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Farewell Mrs Stacy

Semester one is over and so is the funding that enabled us to employ extra teaching time. It is with regret, therefore, that we must say farewell to Mrs Stacy.

Mrs Stacy worked with the senior students during Mathematics and Literacy; their understanding of number, timetables, grammar and text types has all shown good improvement.

All students have benefitted from her extensive art skills, and science lessons have become a regular part of each week. For her hard work and effort we say thank you and look forward to seeing her on the occasional casual days that occur in the future.

Ski Trip – Monday 22nd July

Given the unseasonal warm weather, conditions at the snowfields have not been ideal. With a cold change forecast tonight and some snow expected, we will make a decision tomorrow as to whether the first ski trip will go ahead as planned. Students will bring home a note advising parents of the arrangements.

Please note that if you have not already paid for this trip, payment is expected prior to departure. If the trip doesn't go ahead, payments already made will be transferred to the remaining trips or a refund made if applicable.

School Tree Day

As part of the National Tree Day initiative, schools throughout Australia will be celebrating School Tree Day on Friday, 26th July 2013.

Talbingo Public School will be planting some new trees in our grounds with the help of the Talbingo Progress Association, and we would like to invite parents and other interested community members to join in with our activity.

The Progress Association will be providing a sausage sizzle lunch at 1.00pm which will be followed by the tree planting.

The Progress Association has also donated the trees, which will be planted along the William Hudson Walk, replacing trees that have died over the years. The school is funding a new watering system, which should help to ensure the trees get off to a good start.

Good Luck Trinity

All staff and students wish Trinity the best of luck as she travels to Sydney to compete in the NSW State Cross Country Championships. It will be an amazing experience and, with her family there to cheer her on, she is sure to do her best.

Diary Dates

Week 2 - Beginning Monday 22 nd July	
Monday	Ski Trip No. 1, Mt Selwyn
Friday	School National Tree Day
Week 3 - Beginning Monday 29 th July	
Education Week	
Monday	Ski Trip No. 2, Mt Selwyn
Tuesday	Highlands District Athletics, Gundagai
Friday	Education Week - Open Day 1.00pm Yr 5 Visit REEC, Wagga
Week 4 - Beginning Monday 5 th August	
Monday	Ski Trip No. 3

Education Week Celebrations

Each year Education Week is held late July to formally recognise and celebrate student learning and achievement and this year's theme is "Celebrating our Stories".

Talbingo Public School would like to invite parents and community members to visit on Friday, 2nd August 2013. We would be delighted if our visitors were able to have lunch with the students and staff before visiting the classroom to view some of the work the children have been doing recently.

If the weather permits, there might also be an opportunity to enjoy some games outside. Lunch commences at 1.00pm and parents are invited to bring their own packed lunch.

Environmental Education Program

Year 5 students will travel to the Riverina Environmental Education Centre in Wagga to take part in a special program along with the peers from throughout the region.

The program provides our students with the opportunity to conduct some scientific research and draw conclusions based on their investigations. They will benefit greatly from the expert assistance of the REEC staff and from being able to undertake this kind of activity with a large number of students their own age.

During the day they be comparing aquatic organisms from 2 different dams and seeking to explain why they are different.

They will collect samples using dip nets, which they will then identify and investigate using microscopes and a computer data-base. They will then discuss their results and the reasons for the difference.

We look forward to hearing about their experience when they return.

MY HOLIDAYS

On their return to school this term, the students were encouraged to share their holiday experiences by writing about them as part of their creative writing program.

Below are accounts from Danielle and Madison about how they spent one of their favourite days during the holidays.

“My Holiday”.

I yawn as I wake up to another long day - it was the school holidays, so I didn't have to go to school, YAY!

I got up to get my Ipad2. I watched YouTube, for a really long time, I watched Mine craft on one of my favourite gamers, XerainGaming. They are really cool!!

I got up out of bed when I got really hungry and I had some cereal.

After I ate, Aisha said I should get a cool 'app' on my Ipad 2. Dad was downloading an update for Battlefield because Aisha wanted to play it, so I had to wait.

I waited about four hours and it was still downloading! So I gave up and asked dad to download the game. It's called "Blockhead". IT WAS AWESOME!

I played Blockhead until dinner; I think it was curry and rice. YUM!

Then I played Blockhead again. Blockhead is a blocky game that you have to build, craft, mine, find treasure and travel! It is an A.W.E.S.O.M.E GAME!

Over all I think that day was one of my favourite days in THE WHOLE HOLIDAYS

By Danielle



“My Holiday”.

My favourite part of the holidays started noisy and loud like a herd of elephants stampeding through our yard.

Ben, my step dad, was renovating the house. Jade and I were bored until Mum came up with the idea of nailing wood, so for about an hour and a half we made wooden chairs.

After doing that, I went inside and played with play dough. The door then opens, Jack and Tyler, my cousins, come in with Nan and Aunty Nat.

I then tell them "Mum is putting Rylee to sleep and Ben and Jade are out the back". They said "Ok", so I cleaned up the play dough.

We then had a fire bucket until 10.00pm. Jack, Tyler, Jade and I moved my queen mattress to the loughroom and watched "Batman Returns" for an hour.

Jack Tyler, Nan and Aunty Nat left to go to Nan's house.

By Madison

