The end of Term 3 was met with a very tired Stage 2. Monday of Week 10, Years 3 and 4 made a perilous trip to Dubbo in order to face lions, tigers however no bears as they made their visit to the Dubbo Zoo.

Though Year 3 only made the day trip, all reports from Mr Hardy and Mrs Hannah were very positive and full of wonder. The students go the chance to get up close and personal with a few different animals and even made it in time to watch a few keeper talks as they trekked around the zoo.

While this was all on Year 4 were contained within the confines of the Old Dubbo Gaol. Locked in their cells for various crimes against the state, Year 4 had a marvellous time exploring the old gaol. They were told tales of escapes, shown various holding cells and even spent some time locked in the black room.

With the excitement of goal to much it was up to Mr Phillips to save the students from their crimes and wear their energy out jumping on trampolines at Flip Out. There the students had an excellent time (with only a few minor injuries, Mr P’s knee for one) with Mrs Evans and Miss Masters even taking their heels off to jump on the trampolines.

With heavy heads and tired bodies it was then time to check into the zoo for the overnight stay. Luckily during the night no one was taken by the crocodiles because the next morning the lucky students were able to visit the tigers for a special feeding and even see some monkeys making a fuss.

After a big day at the zoo on the Tuesday it was time to bring everyone in Year 4 home, (so that the teachers could finally rest), and back to school for Wednesday. All in all it was a fantastic visit to the zoo. Many compliments were given on the behaviour of the students and everyone had a blast.

Until next year Dubbo (or at least until Lake Keepit).

Mr Phillips
Pincham’s Pearls of Wisdom
Welcome back to Term 4! I hope all students and staff are feeling refreshed and energised for an active term of learning!

I have included a calendar of Term 4 activities and I am sure you will see we have a busy term ahead. Our big activities this term are PAN, Student Led Conferences and the Stage 3 Lake Keepit excursion. These events will keep us all very busy and I’m sure the outcomes for all of these activities will be positive ones!

Jack Webster was Mrs P’s Persistent Learner at the end of Term 3. Congratulations Jack!

Lake Keepit Excursion
A reminder to all Stage 3 students who are going on the excursion to keep bringing your money in.

The total cost of the excursion is $330.00 and the final date for payment in full is Friday 30th October.

Thank you to all the families who have brought in their money and/or making payments regularly so we can plan the excursion with confidence.

P&C News
The Twilight Fete was a terrific success! Thank you to all the people who came along to support our fete and enjoy the wonderful atmosphere in the playground on Friday 11th September.

The variety of stalls and the aromas of the international and local cuisines added to the festive atmosphere.

The students were thrilled to have the local radio station, 2WCR-FM 99.5 with their outside broadcast van on site as well as the emergency services. The students loved the opportunity to look through the ambulance, the police car, the fire truck and the VRA response vehicle. Thank you to 2WCR-FM 99.5 and the emergency services for your support of our fete.

The donations were fantastic and the P&C made a very worthwhile amount of money to go toward purchasing resources for our students learning needs.

If you have any feedback about the fete that you would like to share, please join us at the next P&C meeting. It will be held on Monday 19th October 2015, 6.30pm in the School Library.

Library News
I hope you had an enjoyable holiday reading lots of books.

* K-2 students will need to find their Library Bags so they may continue to borrow books in Term 4.
* All students ... check your house, bedroom, under the bed, bookshelf, the dog’s kennel, or any other place you may have left a misplaced or overdue book you may have and return it to the Library please!

What’s on at CPS?
- Thur 8 Oct: Early Birds continues
- Fri 9 Oct: Early Birds continues
- Thur 13 Oct: Yrs 3 – 6 Assembly @ 2:20pm
- Thur 13 Oct: Early Birds continues
- Fri 16 Oct: Stage 3 to High School for Science
- Fri 16 Oct: Early Birds continues

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On Thursday morning of the holidays we drove to Baradine to train for the 10th Gala Concert. First we trained for dancing and then we did some singing after that. We had some morning tea and went on singing. We had lunch and then trained for a bit longer and then we had dinner around the back where the school was. We did the same thing on Friday. On Saturday we woke up a 6:00am ready to travel to Dubbo. We got to Dubbo at around 8:30am and drove straight to the theatre. It was really big.

First of all we had to sort out where we were standing and then we had to try singing with the boys. After that we had a bit to eat and then started the first performance.

We started singing Pilliga Girls Stomp and then went on with a few more songs and did our dance. It was over in an hour. We had dinner at the theatre and got ready for another performance and did the same thing.

We went to the park to see them light up the Moorambilla sign. It was great fun and I hope to do it again.

by Emma West-Kuras

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**Strive to Achieve**

**Tully Andrews**

*has received the Strive to Achieve Award for the following reasons …*

Tully has shown throughout the year she is a responsible and diligent student. Within the classroom and out, Tully is always displaying the ‘five keys’, from being organised for school and completing set work within the time frame.

