Primary Art
2nd prize Primary Art
Primary Art Highly Commended

In addition, a note about bushfires. It is important that we undertake appropriate planning, monitor bushfire conditions during the bush fire season and be ready to act when required. If there is bush fire activity in the vicinity of the school you should ring 000 immediately and contact the school.

This week, I have met with the Department of Education Work Health and Safety Consultant and booked for the local Megalong Rural Fire Brigade to visit our school students. As a school, we have reviewed our Bushfire Emergency Management Plan and procedures with staff and students, and have consulted with Megalong Valley Rural Fire Brigade. We will be monitoring the Fires Near Me App to check for fires in the area.

Please take the time to discuss with your children your Bushfire Plan at home. If you do not currently have a plan, you can find some useful information on the following websites to assist in developing your Bushfire Survival Plan.

- The Rural Fire Service website provides a range of useful information
www.rfs.nsw.gov.au

- Further information can also be found at NSW Public Schools safety website:
<http://www.dec.nsw.gov.au/about-us/news-at-det/bushfire-safety>

Term 4 dates to look out for:

- ⇒ **November 11th:** Remembrance Day
Regional performing Ensemble visit.
- ⇒ **Nov 11th –Nov 22nd:** School swimming.
- ⇒ **Nov 25th:** RFS school visit
- ⇒ **Nov (date to be confirmed):**
Katoomba police visit
- ⇒ **Dec 3rd:** Katoomba High Parents orientation.
- ⇒ **Dec 6th:** Community Xmas party set up after school.
- ⇒ **Dec 7th:** Community Xmas party and Trivia/Games night 6:30 pm.
- ⇒ **Dec 17th:** Presentation Day 11:30am
- ⇒ **Dec 18th:** Muck up Day and last day of term.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

To commemorate Remembrance Day on the 11th Nov the students will be conducting a short service and observing a minutes silence at 11am. The regional Performing Ensemble has offered to come and perform for the students as part of this.

Parents are welcome to attend. Commencing
10:15am.

Sound Scouts Hearing Test



Term 4:

Parents of children in Kindergarten, Year 3 and Year 5 are encouraged to visit soundscouts.com.au to check their hearing. The school can also perform this if requested. There is a downloadable app and a simple test.





NSW State Grand Champion Junior Landcare Team Winners!!!

