Principal’s Report
Over the past three weeks I have spent time getting to know our students, playing handball, kicking a football and just generally having a chat about school life. The students have been very respectful and keen to tell me about the great things that are happening in their school. The school canteen is mentioned very favourably and always with a smile as well as the way the teachers always help in the classrooms and out in the playground.

I had the privilege of attending my first P&C meeting at Glen Innes Public School last Tuesday evening. It nice to meet people who are so motivated to ensure that our students get every opportunity they can from the money raised by the P&C. I would like to encourage more families to get involved with the P&C as it is a very rewarding experience.

Last week I had the opportunity to attend the IndigiKool Day at the showground. I would like to thank Leonie Pettit and her team for organising such a fantastic event, which involved all the pre-schools and Public Schools in the Glen Innes area. Despite the unsettled weather conditions during the day there was a fabulous turn out and the day went very well. We are fortunate to have so many essential services in our area to assist families.

Mr Anthony Buckley, Principal

School News
The school is pleased to notify families that we have recently purchased a new software program called Sentral. This program enables the school to better monitor and record student absences, late arrivals and early departures. The system also allows for sick bay entries and first aid incidents. This system will assist tracking of students activities throughout the day and will eventually encompass student wellbeing and reporting.

Roll marking is also much improved and efficient and you may have had your children talk about the way they register their presence at school on the smartboard in the classroom.

We welcome families into the school and community involvement. There is a duty of care to all our students and as you can appreciate we cannot let unmonitored entry into the school, so remind parents to always come through the office and sign in register your intention.

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Lightning Ridge
Stage 3 Excursion Report
Student Report By David Graham S3MB

Day One Wednesday 14th October

At nine o’clock seventy-five students departed Glen Innes Public School heading for Lightning Ridge. Both buses were filled with singing along the way. Once we were at Lightning Ridge we settled in to our motel, the Wallangulla Motel. We then went on the Red Car Door tour. On the tour we saw Amigo’s Castle, the Astronomers Monument and lots of little quirky houses made out of all sorts of things. We went to the Bowling Club for dinner. It was a massive place. There was lasagne, vegies, chips, fish, salad and lamb in gravy for dinner. For dessert there was chocolate and carrot cake.

Day Two Thursday 15 October

In the morning my group had breakfast at 6.30 a.m. We were the first group in the breakfast room. They were serving juice, cereal and toast. The first thing group one did was go to the AOC (Australian Opal Centre). There we got split up into two groups the first group went up Lunatic Hill to have a look at the open cut opal mine, while the second group did a variety of activities such as looking at animal bones, finding different kinds of fossils, using microscopes to look at different crystal types and telling the difference between fossils and rocks. We had real palaeontologists teaching us! They thought we were all very clever! The two groups then swapped over activities. We gathered at the information centre for morning tea.

Our group went to the Big Opal. We went down the spiral staircase with 150 steps, all wearing hard hats. We walked through an underground mine and saw movie props and looked for black opal seams while we enjoyed the cool, moist environment. We went back up the stairs to watch the opal mining introduction video. After that we had lunch at the Bowling Club again. My group then went to the Chambers of the Black Hand. We walked through, looked at the sandstone carvings and played Where’s Wally. After we finished there we went back and got ready for the pool ...(Aquatic Centre). We headed off without Mrs Bower’s Group who were still enthusiastically sorting fossils and searching for opals. They soon joined us in the cool water. There was an Olympic sized 50metre swimming pool, an indoor Olympic diving centre, a wave pool and slides. People from the Olympic teams even practise there because it is better than the one in Sydney. It was extremely refreshing during a 35 degrees day. We went back to the hotel and got ready for dinner. We had dinner at the Bowling Club again and had a choice of spaghetti bolognaise, chips, roast vegies, chicken schnitzel, pork and gravy with yummy dessert to follow.

Day Three Friday 16th October

On the last day we went to breakfast, cleaned our teeth (of course!), packed our gear and tidied our rooms and then we went to the Bottle house. It was made out made out of 5821 bottles. It had a museum inside. We had a group photo outside a giant concrete mixer at the entrance sign to Lightning Ridge and we headed off. We stopped at Collarenebri to have recess. After that we didn’t stop until Moree to have lunch at Maccas’s, then homeward bound for Glen Innes.

My favourite part was the sandstone carvings at the Chambers of the Black Hand because they were extraordinary. I would also like to personally thank Mrs Bower and Mr Morris for taking us on a great excursion, looking after us and making sure we were all safe and didn’t fall down any mine shafts!! We learnt so much! We would also like to thank Mr Donnelly and Mrs Rizidis-Rowe who came along as parent helpers. We all had a fantastic time.

Q: Do you know how Lightning Ridge got its name?
A: A shepherd and his dog and 600 sheep were all struck by lightning and died. Before that it was called Wallangulla.
High Performing Students Unit

In formation about to apply for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2017?

You must think of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2017.

Screen printing at the Mehi Gallery

The red car door tour

Getting close

Amigo's handbuilt castle

Hannah looking like a true scientist

Jamie ready to find his fortune opal mining

Maddie sorting fossils with a palentologist

There is light at the end of the tunnel
THESE SANDSTONE CARVINGS ARE AMAZING!

WE EVEN FOUND THE BEATLES...

WHAT WAS I?

AN ELUSIVE SEARCH FOR BLACK OPAL!

IT'S ONLY 150 STEPS DOWN!

IT'S NICE AND COOL DOWN HERE...

5821 BOTTLES BUILT THIS HOUSE

SWINGING AT THE AQUATIC CENTRE WAS AWESOME.
S3MB CONTINUE TO ANANTARCTICA

ANTARCTICA IS PRETTY COOL.

WE COULD TELL YOU LOTS OF INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT ANTARCTICA!

I'D REALLY LIKE TO WIN THE DRAWING COMPETITION!

I'M STILL WRITING ABOUT LIGHTNING RIDGE!

WE'RE FINDING OUT ABOUT THE NAMES AND HEIGHTS OF PENGUINS.

FROM JAPAN TO LIGHTNING RIDGE... NO ANTARCTICA WHERE TO NEXT??

CHILL.. IT'S ONLY THE CODING STRATEGY... WE MIGHT STILL FIND WOLVES!!
WE ARE THE CARETAKERS OF OUR WORLD AND THE CHOICES WE MAKE WILL DECIDE IT'S FUTURE

HOW FAR IS MT. FUJI FROM ANTARCTICA?

FUTURE EXPLORERS

WORKING ON ANTARCTICA CREATIONS
Selective Schools applications now open online

Farrer is the only all-boys government Agricultural high school in Australia &
would like to inform parents of current Year 5 students, that
registration for Year 7 2017 is now open online.

To register your son to sit the Selective Schools test visit the Farrer website
and follow the Selective Schools link. Applications close 16th November.
For further enquiries contact Farrer on 6764 8600.

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Raffle at door. Drawn 13 November