She as well shows persistence by completing her work to the best of her ability. Tully is well liked by all her peers adn is a valued member of 4/SM.

Congratulations Tully on receiving your ‘Strive to Achieve’.

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**Strive to Achieve**

**Marcus Colantonio**

*has received the Strive to Achieve Award for the following reasons …*

Marcus is a valued member of our class and school. He practices getting along with his peers and his teachers in all lessons. He has the confidence to try most activities - class work, sports and creative arts.

He has been persisting in his writing to achieve higher clusters and has been organising himself to get all his work completed on time.

Marcus is a person who models the respect we expect to see at Coonabarabran Public School. He is a pleasure to have in 5/6L. Congratulations Marcus!

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**Personal Best Award**

**Priya Singh**

*has received the Personal Best Award for the following reasons …*

Priya is a delightful member of our class. She tries hard in all areas and works hard to complete tasks in the time given.

Priya is organised and resilient during lessons and shw always contributes towards class discussions. She has a go at anything and always shows respect to peers and teachers.

Priya is a caring friend and is well behaved on the playground.

Congratulations Priya!

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**Personal Best Award**

**Nicholas Wham-Campbell**

*has received the Personal Best Award for the following reasons …*

Nicholas has been improving in his attitude to learning all year. He has organised himself to complete class work on time and persists in his reading and writing to achieve higher cluster goals. It has been encouraging to see him develop a more positive mindset in class.

He is a genuine friend, getting along with his mates. He participates in many sports and has represented our school many times across a range of activities from football to chess.

Nicholas is a person who models the respect we expect to see at Coonabarabran Public School. Congratulations Nick!
Stage 2 & Stage 3 Assembly Awards

3R/H: Kayeisha Thompson
     * For applying herself to her reading.
     * For excellent effort with her reading.
     * For doing great work with her reading.

3R/H: Demeeka Watters
     * Persistence Award ... for consistent effort in reading.

3R/H: Makayla Thomas
     * For trying her best to improve her reading.

3R/H: Ivy West
     * For making sound efforts with his reading.

3R/H: Holly Regan
     * Perfect behaviour at the Zoo.
     * Perfect behaviour at the Zoo.
     * Being persistent.

3R/H: Lucien Goddard
     * For a very interesting project on the Fossa.
     * For a very detailed project on the snow leopard.

4E: Sophie Bunting
     * For a great project on the Bengal Tiger.

4E: Nash Walker
     * For consistently showing persistence in all areas of school.
     * Persistence

4E: Jessie Newton
     * Always being on task.
     * Being organised and a fantastic classroom helper.
     * Thanks for all his help at the fete stall.
     * Producing quality writing this term.
     * Persistence in all literacy tasks this term.
     * Adding expression when reading.

4/5M: Sam Bowman
     * Always persisting and trying her best in all tasks.
     * Always trying his best and presenting all work neatly.
     * Excellent results in Library assessment.
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4/5M: Clover Hippisley
     * Tarnya Johnson

5/6K: Nils Thomas
     * Jayde Sim

5/6L: Jared Menz
     * Tameka McGlashan
     * Ellenah Wall
     * Jaharna Hicks
     * Olivia Meier
     * Billy Devenish

Library: Jack Foster
     * Library: Amy Maher
     * Library: Ellenah Wall
     * Library: Tashani Clarke
     * Library: Jayde Sim

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Late in Term 3 your child brought home a ZooWhiz Online Home Access Subscription Card.
This is an invitation to students of Coonabarabran Public School to join a discounted 12 month online home access subscription through the licence agreement our school has with www.zoowhiz.com and their parent company, EdAlive.

The offer to join the Home Access Subscription will expire on 19th October 2015.
If you need another card to subscribe, please contact the school office on 6842 1771.
Class Focus: K-6B

K-6B has had a very busy time this term. We have been looking at animal habitats and have created a desert diorama. We made clay animals for our desert and put in a cactus or two.

The Athletics Carnival was a little chilly but we all tried our best and a big congratulations to Georgia Dawson for making it to the Zone Carnival.

Alex Park has become an expert on Australia and the Australian flag. He is very clever at making the map out of playdoh and drawing them. I think I will get him to teach the other students.

Our students participated in the Binnaway Four-Way Sports Day and enjoyed themselves, meeting new friends and learning new skills. Some of us got an early start on Friday 4th of September and enjoyed breakfast with their dads.

K-6B had a wonderful time getting organised for the Twilight Fete at the end of Term 3.

Alex and Georgia went to Taronga Western Plains Zoo in Dubbo in the last week of Term 3 with their Year 3 peers. They had a very exciting time.
Stage 2’s Excursion to Old Dubbo Gaol, Flipout and Taronga Western Plains Zoo