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“Outta Africa”- Outta sight!

Last Friday we were fortunate to host a performance by an African style drum band “Outta Africa” at our school for Talbingo and Cabramurra school students. The group consisted of 4 very talented musicians who had our students captivated from the first beat.

The group used a variety of African drums and traditional instruments to create some fantastic rhythms. When they added their own voices, hand clapping and foot stomping the results were truly amazing! Presenting a blend of storytelling and songs, they had the students participating enthusiastically throughout the concert. We are very lucky to have the support of Musica Viva who provide a special “small schools” discount; without this we would not be take advantage of such great concerts

2013 Snail Cup

It has been 4 years since the inaugural Talbingo Snail Cup was held and students were excited about its return. As well as being a lot of fun, the Snail Cup provided a theme for activities which support the HSIE, Maths, PDHPE and CAPA syllabus areas. Students collected their snails, and then studied them as part of the “living things” topic. They learnt about their habitat, diet and lifecycle and studied them closely under magnifying glasses.

After lunch students made and decorated their own headwear from a variety of craft items, creating some amazing fascinators and top hats for the ‘Fashions on the Field’ parade. It was a very hard decision for the judges but after much deliberation, Chloe and Brendan were announced as the winners.

The race itself provided an opportunity to learn about ‘chance and data’ e.g. the probability of different outcomes. These complex concepts are difficult for students to grasp and being able to learn about them in a practical application is very helpful.

The snails were released in a centre circle to see which snail could navigate its way to the outer circle in the fastest time. Several heats were held, followed by 2 semi-finals which determined the final field. With the tension mounting, the whistle blew for the last time. After a slow start Daniel’s snail took the lead and charged to the line ahead of its rivals. Congratulations Daniel.

Everyone had a wonderful day.

Annual presentation of Awards.

Parents and members of the community are invited to attend our Annual Presentation of Awards Ceremony which will be held on Thursday, 12th December 2013.

As in previous years the evening will commence with a community barbecue at 6.00pm. The awards ceremony will follow at 7.00pm.

After the ceremony has been concluded there will be a Christmas carol sing-a-long.

Diary Dates

Week 6 – Beginning Monday, 11th November	
Monday	Kindergarten Transition 12.30 – 3.00pm
Wednesday	Sports Day at Cabramurra
Thursday	How To Learn (Teacher Training)
Friday	How To Learn (Teacher Training)
Week 7 – Beginning Monday, 18th November	
Monday	Kindergarten Transition 12.30 – 3.00pm V.C. Assembly 2.00pm
Tuesday	P&C Meeting 3.10pm
Week 8 – Beginning Monday, 25th November	
Monday	Kindergarten Transition 12.30 -3.00pm
Wednesday	Final Sports Day at Cabramurra
Week 9 – Beginning Monday, 2nd December	
Wednesday	Video Conference Assembly 2.00pm
Week 10 – Beginning Monday, 9th December	
Thursday	Award Presentation Evening

Cabramurra Sports Day

Our next visit to Cabramurra will be a sleepover. We will travel to Cabramurra on Tuesday, 12th November, departing from school at 8.00am, returning at around 4.00pm on Wednesday, 13th November.

Mrs Levey, Mrs Pullen and Mrs Rohloff will all be attending and providing transport for our students. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Smith who will also be assisting with transport.

If your child requires a car seat, please ensure they bring it to school. Departmental policy states that students under the age of 7 must travel in an approved car seat.

Students will be preparing their meals with Mrs Pullen and sleeping in the classroom. Swimming lessons will be conducted on both days. In addition, we will be also doing some music activities.

Remember to bring:

- Morning tea and lunch for Tuesday
- Pillow, sleeping bag (no swags)
- Towel and toiletries
- School uniform, clean underwear & socks for Wednesday
- Warm pyjamas, slippers and jumper
- Swimming costume and towel
- Plastic bags for dirty clothes and wet things.

P&C Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 19th November at 3.10pm in the classroom. The focus of this meeting will be to conclude business for this year and do some planning for 2014.

It is important that all parents attend.

"Outta Africa"

