The Bilby Bulletin

Next Wednesday we will be visited by Louise and Ron from the Bilby Bulletin: Small Schools, Big Adventures group. They are starting their tour with small schools from Rankin Springs, Wyalong, Collingullie and Lowesdale on their first day. They are aiming to create a collection of ‘zines’ (mini self-published booklets) for their Bilby Bulletin Travelling Arts and Cultural Exchange Library. Content will be hosted on the Akubra website in months to come.

They are asking students to tell the world about our place in Australia—Collingullie.

You might like to talk to your child/ren about our school, culture, local industry, geography, history, current issues, initiatives and celebrations in and around Collingullie. What are our landmarks? Special places? Why was Collingullie settled? What was it like before? How has it been built up over time?

Everyone is invited to participate (parents, grandparents, community members, teachers, and students). Everyone will be given an A5 sheet of paper to tell what it means to live where we do, to put our place on the map! Through writing and drawing, let’s give the rest of Australia a solid understanding of our place in Australia. There will be face painting (snakes and butterflies) available for $3 on the day.
## Calendar

### Term 4

#### Term 4, Week 7

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#### Term 4, Week 10—Swimming School

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## Principal’s Note

I am extremely proud of the learning the primary students have done to put their movies together for the upcoming Movie Night. A few movies from our class will be selected to represent our school. All students and parents are invited to come and watch the movies next Thursday night (26th November) at 6:30pm at Wagga Wagga Public School. There will be a snack pack available for $5 on the night, consisting of a packet of chips, a popper and a chocolate. Join us on the red carpet to see why the students of the Community of Small Schools think small schools are so great.

I am looking forward to tomorrow’s Science Day where Mrs Brett and the Primary students will be conducting a number of experiments and setting up experiments for the Infants students to try.

Your children will probably have mentioned that we are having a blitz at the moment on oral reading and fluency and we are getting them to read one page from their book to every adult on site. Firstly they show us what they know by reading. We help them as they decode any unfamiliar words. Then we get them to reread the whole sentence until they can read it without stopping. Then they read the next sentence and read it over and over again until they can read it fluently. Then we go back to the top of the page and read the whole lot until we can read it without stopping or making mistakes. You can help at home by getting them to read their home reader or library book to you and then go back and choose one page to focus on for fluency using the same steps as we do at school.

Kirrilee Post
Principal

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Check us out online:
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The whole school went for a walk to find our favourite parts of Collingullie for the Bilby Bulletin project.

Lucky Numbers

We continue to be grateful to the Crossroads Hotel for its ongoing support of our school. Each month we run Lucky Numbers at the hotel. Thank you to everyone for supporting our Lucky Numbers by buying or selling tickets. In the coming weeks Lucky Numbers will be run by:

20th November — Guiton Family
4th December — Gunn Family
18th December — Hughes Family

Lucky numbers will be in recess over the holidays and will begin again when school resumes.

What have we been learning in class?

From the Infants Classroom – With Mrs Koschel
With Mrs K out of action most of this week, having dislocated her shoulder, we have been learning with Mrs Schneider and Lisa. We have been looking at wet and dry environments in HSE and looked at places around the world like the Amazon Rainforest and the deserts like the Sahara. We have been writing and reading. In Maths we have been revising halves and breaking our counters into halves and quarters.

From the Primary Classroom – With Miss Post & Mrs Brett:
We are so excited to be almost finished our movies for the big premiere next week. It has been a long journey and we have learnt a lot about how to use different techniques to merge images and create a finished film. In Maths we have continued our revision on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We have also completed our end of year exam in maths and continued to push our learning of our basic maths facts. In English we have been working hard to finish our novel and to get some writing done. In music we are working on learning how to play a new song in time for presentation night, it has proved very challenging. In SAKG we have been cooking up a storm and maintaining our garden. Our new tomato plants are growing nicely.

In two weeks time we will be joined by Mark Saddler who will be running an Aboriginal Cultural Knowledge workshop day for all students. It will involve music and art as well as learning a bit more about our local Wiradjuri nation.

Year 6 Farewell—10th Dec

Earlier this year at the Year 6 Leadership days the Year 6 students decided that they wanted to have a combined Small Schools’ Farewell Dinner. This dinner will be held at Lake Albert at the Boat Club. Year 6 students, their parents and teachers are invited to attend. The cost per adult will be $30 a head and the Year 6 students’ meals will be complimentary on behalf of Collingullie Public School as our gratitude for the

Bundyi Aboriginal Day
On our way back from our walk we got to admire a truck.

wonderful years they have given our school. RSVP and money is required by Friday 27th November.

Captain’s Speeches— Thurs 3 Dec

Our Year 5 students should be starting to think about if they would like to run for captain or vice captain of our school for 2016. On Thursday 3rd December these students will be given the opportunity to address the school and give a speech on why they would like to lead our school next year. More information will be given to our Year 5 students shortly. Parents are invited to come and hear the speeches.

Swimming School

Please put Week 10 in your calendar as Swimming School week. We will be asking for money after Rollover at the start of December. It will be approximately $65.

P&C Meeting— Mon 30 Nov

The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 30th November in the library at 3:40pm.

Presentation Night— Tues 15th December

Please put Presentation Night in your calendar. Starting time: 6.30pm.

A plate per family for supper please.

Only 36 sleeps ‘til Christmas!