Our Year 12 girls Peyton and Phoebe graduated on Friday night at the NBSA Year 12 Farewell held in Moree. I must say the night was spectacular with the 2 girls looking stunning. We congratulate both girls for gaining early entry to the University of New England, and wish them well with their careers and hope they pop back to see us with updates. The NBSA had a great turnout with nearly all the Year 12 students going onto career paths with work, TAFE and University.

Rachael Shearer has been doing a lot of research and meetings with TAFE Western. We are investigating in conjunction with TAFE Western, the possibility of some TAFE courses to be held at the school after 3pm in 2016 to utilise the ‘Trade Training Centre’ classrooms. Courses that are being looked into are Hospitality, Sewing, Construction and a Skills Based Course that has recently been released by TAFE. In future newsletters will be a form for interested community members to fill out.

Congratulations to our stars who attended CAPERS in Tamworth. A big thank you to the staff who gave up their weekend so our students could attend. I must say their 5 days away looked like a lot of fun!

*Until next week*

*Vanessa Coates*
Patricia has come along in leaps and bounds this term. She has improved in all KLA’s as well as her confidence and independence. She has performed wonderfully at CAPERS this week and was amazing at helping the younger students. She is a polite and courteous young lady and is to be commended on her application to all tasks. Well done Patricia!

IMPORTANT DATES
TERM 4

November 9th: Intensive Swimming
November 11th: Whole School Assembly
November 16th: Intensive Swimming
December 4th: Year 6 Graduation
December 8th: Presentation Night

SECONDARY NEWSLETTER
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NBSA Graduation Dinner

The staff and families that attended the Year 12 graduation dinner on Friday evening in Moree had a wonderful time, we were all very proud of Peyton Ramien and Phoebe Newman. Peyton did a wonderful speech and achieved the special award for Academic Excellence across the four schools in the NBSA network.

Mr Odgers and Miss Moyes sang their own edition of Taylor Swift’s ‘Stay, Stay, Stay’, a wonderful way to finish the celebrations.

Yearly Assessment

Students are still completing their yearly assessments in years 7-10. Senior students have already completed their first round of assessments for their HSC next year. It is excellent to see so many students working consistently and putting in a full effort towards their assessments.

Year 6 Transition

This week year 6 students will be attending a science and mathematics lesson with Miss Sam and Mr Odgers respectively.

School Band

Mr Odgers and Miss Moyes will be having band practice for secondary students from 3.05pm to 4pm every Monday in the music room. These practices are essential to finish off students performances for presentation night. Afternoon snack and drinks will be provided.

School Captains

If you would like to nominate yourself to be a school captain in 2016, please see myself or Miss Moyes. You will be required to complete a speech on Tuesday 24th November. Assistance is provided to put your speech together and learn public speaking skills. This is a wonderful opportunity to undertake a leadership position to make your school and community proud. Being a school captain is looked at favourably by
potential employers and training organizations when you leave school.

PRIMARY REPORT
MS. ALLYSON HYNCH
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Grandparents Day

Our Whole School Assembly and Grandparents Day took place last Tuesday. It was great to see many Grandparents here walking through the classrooms and looking at their grandchildren’s work. The transition students were so lucky they had a very full room of Grandparents. Included in the Assembly were lots of performances from the Capers Dance Group, Years 4/5/6 and secondary singing “Stay with me” and the school band playing the National Anthem and School Song. Many thanks to all our parents and Grandparents who came to the Assembly and stayed for lunch.

Capers in Tamworth:

Over the weekend a group of students travelled to Tamworth to participate in the CAPERS, Out of the Box Dance performance. All students were dressed beautifully and were very anxious to get on stage. When it was our turn to run on stage, every child was twisting and moving to a school band who played rock and roll music. Well done to Mrs Raffie on dance coordination and rehearsals. The students adapted well to changing their performances and adding new steps whilst in Tamworth.

Today we will have a performance called “Let the Music Move you” which will be for all students K-6. This will be in the community room at 9:30am.

Intensive Swimming

All students will be heading to the pool in the next few weeks so it’s time to get your swimmers and towels ready for intensive swimming. During this time students will be taken in groups and taught water safety and swimming techniques. This will be running for 2 weeks.

All students are reminded to wear a hat to school. The weather is getting warmer and students will need to have a hat outside during recess and lunch.

K-6 English Enrichment

Selected students in K-6 who are working well at or above stage outcomes in English are participating in extension lessons with Miss Moyes twice a week. They are working on a novel study of the book ‘Hating Alison Ashley’ and creative writing. Students are enjoying being challenged in their learning and we look forward to seeing the wonderful work they produce!

