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Term 2 Week 6

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We Encourage The Inquisitive Mind By Investigating Inside and Outside The Classroom



Our friend Oscar loves all things about birds. With his inquisitive mind he uses the skills learnt at school to investigate and build confidence in the understanding of the world of birds.

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Confirmed Diary Dates For This Term

Week 7	1-Jun	2-Jun Chess Comp @ Tutor House	3-Jun Scripture Music Tuition ICAS Science	4-Jun Music	5-Jun Library Athletics Carnival	6/7 June
Week 8	8-Jun Queen's Birthday Holiday	9-Jun Soccer @ Wingello PS	10-Jun Scripture Music Tuition	11-Jun Music	12-Jun Library Sport	13/14 Jun
Week 9	15-Jun ICAS Writing	16-Jun NRL Gala Day @ Exeter Oval ICAS Spelling	17-Jun Scripture Music Tuition	18-Jun Music	19-Jun Library Sport	20/21 Jun
Week 10	22-Jun Musica Viva @ Exeter PS	23-Jun Walk to Town	24-Jun Scripture Music Tuition Colonial Day	25-Jun Music	26-Jun WINTERFEST Starts Library Sport	27/28 Jun

Reminders

Please ensure if you haven't already that your Fruito is paid up for this term.

If your child participates in the music program please ensure that Maria is paid as arranged. We are still waiting on the following Permission and /or Expression of Interest Notes from some families:

- Athletic Carnival (all years Attending)
- children will be travelling by bus with Wingello (\$7.30 per child)
- Wombaroo EOI (only Years 4-6)

Calendar Changes

Please note on your calendars the Life Education Van at Wingello School (3rd June) has been cancelled this year as well as "Doing Things Together Day" (27th May) by the hosting school.



The school Choir performing in front of a supportive audience

Fruito Roster

A big thank you to Nicole, Alex and Jo for collecting the fruit over the last couple of weeks.

We are hoping to establish a Fruito roster for families to pick up the fruit starting next term. If you are able to offer helping out over the last few weeks of this term, it would be appreciated.

Biggest Morning Tea @ Penrose Hall

The event at the hall raised according to Treasurer Suzie Edwards \$1071.40. A fantastic effort and thank you to all those who could contribute, attended and added to the delicious morning tea. Our School Choir performed at the event and really enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Thank you to the Penrose Community for including us in this event.



The delicious spread put on by the community.

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Students at Penrose have been studying the history of Penrose and the school. They have been fortunate enough to be visited by members of the community who have had a long association with our school. We would like to thank the two ladies who gave us their time and shared their stories about our wonderful village. The children reported on their visits and shared below what they learnt.

Mrs Inge Sperzel

(as recorded by Lilly and Mei)

Mrs Sperzel is Lilly and Mischa's Great grandmother. Originally from Germany, Mr and Mrs Sperzel decided to come to Australia after Mr Sperzel had read that Australia was the land of the future. It took them 5 weeks to get here by boat (due to engine trouble). Mrs Sperzel was in her mid twenties and could not speak English when she arrived in Melbourne. The couple worked in Cowra for a while cutting asparagus. Mr Sperzel read in "The Land" newspaper that there was work in Sutton Forest and when they arrived found they really liked the area, as it reminded them of home. Before they arrived in Penrose, there was a severe bush fire where the Hall, Shop, the Old Church and we think the school burnt down. In 1964 the Sperzel family bought the 113 acre property "Santa Rosa".

Penrose hasn't really changed that much, especially growth-wise and two of their children, Maria and Pa (Lilly's Grandad), went to Penrose School. Mr and Mrs Waddling owned the General Store and there were many orchards where fruit was sold and from the front gates of neighbours.

Grandpa would catch rabbits, skin them and sell the fur to a place in Goulburn. There were a lot more steam engines that passed through the village as well.

Mrs Patricia Cretney

(as recorded by Molly and Amelie)

The Cretney family originally came to Penrose from Canberra after visiting family friends who owned "Cherry Hinton" (Mei, Luca, Ella J, and Thom's home). When the Wife of Cherry Hinton passed away, the Cretney's decided that they would buy it and make "Cherry Hinton" their home with their four daughters. The daughters went to school at Penrose and Mrs Cretney worked here also. Eventually in the 1980's the Cretney's build a new home at the back of the property and sold the "Cherry Hinton" homestead to the Hobbs Family (they also had children who attended our school). The current owners of the house Jo Davidson and Roger Jackson also had their children attend Penrose School.

