



Collarenebri Central School Newsletter

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Tahlia



Tahlia has displayed enthusiasm and effort throughout this term. She is willing to have a go and regularly contributes to class discussions. Keep up the great work.

Principal's Report

Mr Adrian King



I had the great pleasure of seeing the Schools Spectacular in Sydney last weekend. Our students performed wonderfully and greatly impressed the crowd. It was a show the participating students will remember for the rest of their lives.

I have had so many emails from people all around the state commenting on the performance by our

students and the message contained in the lyrics of the You + Me = Us Rap. An example is:

Dear Principal, staff and students

I was privileged to see students from Collarenebri Central School perform at the Schools Spectacular on Saturday night, and wanted to express my admiration. The performance had a profound effect on me. What a message, delivered in a confident, entertaining and powerful way: personally I thought they were the stars of the show!

(I have not included the name for privacy reasons)

While our students were great so was the entire show. The performances by some extremely talented singers, dancers, musicians combined with the colours of costumes to make it a tremendous show. I was blown away by the finale with three thousand students, including ours, in bright colours dancing on the stage together. I, and many others there, could not help but feel proud of our students and the public education system.

If you would like to see the show it is being aired on ABC in the next couple of weeks. There will be two telecasts:

- 7.30pm Sunday, 12 December on ABC1 (1.5hr version)
- 7.00pm Sunday, 19 December on ABC2 (2.5hr version).

My thanks go to Ros McGregor and Peter Baum for their work in organising the trip to the Spectacular and to the staff who supported them.

Mr Baum has included a lot more on the Spectacular in his report.

Presentation Night

Presentation night will be held here at the school on Tuesday 14 December. It starts with a barbecue at 5:30 pm. I encourage all parents and community members to come along as we recognise and celebrate the achievements of our students.

Artist in Residence Program



We were planning to have a few activities happening in week 9 however the rain has caused us to postpone these.

We will be having an art program happening which will involve all students who would like to participate. Ms Liz O'Riley will be working with groups of students to paint or create items for children to take home. Parents are welcome to join them. Just look at the timetable below and see when your child is involved.

Period		Mond	Tues	Wed	Thursday	Friday
1	8:45	Prep	Year	Years	Year	Year
2	9:30		9 & 10	7 & 8	9 & 10	9 & 10
3	10:1					
L	10:5					
4	11:3	Years	Year	Years	Year	Years
5	12:1	7 & 8	5 & 6	K/1	7 & 8	7 & 8
6	12:5 0					
B3	1:30					
7/8	1:50 2:30	Years 5 & 6	Years 2/3/4	Years 9 & 10	Years 2/3/4	Sport

Whole School News



WOW!!!!

What a chance of a life time for kids from Collarenebri Central School!



Awesome! Wonderful! Brilliant! Spectacular!

These words are only a few that describe the wonderful efforts of Students from Collarenebri Central School who represented themselves and Collarenebri brilliantly as part of our school team at School Spectacular.

The students participated in three performances at School Spectacular. The performances were the Aboriginal Dance Ensemble, You + Me = Us Rap and the Colour My World Finale. Additionally three staff members represented the school in the Lean on Me Staff performance.

Aboriginal Dance Ensemble – 'The Light of the Dark'



Students in the Aboriginal Dance Ensemble were:

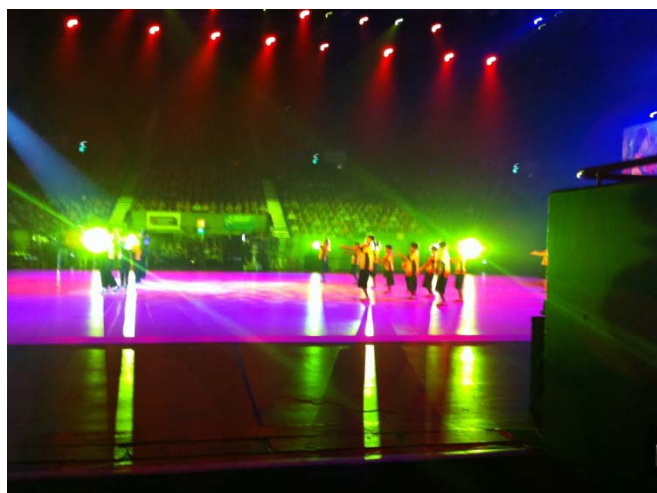
- ★ Kylie
- ★ Dolly
- ★ Megan
- ★ Phoebe
- ★ Russell
- ★ Peter
- ★ Michael



This team of students are to be commended for their efforts over the past three months to work with over two hundred students from over thirty schools to make the “Light of the Dark” song something truly wonderful. Congratulations to all who were involved in this performance.