Professional Learning

Staff have been participating in professional learning courses to expand their knowledge of teaching and learning, particularly in the areas of literacy. This term Ms Dumas, Ms Zell and myself participated in PLAN
training – to enhance effective assessment practices. Mrs Mcilwain and Mrs Raffie completed a dyslexia training course and all K-2 teachers are finishing off their L3 training over the next few weeks. All teachers have come back from their training with fresh ideas to implement into their classrooms to best improve educational outcomes for students.

End of Year Reading Benchmarks

The end of the year is nearing and all staff are focusing on trying to ensure their students meet the end of year reading benchmarks. For K-2 students these benchmarks are very important to ensure they don’t fall behind for the rest of their schooling. NSW Department of Education expects that K-2 students reach the following reading levels by the end of each year:

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Claim the Date

November 14th: Social Bowls
December 4th: Year 6 Graduation
December 5th: Carols in the Park
December 8th: Presentation Night

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**EVERY DAY COUNTS...**

A day here or there doesn’t seem like much, but...

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Give your child every chance to succeed...

Every day counts!
CAPERS 2015

On Wednesday the 4th of November, 13 students from year 2-6 along with Mrs Mcilwain, Mr Randall, Uncle Arron and myself went to Tamworth to perform at CAPERS. We were performing a Rock and Roll Medley in the small schools’ dance with other schools such as Willow Tree and Curlewis.

On Thursday morning we were all up very early to eat breakfast and do our hair and makeup ready for a dress rehearsal. This was the first time that we had performed our dance with all of the other schools and there were a few changes to the moves that we had to learn. We all got our own security passes and were very excited to see how our dance looked with the 150 other students in our group. After our rehearsal, we had lunch and then went to the Freestyle Movement Centre. We got to jump on trampolines into foam pits, walk tight ropes, climb monkey bar obstacle courses and all sorts of other fun activities. You can see a video of the kids in action on the CCS Facebook page. We went back to our motel, had dinner and then watched the Emperor’s New Groove 2.

Friday was a big day for us all! We had to be up early again for hair and makeup and at the TRECC ready for a practice of the Finale with all 1200 performers! Then we had our first proper performance, which was a matinee for all the local schools. We had a lot of waiting to perform but we kept ourselves busy with handball, UNO, Bop It and colouring in. After our performance we went back to our motel for lunch and then had an hour at the shopping centre (most of the time was spent in the toy section of Big W). We had dinner at our motel and then back to TRECC to perform again! It was 11pm before we got back to our motel and we were all overly tired.
On Saturday we got a little bit of a sleep in. After breakfast we went to Scully's pool and got to ride on the giant slide and play in the pool. After lunch we went to Oxley lookout and then to the brand new Adventure Playground at the Marsupial Park. We had a great time playing on the flying fox, giant swings and fantastic play equipment. Then it was back to the motel to have dinner and prepare for our final performance.

We left Tamworth at 8am on Sunday and got back home to Colly for lunch. It was a very fun filled few days and we are all very tired. Well done Jack Gallagher, Jaylan Walford, Shay Johnston, Nina Murray, Acacia Jakitsch, Patrica Price, Laquita Price, Holly Price, Tori Gallagher, Kate Zaradic, Janari Walford, Tahlia Gallagher and Akeira Walford! I would like to say a big thank you to Mr Randall for driving us all around Tamworth, Arron for being our navigator and making our dinners, Aunty Pauline for making our beautiful costumes and Mrs McIlwain for perfecting her stage makeup skills. The kids performed amazingly and really shone among the sea of other dancers. Many people complimented them on their beautiful behaviour and their have a go attitude. We should all be very proud of their accomplishments! See the CCS Facebook page for more photos and videos of the performances.

Mrs Raffie
*safebook*

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**THINK**

Think before you post

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**FRIENDS**

- Only connect with friends

**KIND**

- Be kind to others

**PASSWORD**

- Don't share your password

**PRIVACY**

- Keep your settings private

**HURT**

- Don't be hurtful towards others

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**PARENTS & TEACHERS**

- Join Facebook
- Understand how it works
- Teach safety and responsibility
- Privacy - check their settings

**FRIENDS**

- **DON'T:** Stay silent
- **DO:** Help your friend
  - Report the bully
  - Tell your parents
  - Tell your teacher

**THE BULLY**

- **DON'T:** Respond
- **DO:** Save what they say
  - Unfriend the person
  - Block them
  - Tell a Friend
  - Tell your Parents
  - Report the person

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**TELL**

**UNFRIEND**

**BLOCK**

**REPORT**

This is our reaction to cyber-bullying. We must all play our part! Play yours - email for a print ready file.