Results are in.

Congratulations to our Year 2/3 Champions of the Small Schools Public Speaking Competition.

First: Sam Conlan
Second: Claire Burcham
Third: Emily Forster

There was a pool of approximately 18 speakers participating using video conferencing (VC) across a variety of schools. All students improved in their public speaking skills and are to be congratulated.

A special mention needs to be made to all the students who attended the maths day at Weethalle, the Cultural day at Rankin Springs and the Griffith visit to the Art gallery and library. The excursions covered a variety of learning experiences allowing our students to be informed learners who understand the value of engaging and collaborating with others to learn in many situations. It gave them opportunities to have real life experiences of what they learn in class and was a great opportunity to socialise and to renew and make new friendships. They were supportive of others learning and used skills such as creative and critical thinking (21st Century skills). They even had a chance to be interviewed by Area News reporters. Handling media attention may come in useful one day!!! Binya students conduct was exemplary and they represented themselves and their school beautifully. Well done everybody.

Anyone heading to Griffith Regional Theatre might like to check out Binya’s entries in the Young Archie. A sneak peak is available in our Kids’ Corner this week and last Friday’s Area News.

Helen

**Using the word LEARNING not work** – ‘Put your work away’, ‘Get on with your work’, ‘let’s mark your work’. Do these words sound familiar? We use the word ‘work’ 98% of the time and the word ‘learning’ only 2% of the time in classrooms – That’s what the studies say! Make an effort to put ‘learning’ back into your vocabulary.

When we use the word ‘work’ instead of ‘learning’ we can send the message to our students that we are only concerned with the answer or the final product and less concerned with how they found the answer and what they learned along the way. Also we can program them to think of school as toil, drudgery and hard yakka if we use the word ‘work’. Think about it – what do you think when I say the word ‘work’?

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

Nothing is impossible.
The word itself says I’m possible.

Audrey Hepburn.
What’s on this week? Week 7

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P&C NEWS - Next meeting: Monday 31st August @ 7pm. All parents and community members are welcome to attend.
All agenda items to Kirsty Rowston, one week prior to each meeting.

Sport

Harry represented Binya in the Small Schools Touch team on Friday 14th August. The team played well but unfortunately lost all their games.

Riverina Athletics – Monday 31st August

Kid’s Corner - Young Archie Portraits

I drew a portrait of my baby brother George. I drew George because he means a lot to me. I found it hard to get his skin colour right. I was also tricky to capture his facial expression. By Sam

I drew myself. The eyes were hard to draw. I am wearing sunglasses. By Max

I drew a portrait of my sister Milly. She is very pretty. Her hair was so hard to get right because it is so shiny. I had to mix brown and yellow to get her skin tone right. By Claire

I chose to draw myself. It was hard to draw my face and mouth. By Millie R
I have drawn a portrait of my sister Claire. I drew Claire because it was easier to draw someone in the room and I also love the colour of her hair. I found it really hard to get all of the facial features into perspective. I had lots of fun painting a portrait and would love to do it again. *By Milly B*

I drew myself. The easiest part was drawing my teeth. The face was hard to draw. *By Charlie*

My painting is a self-portrait. I drew myself because I knew it would be a challenge. The hardest part was drawing my face as I couldn’t see myself. *By Leah*

I chose to paint Bailey Ceddia for the Young Archie competition. It was hard to paint as he lives in Canberra. I liked the way his hair turned out. *By Luke*

I drew my dad because he is supportive. It was hard to get his skin colour right because his skin is dark and bright. *By Leo*

I drew my sister because I love her. *By Bailey*
I drew my friend Brooke. I chose Brooke because I thought she might like it. I found it hard to get the shoulders and face right. I hope she likes it as I am happy with the way the picture turned out. **By Harry**

I drew a self-portrait. I had to mix green and blue for my eye colour. I found getting the shape of my face right the hardest. **By Greer**

I drew a self-portrait. The hardest part was drawing the eyes and the easiest was painting the mouth. **By Emily**

Remember to keep collecting Earn and Learn stickers. They can be sent into the school or placed in the box at Woolworths in Griffith. Last year we purchased valuable resources for Science and Maths.

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**LAURA GEITZ**

You are invited to participate in the Laura Geitz Netball Clinic

Wednesday 9th September, $90/person (Non refundable fee)

Strictly limited numbers at each session

Registrations close Monday 31st August 2015

Open to all ages, 2 x 1 hour clinics from 4pm

DNA Courts, Memorial Park Drive, Deniliquin

Non-Participants welcome to come and catch a glimpse of this superstar!

Registration forms available from:

Bennett’s Intersports Deniliquin

Download from the DNA Facebook page

DNA Clubrooms Saturday 11.00am-3.00pm