'You + Me = US' Featured Ensemble



Students who were part of the Collarenebri Central School You + Me = Us ensemble were:

- ★ Russell
- ★ Peter
- ★ Michael
- ★ Kaleb
- ★ Kylie
- ★ Dolly
- ★ Megan
- ★ Phoebe
- ★ Kobi
- ★ Harold
- ★ Zoe
- ★ Tristan
- ★ Jeffrey
- ★ Willy
- ★ Carl
- ★ Lachlan
- ★ David



These students joined together to form the only featured ensemble in the show. They were definitely a show stopper and a highlight of the School Spectacular. There are many things that I could say about the wonderful performances of the students; however the school has been inundated with numerous emails which are shared on the following pages. Simply: “Congratulations to all students. We are very proud of your efforts”.

'Colour My World' Finale

Students who were part of the “Colour My World” Finale were:

- ★ Russell
- ★ Peter
- ★ Michael
- ★ Kaleb
- ★ Kylie

- ★ Dolly
- ★ Megan
- ★ Phoebe
- ★ Kobi Hall
- ★ Harold
- ★ Zoe
- ★ Tristan
- ★ Jeffrey
- ★ Willy
- ★ Carl
- ★ Lachlan
- ★ David

These students joined with over three thousand other students from New South Wales Public Schools to form part of an amazing performance. It looked out of this world from below. I can't wait to see it on the television from above.

'Lean on Me' Staff Ensemble



Teachers and Staff who were part of the "Lean On Me" Ensemble were:

- Mr. Christopher Kirkland
- Mrs. Linda Moore
- Mrs. Janet Mason



Gees, they had as much fun as the kids. What can I say, other than look out for them in 'Spectacular

Highlights' on the ABC. The times and dates are listed below:

ABC TV screens 'spectacular' highlights!

There will be two telecasts:

- 7.30pm Sunday, 12 December on ABC1 (1.5hr version)

- 7.00pm Sunday, 19 December on ABC2 (2.5hr version).

Finally congratulations to all community members, Sydney Volunteers, staff and students who have put in so much of themselves to ensuring the kids had success at the School Spectacular. We appreciate everyone's contributions.

EMAILS OF CONGRATULATIONS

Below is a copy of some of the emails that have been sent to the school congratulating the school, students and staff on their outstanding performance. (Please be aware names have been removed for privacy reasons).

From the School Spectacular Organisers:

TEXT MESSAGE: Congratulations to your fantastic team of teachers, Katie and those fantastic students of yours. I hope that you all had a spectacular week. They were just amazing! An experience that I hope the will remember forever.

Kind Regards (ARTS UNIT STAFF)

To whom it may concern,

*My name is ***** and I am Assistant Principal at ***** Central School. Last Friday I had the pleasure of attending the Schools Spectacular in Sydney. I just wanted to let you and your students know that their performance was spectacular and in fact I was actually overcome with emotion just from witnessing their passion and sense of pride at performing at such an event. I imagine you are very proud of your students but so were the 10 000 people in the audience. Well Done!!!*

To the Principal of Collarenebri Central School,

I just wanted to say how much I enjoyed the "You + Me = Us" rap at the Schools Spectacular. Like everything at Spec, it was such as professional

performance, but I particularly loved the lyrics and the energy of their performance.

What fantastic role models those young boys / young men are. Such confidence to perform so well in front of a huge audience. No doubt they have had the support of dedicated teaching staff, but I was just so impressed with their confidence and professionalism.

Can't think of any other words, but they were a highlight of the show for me.

Kindest regards,

(Blue Mountains, NSW)

Dear Principal

I went to the Schools Spectacular last night and just wanted to congratulate your students on their wonderful performance. The kids looked as though they enjoyed themselves - I hope they are very proud of their achievement.

