Junior performers at Showcase Night

TKIS’s Showcase Night 2014, held on Friday 31 October, was a resounding success with over 200 guests attending at the Kooralbyn Community Hall.

Showcase Night is traditionally an event where Mastery students from high school take to the stage after a year of hard work to showcase their achievements for our entertainment. This year, primary school students also had a chance to be in the spotlight.

A talented group of 12 young vocalists from Years 3 to 7 (pictured above) presented a heart-warming and flawless rendition of “Let It Go” from the popular animated movie, Frozen.

Five dancers from the junior dance group (pictured left) entertained us with a lively number, and we were also treated to a reprise of the TKIS dance performance that won a special mention at the 2014 Beenleigh-Logan Eisteddfod - The Wizard of Oz. All performances were met with thunderous and appreciative applause from the audience.

Look out for more news on Showcase Night 2014 in the next edition of Kooralbyn School News at the end of the term.

Performing Let It Go from Frozen on Showcase Night, with Ms Sue conducting, are:
(front row) Lorna-May (Year 4), Annabelle (Year 3), Bianka (Year 6), Monique (Year 5), Billie (Year 3) and Amara (Year 3);
(back row) Tayla (Year 4), Mackenzie (Year 7), Holly (Year 7), Laa-Teisha (Year 4), Chelsea (Year 5) and Amy (Year 5).

Performing a lively dance routine on Showcase Night:
Mathew (Year 4), Amy (Year 5), Laa-Teisha (Year 4), Lorna-May (Year 4) and Mitchell (Year 5).
Our final term of the year is here and students in Prep and Year 1 would like to welcome Dana (Prep), William (Prep) and Jemal (Year 1) to our class, as well as all the Pre-Prep students who are joining us for two sessions a week.

During Science students have been exploring *The Weather*, focusing on the concepts of cloud cover, wind, rainfall and temperature, whilst discussing how different weather affects our lives and also graphing our local weather patterns. Pre-Prep students joined Prep and Year 1, as we investigated cloud cover and made cotton wool clouds of the shapes and pictures we could see in the clouds. Students made their cotton wool clouds and completed the sentence:

*I looked up into the sky and thought I saw a ... but it was just a cloud in the sky.*

Students in Prep and Year 1 have also been thoroughly enjoying their weekly swimming lessons. There has been a noticeable improvement in all students’ confidence in the pool and each week students are making fantastic progress.

Congratulations to our Students of the Week, William (Week 1), Liam (Week 2), Jesse (Week 3) and Jemal (Week 4).

Students in Prep - Year 2 have been thoroughly enjoying their weekly swimming lessons. There has been a noticeable improvement in all students’ confidence in the pool and each week students are making fantastic progress.

Presentation Night performance. A reminder to parents to please send Presentation Night confirmation forms to school with your child.

Ms Jefferson
Prep - 1 Teacher

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Week 1: Keala and Max
Week 2: Billie and Annabelle
Week 3: Lachlan and Serenity
Week 4: Matthew and Marietta

Mrs Johns and the Mighty 3s

Wow, we can’t believe it’s almost the end of the year! Mrs Baldwin still has lots of work for us to do though and we would like to share some of our Geography creations with you.

We used construction equipment to create places that we are connected to. We created places from all over the world including Germany, Norway & New Zealand. A group of us worked on something closer to home by creating Beaudesert. We hope you enjoy the pictures of our creations.

The Year 1 - 2 students

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Year 4 - 5 with Ms Close

We have been very busy in Year 4-5. Fourth term is always a busy and exciting term as we gear up for the Christmas period and bring our year together to a close. We are studying space in Science and our class has had fun creating craters and investigating all the planets in our solar system. In English we are going to use this knowledge about space to write a science fiction fantasy narrative creating one good and one evil character. In Geography we are continuing to learn about mapping and how maps can represent more than just towns and cities but also vegetation and climate. In History we are looking at Ancient Greece and in Geography we are continuing to focus on place and liveability.

