During week 5 we did our second $5 Friday and made tacos, first we cut up the tomato and lettuce, then we cooked the mince, next we put on our sauce and cheese. They were delicious. Also in week 5 we all learnt heaps. The school also participated in our first practice fire drill where we all run out to the oval and sit down. On Wednesday in week 6 Kane and I are heading off to Somerset College for a Macintyre Young writers excursion for 2 days. I will tell you all about it in the next newsletter.

I have had a lovely week working with all of the students. Congratulations to those receiving their Bronze Star award. This is a great achievement so early in the year. Well done—Keep it up!

I enjoyed spending some extra time with our two Kindergarten boys this week and featuring them in our newsletter. They are working well with Mrs Blackford to learn their Jolly Phonics, days of the week, numbers to 20 and a little more about patterns and shapes. I enjoy listening to them read their reading groups books, too.

Thank you to Mrs Debbie Baker for allowing Mrs Blackford and I to visit some of their Kindergarten classes last week. It was interesting to see what takes place in a larger school with their Kindergarten students. Visiting other schools also gives us an opportunity for learning and improvement ideas.

Congratulations to Ella and Dan for their amazing achievement at Regionals last week. It is fantastic that our school can compete at such a level.

Keep smiling, From Mrs Krystal Magann
On Monday the 7/3/2016 we went to the regional swimming carnival in Armidale. We were both there for 50 m freestyle and Dan for butterfly as well. Dan’s race was the 2nd race of the day and Ella’s was the 6th race of the day. We both swam P.B.s (P.Bs are personal best times), Dan swam 54 seconds and Ella swam 48 seconds. Those times were both 2 seconds faster than our previous times. In the end Dan came 7th and Ella came 23rd. We had to decide if Dan was going to do the butterfly or not, in the end we decided that he wouldn’t because it was the 40th race of the day and dad needed to get home. So we drove around Armidale looking for a cafe, we ended up getting drive through at MacDonald’s. Dad got a latte and we got happy-meals that dad ate the chicken nuggets out of. Then that we drove back to Kali, Jackie, Kim and Vina for joining us and helping us keep Bonshaw beautiful!

On Friday 4th March we walked around the small village of Bonshaw and did our part for Clean Up Australia Day. Thank you to Kali, Jackie, Kim and Vina for joining us and helping us keep Bonshaw beautiful!

On Monday the 15th of February I got up at 3:00am. I was on my way to Inverell to catch a bus to Tamworth to get on a train to Sydney. My 2 weeks at Stewart House was absolutely amazing! Good views, good food and great people. Everyone who went had a good time. My first day there I met the rest of the dorm stars boys. They were really nice. Then I started unpacking my bag, and then I chose a bunk bed to sleep on for the rest of my stay. When I woke up the next morning I got dressed to go to Taronga Zoo. We saw tons of animals from the cold blooded to the top of the food chain. Two other things I saw I thought was pretty cool was the seal show. Those seals are so talented. The other thing was the bird show. It was so cool. It was a good day to go because it was there hundred year centenary, pretty long hey! Then after an hour or two we drove back to Stewart House for dinner. The not so good thing was you have to walk up 164 steps to get a meal I let us into the games room and did I tell you they have an indoor cinema!!!!!!! Pretty cool! I recommend Stewart House for people who like a fun time. The cool thing is that we go on excursions every second day. Excursions like the Australian museum, going on a Manly ferry, going to SOAC (Sydney Olympic Aquatic Centre), going to the beach pool and that’s it. The weird thing is that it’s a school too. At school you do art and craft and a couple of lessons but on Friday it was all over. On Friday we went home to our parents. I think anyone who goes there has an amazing experience. By Kane Mulhearn

The Bulletin Board

The next P&C meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 6th April at 2pm in the school library. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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P&C

On Monday the 15th of February at 3:00 am I left home to go to the information centre at Inverell to go to Stewart house. The trip took 9 hours! I would like to go back to Stewart House because it is a great place for getting to know other people from the ACT and places all around Moree. At Stewart House you learn at school how to socialise as well as controlling your attitude and a lot of arts and crafts. At school you can either be in class: A, B, C, D, E or F. School at Stewart House school it is not like normal school. You are taught by very highly trained teachers that are really polite, you go on an excursion every second day such as: Taronga zoo, SOAC, different pools, beaches, Australian museum, the Powerhouse museum and a ferry ride from Manly to Circular Quay. You stay in a cabin. I was in downstairs boys but you can be in upstairs boys, upstairs girls or downstairs girls. I had the supervisors by the name Simon and Morgan and Simon and Rob. In the cabin you have a TV you can stay up until 9:30 pm. The supervisors set up a movie from 8:00 till 9:30 if you talk you get sent to bed. In the mornings you wash your face make your bed and walk to breakfast. The dining room is 164 steps away from the downstairs boy’s cabin from the upstairs boys it is about twenty steps away! Next door there is a games room which has: arcades; hockey, pool and table tennis there are also some consoles such as: PlayStation threes, a WII and a PlayStation two. I let us into the games room and did I tell you they have an indoor cinema!!!!!!! Pretty cool! I recommend it to students who want to explore Sydney as well as learning heaps of awesome stuff! Stewart House changed me to look after myself better and to socialise more and I bet you it can change other students too. Thanks Stewart House.

By William Hamel