THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:
"If you view all the things that happen to you, both good and bad, as opportunities, then you operate out of a higher level of consciousness."

L. Brown (1945 - )

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

STAFF STAR OF THE WEEK

Darlene Erieau (Mrs E)

I have been teaching at Sandon Public School since 2008. I began working at Sandon in a casual capacity and started full time in August 2012 when I replaced Helen Bull on a 5/6 class while she went on maternity leave. I have had the privilege of working full-time and being involved in the students’ lives since then. I have taught students in Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3 and loved every moment of it!

I grew up out of town at Arding and still have family in the Armidale area. After high school I went to the Armidale College of Advanced Education (now known as NECOM, and originally the Armidale gaol!) to earn my teaching degree. I then taught in an expatriate school in Papua New Guinea. This is where I met my husband, who is American. After spending 15 years in Papua New Guinea, we moved back to Armidale. We have four children aged 14-19.
School Administrative and Support Staff (SASS) Recognition Week
31st August – 4th September

The school community is made up of many different people, all of whom play a part in the running of schools and the provision of quality education to students.

School administrative and support staff, whether they work in the office, the library, on the school grounds or in a classroom setting (or all of the above) are important contributors to the success of the school and children’s education.

SAS staff recognition week is an opportunity for the school community to acknowledge the vital role that SAS staff plays in education.

On behalf of the teachers, the students, the parents and carers I would like to thank our wonderful SAS staff for the support they provide each and every day at Sandon Public School.

BOOK WEEK – Thank you!

Thank you to all parents, carers, staff and students for their participation this week in our annual Book Week Festivities. In particular sincere thanks to those who were able to support our annual Book Fair, which assists the school in purchasing much-needed resources. Thanks also for your wonderful support of our Book Character Parade today. The children looked fabulous in their costumes.

I would like to acknowledge once again the great work of Mrs Schmude and her team of dedicated helpers – teachers, parents and students - who did such a fantastic job in decorating the library and organising the Book Fair.

Sports Leadership Day

On Wednesday 26th August a group of Year 6 leaders were lucky enough to be invited to attend a sports leadership day at Duval High School. During the day all students rotated through sporting activities which included skill and drill sessions in soccer, hockey, fundamental movement skills, basketball and rugby league. All the children were active participates during the day and learnt lots. They loved their high school mentors and would like to thank the Duval High School leaders and teachers for a great day.
**Education Week/Literacy Week Assembly, Open Classrooms and Morning Tea**

Yesterday students took home an invitation to our special assembly, open classroom morning and morning tea to be held next Friday 4th September. It would be wonderful to see as many parents and carers as possible join us for the morning.

**Planning for 2016**

While 2016 may seem a long way off we have already begun some preliminary planning for next year. In order to assist us with this, we would ask any family who knows that they will be moving elsewhere at the end of the year, to please notify the school as soon as possible so that we can take this into account. Also, if you know of any families with kindergarten students for 2016 please let them know we are taking enrolments now. Thank you for your assistance and understanding in this matter.

**AN EVENING WITH ACOS**

Don’t forget to purchase your tickets for the Armidale Community of Schools Creative Arts Concert on Tuesday 2nd September. These are available at Readers Companion Book Store in the Armidale Mall. Tickets are $15.00 for adults and $10.00 for children. We have Sandon students performing in the Stage 1 dance group, in Mrs Fabian’s drama group, in the Community of Schools Choir and Orchestra as well as in the Welcome to Country Dance Group. It will be a wonderful evening showcasing the creative talents of children in Armidale.

**PARKING OUTSIDE SANDON**

Please DO NOT park your car across people’s driveways just up from school as there is a resident with a medical condition who needs to be able to exit their driveway at all times. Please do the right thing by our neighbours. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

**SANDON P&C UPDATE**

**MESSAGE FROM THE CLOTHING POOL**

The Clothing Pool will now be open 2 afternoons each week - Wednesday & Friday from 2:45pm-3:30pm. The co-ordinators look forward to helping you with your school uniform needs. Thank you Sarah Hillier & Robyn Johnson Co-ordinators

**CANTEEN SPECIAL FOR MONDAY 31/8/15**

This Monday Chicken Burgers will be $3.00

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*Armidale Little Athletics*

**Registration Days**

Thursday 10th and 17th September 2015

4-6pm

Harris Park Club house, Kirkwood Street, Armidale

Cost: $80 per child/athlete plus uniform

New registrations please bring proof of age

Contact: president@armidalelac.org.au

Phone: 0427 752 022

Website: www.armidalelac.org.au
DAFFODIL DAY
We have a limited number of pens ($1.00) and key rings ($8.00) for sale at the Office for those wishing to support this very worthwhile charity.

SHINE AWARDS
GREEN
Wade

PURPLE
Sean
Maielle
2/3D
Kathrine
Bradley
3/4L

3/4P
Hamish
Zac
Assaf
Akiylah
Lily
Emily
Isaac
4/5/6H
Braith
Luke
Samantha
Madison
Taju
Jarvis
Connar
5/6R
Bailey
Ashley
Ella-rose
Lizzie
Niamh
Michael
Irena

Father's Day Stall!

Items will cost between $3 and $10

Buy your Dad something nice and support the P&C at the same time.

When: Friday 4th September from 11 am
(after the Education Week Assembly)

Where: Sandon Cantoon