Dear School Community,

Welcome to the last Currawa Newsletter for 2015. I think it is always a good time to reflect on what has been and to make plans to build on the school’s successes. It has been a very exciting year in which we have achieved some amazing things:

- The successful staging of our Currawa Centenary Celebrations from April 17-19th,
- The Dookie/Currawa School Partnership being struck,
- The first year of implementing our Currawa F-6 Science curriculum,
- Hosting a Student Wellbeing Cluster Day for 350 students from 10 different schools on the University campus,
- Hosting another successful Melbourne Cup Day Picnic, and
- Attending a three day Alpine Camp with Undera PS for all F-6 students!

All of this would not have been possible without the support of all parents, local businesses, charitable organisations, the Shepparton Small Schools Cluster, The Patch Primary School, the Dookie Primary School, the greater Dookie community, Undera Primary School, our award-winning Business Manager Lyndall Roberts, our amazing Bus Driver Lee Barnes, our wonderful Teacher Rosalie Thomas and our beautiful cleaning staff consisting at different times of Sharon Lockhart, Jess McNeill, Damian McNeill and Pam Rogers. All of these people and organisations (but especially our school’s parents and staff) bring unique skill sets and perspectives to help deliver the best for our students. Our differences are our strength and you should all be very proud of being able to contribute towards the successes of 2015.

Thank you for your support.

December is a very enjoyable time of the year for our Currawa students as Music Recitals are recently completed and School Concert rehearsals begin in earnest. Students and teachers have been preparing for an end-of-year extravaganza for a while now and the big date is set for Thursday 10th December at 7pm. Our School Concert will be followed by a casual supper afterwards back in our Currawa Kitchen. Please bring a plate of supper if you plan to attend. We would also like to encourage our school community to bring a friend/relative to entertain.

In the final week of Term 4 on Thursday 17th December, students and teachers will attend a celebratory day out in Shepparton. This will include a movie, lunch and a play at Kids Town at no cost to parents.

Finally, I am looking for some volunteers to help care for Ivy, Milly, Candy (Chooks), Torpedo and Shelly (Turtles) over the summer break. I am happy for our pets to be relocated during this time or for people to tend to them at school. Could you please let me know if you are interested as soon as possible? (First in, first served).

Thanks for Reading, Adam Cleary – Principal.

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CALENDAR

DECEMBER
- Thurs 10th - End of Year Concert
- Thurs 17th - Movie Day in Shepparton
- Fri 18th - End of Term 4

JANUARY 2016
- Fri 29th - First day of school for 2016

END OF YEAR SCHOOL CONCERT
This year we won’t be running the Christmas Hamper raffle, but Santa will make his usual visit. Please feel free to invite friends, family and community members to come along and enjoy the evening.

MOVIE DAY
On Thursday 17th we will be running our end of year movie/fun day in Shepparton. We will be leaving the school at 9:00am and will return by 3:00pm. Students will need to be in their school uniforms and take their hats. A barbecue lunch will be provided.

MT HOTHAM CAMP
Just a reminder that we would appreciate the payment of $20 for the food that Rosalie organised on behalf of the parents for the Mt Hotham Camp as soon as possible.

HATS
A reminder that all children need their broad brimmed hats for Term 4 as we are a SunSmart School. ‘No hat, No play.’

EGGS FOR SALE
We are still getting plenty of eggs, so if you would like any the cost is $3 per dozen.

GRADE 6 TEA WITH OTHER CLUSTER SCHOOLS
Dookie Primary School has organised a tea for the departing Grade 6 students in the cluster at Pizza Hut in Shepparton on Wednesday, December 16th at 4:00pm. Pizza Hut offer an ‘all you can eat pizza, pasta and dessert’ deal for $8.95. If you are interested contact Dookie Primary School on 5828 6585.

DOOKIE MOTORS
Dookie Motors have offered to sponsor our school - for every paid Service or Grease and Oil Change to any staff member or parent of a student currently attending Currawa Primary School they will donate $50 to the school.

Scientist of the Week
November 30th

Oscar for working well within the collaborative working team he is in.

Scientist of the Week
December 7th

Maisie for her excellent effort put into the CREST assignments presented last week.

FORTNIGHTLY SCIENCE FACT

The low frequency call of the humpback whale is the loudest noise made by a living creature, and can be heard from 500 miles away.
Junior CREST Assignments

School Values Sign

Teamwork
Enthusiasm
Curiosity
StarLab