There is not much difference in the way Penrose looks now compared to then and people came to the area for the orchards (especially apples).

A man named Paul was the fulltime station master at Penrose who loved gardening and growing plants around the station.

There was the Penguin T-Ball Team made up of Wingello and Penrose children and they would practice on the Penrose Oval.

There was no rubbish collection so everyone would meet at the tip on a Saturday morning to get rid of their waste and it was also an opportunity for locals to bring things to swap, ie planting cuttings etc. You could dump anything there as in those days there were no restrictions.

The weather use to be wet and cold all the time and you never stepped outside the house without gumboots on. There was also a Pine Festival and dancing where the girls would dress up as Pine trees. A treehouse was built at the school with the wood donated by the local pine mill and there use to be a bus service (two small buses) owned by Fred the bus driver who would pick up and drop of the children to school. Eventually the buses were sold to Berrima Buslines and one of Fred's sons, Graham who lives in Penrose still drives the buses.



COLONIAL DAY - 24th June

Please come and join us for the bush dancing and damper on our Colonial Day. Dressing up time!!! Any questions? Ask Mrs Bevan

9.00-9.30am	Introduction/Rules (Library class)
9.30am	Chalk handwriting on black paper
9.50am	Still Life art
10.10am	Ink writing on parchment
10.30am	Sewing bookmarks/peg dollies
11.00am	Fruito
11.30am	Scripture
12.00 – 1.00pm	Hopscotch, marbles, hoop racing, quoits and skipping
1.00— 2.00pm	Lunch (making damper)
2.00 – 3.00pm	Bush dancing and eating damper

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Year 4-6 Exposition Work

During the NAPLAN week, students had to write a persuasive text to convince us that a law or a rule should be changed. It could be a rule at home, school, a game or sport. It could be a law that everyone has to follow. Last newsletter, you got a small insight into what rule Amelie thinks should change. One of her really good points was omitted and that was that students should be more responsible for their actions.

Here is what some of the other students thought.... Heather believes that there should be a law that you can't cut down trees.

Mei believes that students shouldn't have to wear uniforms.

Molly believes that countries shouldn't have the right to murder bad people.

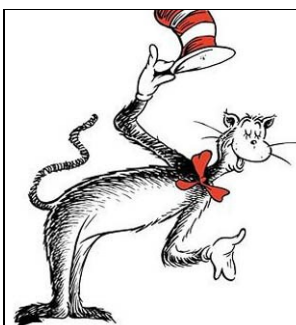
David believes that children should not get pocket money.

Oscar believes there should be a law that states there is to be no war.

Lilly thinks that the students should be able to play where they want in the playground.

Thomas thinks that there should be a rule that lets us bring animals to school.

As you can see, the students are thinking further from home but also on the doorstep. It's important to discuss with your children what is going on in the news and involve them in your adult discussions sometimes so that they will be better prepared for the world when they leave home.



"Think left and think right and think low and think high.

Oh, the things you can think up if only you try!"

- Dr. Seuss

Working Together With Our School Community

Would your kids like an international 'big brother' or 'big sister'?

Why host a student?

Families choose to host students for a variety of reasons. While motivations vary between families, all host families gain from:

- exposing family members to different customs, values and ideas
- developing global interests
- helping a student realise his/her dreams
- expanding international friendships
- sharing Australia with a new family member from overseas

What do host families have in common?

- willingness to share and care
- desire to learn about another culture
- interest in enhancing awareness of the global community
- curiosity about the world, history, languages, customs
- aspiration to develop international friendships
- pride in Australia and enthusiasm to share the ways of this beautiful land
- recognition of the importance of education
- great sense of humour

SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE

is looking for voluntary host families for overseas students aged 15-18 arriving in Australia in July 2015. Host families can choose a student based on their interests, background and nationality, for a duration of 3, 5 or 10 months. We have carefully-selected students arriving from Italy, France, Germany, Finland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and Spain, looking for families who are willing to welcome them into their home and show them the Australian way of life!

Want to learn about another culture without leaving home?

Our international students are looking forward to learning about Australia, and enriching the lives of their host families.

**Call Southern Cross Cultural Exchange on 1800 500 501 for more Information Or ring the Southern Highlands Local Coordinator
- Margy 0406 503 468**

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