Creating a crater for Science role of a free settler or convict

As well as learning so much in class we have been attending art lesson with Mr McGhee every Monday, swimming lessons every Tuesday with Ms Val and Ms Reanne and choral lessons every Wednesday with Ms Sue.

We are busy trying to get most of our assessment done so that our last couple of weeks in Year 7, can be a fun and interesting time before we head off to high school. Later in the term we will be attending Presentation Night, Graduation Dinner and our fun day at Movie World. Thanks to the people who supported us in our fundraising last term, as the funds raised will be used towards our dinner and fun day.

Congratulations to the following students for receiving student of the week so far this term; Sean (Week 1), Tejas (Week 2), Daniel (Week 3) and Thomas (Week 4).

Until next time,
Miss Cahill, Year 7 Teacher

Year 5 - 6 with Mrs Lamb

Congratulations to our new student leaders for Term 4 - Primary School Captains Conraid and Anaree and Vice Captains Amber and Rebekah. Thank you also to our Term 3 leaders – Angela, Claudia, Joshua and Dylan – who fulfilled their duties and responsibilities well and were very positive role models for the younger students.

We are all very excited about our performance. Students have been practicing their moves at lunch time and even organised a full class rehearsal at break time. Two of our Year 6 girls wrote lyrics which have been included in the performance, and we are very proud and excited about this.

Some students are forgetting to bring either all or some of their swimming things on Tuesday. If you could assist by checking that your child has everything required for their swimming lesson, I would appreciate it very much.

I am really pleased with everyone’s progress this semester. Each and every student has been pushing themselves to progress and achieve, and we are starting to see some great results. If you have any queries, or would like to meet with me, please make an appointment via the school and I would be more than happy to see you.

Mrs Lamb, Year 5 - 6 Teacher

Year 7 with Ms Cahill

Welcome back to the wonderful world of Year 7! This term in English we are focusing on how text can transform and persuade us to think and feel different things. In Maths we are discovering how forces effect the world we live in. In History we are looking at Ancient Greece and in Geography we are focusing on place and liveability.

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Next Door at Pre-Prep

The Pre-Preps have been anticipating going to ‘big school’ (as they call it) for a while now and that time has finally come. They joined Miss Jefferson’s Prep class in Week 2 of this term and they have very much enjoyed the change of scenery.

They have been meeting lots of new friends and teachers and have seen some familiar faces too. They are doing really well with this new routine which is preparing them for full days in Prep next year.

We have had lots of help from older students in Primary who have given their support, comfort and assistance to the Pre-Preps. I would like to say a big THANK-YOU to all of you that have helped, and for being so considerate of our youngest students.

Ms Lauren, Pre-Prep Teacher
Primary School News

Students of the Week

Students of the Week for Week 1

Left to right: William, Daniel, Chelsea and Sean (right): Jack.

Students of the Week for Week 2

Left to right: Liam, Tejas, Annabelle, Lila, Tessa and Isabella.

Students of the Week for Week 3

Left to right: Amara, Jesse, Eden, Philip and Daniel.

(Inset): Angela.

Students of the Week for Week 4

Left to right: Jemal, Thomas, Ethan, Chelsea and Keala.

Primary School Captains (Term 4)

Left to right: Anusree, Conrad, Amber and Rebekah.

Notice & Announcements

Upcoming Events

For current updates on upcoming events, please visit our website at www.tkis.qld.edu.au

- Thu 20 Nov: Presentation Night @ St Mary Hall, Beaudesert
- Tues 25 Nov: Planetarium excursion for Mrs Johns’ and Ms Close’s class
- Wed 3 Dec: Year 7 Graduation Ceremony & Dinner @ Valley Kitchen, Kooralbyn
- Fri 12 Dec: Last day of Term 4

Annual Book Fair

We’d like to thank all parents and students for their generous support of the Annual Scholastic Book Fair. Due to your purchases, we raised $400 from the book fair to spend on books for our library, which is now available for students to borrow.

Congratulations to the winners of the Book Review Competition; Alex and Marietta in the Lower Primary Category, Isis and Mackenzie in the Upper Primary Category.

Congratulations to the Colouring Competition winners; Demiana, Kobi, Sean and Patrick.