Even more so, I want to pass on my congratulations to whichever staff member(s) was involved in getting this item together. I have no doubt it took a lot of time and effort but I hope they feel the result was worth it. Well done - you are lucky to have such staff.

Regards

(parent of a Sydney child participating in Schools Spec)

Dear Students staff and families from Collarenebri,

I was fortunate enough to be at the 2010 Schools Spectacular at the Entertainment Centre on Friday 26th November 2010. WOW!! The hairs on the back of my neck, the tears of joy and amazement in my eyes all attributed to the fantastic performances however a special place in my memory of that

wonderful few hours are the students from your school who performed You + me + us, what a contemporary and appropriate message for everyone.

Congratulations, well done and how brave you are to perform in front of those thousands of people. Thank you for your hard work and dedication and thank you to your teachers, families and community who no doubt supported you all on this journey.

By the way did you realise that you all invented a new colour? - The colour or unity made with the tones of acceptance, tolerance and peace. Best wishes for a wonderful holiday season to you all. Regards

Hello there,

I just wanted to congratulate your students on an inspiring performance at the School Spectacular last night, which I was privileged to see! The message "You + Me = Us" is universal and necessary in this 21st century! I work at several schools with students who have oral language needs, using a Naturalist Approach to Language.

Through small Kitchen Garden programs we are encouraging the students to "get back to nature", so I particularly resonated with the "Red Earth" phrase!

At ***** Primary, Blacktown South (see above photos) we have two letter boxes, (one which Jack the Kangaroo is holding), and the students check them regularly, but they are often empty, so if your students would like to correspond with us next year, let me know and we could enjoy sharing "City" with "Country" stories!

Finally, I happened to meet the "student with the cap" of the "Generation One - Hands across Australia" video and his friend, in the foyer at interval and found them to be friendly, informative and proud of their school and achievements!



Well done to all!

Photo Highlights from extra activities while in Sydney



Laser Skirmish – Heaps of fun!



Laser Skirmish – The losing team.



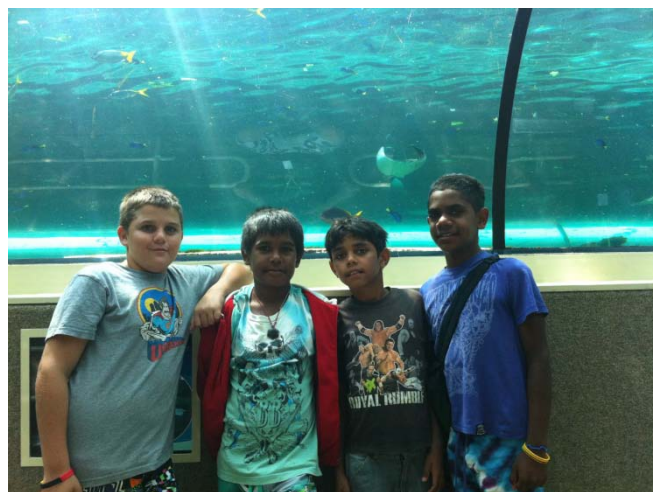
Darling Harbour



At Sydney Wild Life World



At Sydney Wild Life World



At Sydney Aquarium



At Sydney Aquarium



Outside the Entertainment Centre

Secondary Report
Ms Julee Hunt

Head Teacher

Week 8 saw the return of the School Spectacular students from Sydney with slightly exhausted faces and lots of tales to tell. I have no doubt that the experience has extended their understanding of what they can achieve in the world.

Students are in class and busily putting the finishing touches on their practical works before Presentation Night, where we will have a display of student works and projects for proud parents and community members to enjoy.

Unfortunately the rain this week has meant that the Didgeridoo making project has had to be rescheduled, so we look forward to it next year.

The Year 10 Celebration Dinner will be held on the **9th of December 2010** at the Collarenebri Club. This **Year**

10 Celebration Dinner occasion celebrates the achievement of the students finishing their School Certificate studies and starting senior studies.

Family, community members and students from year 9 and above may attend. Tickets can be purchased at the school office for \$20. Please indicate your choice of meal at the time of purchasing tickets. All tickets must be purchased by **Wednesday 8th December** for catering purposes. Dress is casual

VIBE AND SYDNEY SWANS CONGRATULATE THE KIDS **AT SCHOOL SPECTACULAR**



All students who attended the School Spectacular were given a Sydney Swans bag full of Swans supporters gear and Vibe Alive gear. Thank you to the wonderful Vibe team who have supported the kids this year.



FUN! FUN! FUN!

Primary students are having heaps of fun at school at the moment. From 11:30 each day, students are involved in a variety of activities including intensive swimming (weather permitting), Arts and Crafts, Sports and a variety of other fun things. We have planned a variety of activities to keep children busy and interested at school for the last few weeks of term, prior to the holidays.

With Christmas just around the corner, Christmas trees went up on Wednesday and students and teachers have had heaps of fun decorating them.

Next Week at School is action packed, and we encourage students to attend school every day, don't miss out on the Artist in Residence Program.

Merit List

The last day to make the Merit List is Wednesday the 10th of December (This coming Wednesday). Please remember to hand in all of your Merit cards (10 in total) to Mr. King as soon as possible. Once you have received 2 Principal Awards for the term then you are eligible for the Merit List.

Things that make students not eligible for the Merit List

- Being suspended during the term.
- Being placed on Demerit List 2
- Being placed on Demerit List 1 more than 2 times in a term
- Not achieving 10 award cards within the term.
- Poor Behaviour

The Merit Activity for the whole school this term is a fun day at "Lightning Ridge Pool". It is important that all parents are aware that we will not chase this note. Please help out your child and remind them to bring their notes back to the front office.

Level of Excellence

Currently we are reviewing the success of students throughout the year. To reach this level students must have outstanding behaviour, attendance and a positive attitude towards their schooling.

Captain Speeches

Primary School Captain Speeches are on Wednesday the 8th of December at 10:00am (This Wednesday coming) in the school library. Parents and community members are invited to attend and show their support to the year 5 students who are running for election. So far we have 5 nominations for the two school captain positions and hope to have a few more. If

your child is in year 5 please encourage them to have a go at running for school captain. The Primary Captains for 2011 will be announced on Presentation Night, so make sure you are there.

Students will be voting in the election in classrooms immediately after the speeches.

Library

HELP REQUIRED! Mrs Hoare is currently completing our yearly stock take in the school library. So far she has discovered over 100 missing / not returned books. It would be greatly appreciated that if you could have a look for any library books at home with your child/ren and send them back into the school. These books can be handed in to any primary teacher, the front office or the library.

1 / 2 Class News

Over the past week the class has been working very hard on spelling and writing. They are learning to recognise verbs and adjectives and are beginning to apply them into their own class story. The students are close to finishing and are looking forward to sharing the story with their families and friends.

In Maths, the class has explored many different concepts. This week we have been looking at time including reading a clock and identifying months and seasons. The students have enjoyed this topic and every morning, without fail they remind me of the number of days until Christmas.

The students have recently been exploring multiplication and division. They are learning to group and share objects.





The 1 / 2 class has worked well throughout this term and I wish to congratulate them on a fantastic effort. Keep up the good work!



December 14th Presentation Night

Community Notices

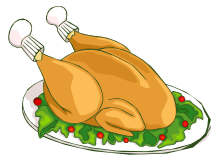
Dates to Remember

December 11th: Carols by Candlelight at the

Collarenebri Hospital



Hot Chickens Christmas Day



Order your Christmas chicken before the 10th December, to be picked up between 9.00am and 11.30am Christmas morning. Price \$13.00 each cooked and ready for your Christmas celebrations.

Contact: Collarenebri Service Station, 67562220



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CAROLS

BY

CANDLE LIGHT

HOSPITAL GARDENS

SAT 11TH DEC

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starting time

7 PM

**Come along and
Join in the festive
Spirit**

ALL WELCOME

**please bring a
Chair or rug**



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Expression of Interest

Adult Education Classes

Contact Details

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Course (Tick the appropriate box or boxes)

☐ Baby Dreamers - Technology and Applied Studies (Life Skills) Daytime only

☐ Information Technology (TVET Cert 1 & 2)
 ☐ Word Processing and Computing on Tuesday evenings

☐ Fashion Fundamentals (TVET Cert 1 & 2) (Sewing)
 ☐ Evening only

☐ Industrial Technology (Timber) (Woodwork)
 ☐ Day time and evening places available

☐ Children's Services (Cert 1 & 2)
 ☐ Daytime or evening