FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK
This has been a very busy week at Sandon Public School with rehearsals, performances, excursions, a special assembly and open classrooms. We also had a visit from the Board of Studies who came to review our mathematics and HSIE programs and look at various school policies. I am sure those parents who were able to view their child’s classroom today and join them for morning tea enjoyed the experience.

An Evening with ACOS
On Wednesday evening Sandon Public School students joined students from other Armidale schools in the 2015 Armidale Community of Schools Concert. It was a magnificent evening showcasing the talents of our boys and girls. We had students in the Combined School’s Orchestra and the Combined School’s Choir. Our beautiful Stage 1 dance group and the Sandon Drama Group also performed. We are very proud of our students for the many hours they have put into rehearsals and for their effort on the night.

Special thanks to Mrs Fabian, Mrs Palfreyman and Mrs Kirkaldy for their many hours of extra work preparing the students for their performances. I would also like to thank the other staff members who helped out on the night with supervising and organising the students.

Finally, thank you so much to our wonderful parents and carers who came out on a cold evening to watch the performance and / or to deliver and collect their children so that they could participate in this event.

CALENDAR – 2015

**General School Contributions are now due:** $45.00 per family
Art & Craft fee $10.00 per student (maximum $30.00 per family)

**Please keep making payments for the Stage 3 Lake Keepit excursion**

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**SPECIAL ASSEMBLY**
This year we combined our *Education Week Assembly* with our *Literacy and Numeracy Week Assembly*. I was very honoured to present our Education Week awards at the assembly today. Congratulations to the following people on their outstanding contributions to our school:

**Student Award: Joshua Parker**
For outstanding academic achievement and commitment to his learning. Joshua demonstrates exceptional citizenship, leadership and participation in all aspects of school life.

**Parent Award: Jo Tierney**
For outstanding service to the students, staff and parents of Sandon Public School through her volunteer work, in particular in the library, over many years.

**Staff Award: Alison Cornall and Adele Rae**
Alison’s work as our ESL teacher is outstanding. She provides wonderful support to our overseas students and their families as well as the classroom teachers.

Adele is well-known by all in the Sandon community for her generosity of time, her friendly approachable nature and her commitment to our students and their families.

**Community Member: Armidale Central Rotary Club**
In appreciation of the Rotary Club’s ongoing support of Sandon Public School students and their generous donation to our technology upgrade.

**SANDON STARS NETTA TEAM**
Congratulations to the Sandon Stars netta team. The girls had a wonderful season of netball, with all of them developing their skills tremendously and always putting in 100% effort. WELL DONE GIRLS!!
I would like to say a big thank you to the Sandon P&C, Joe Latham and Northey Plastering who sponsored our team’s new netball uniforms. The bodysuits looked great and all the girls loved them! The *Sandon Super Sparkles* have their Grand Final game next weekend, 12th September. Good luck girls, I know you will do great!

**CHESS REPORT**
On Wednesday 2nd September, Bailey, Josiah, Frankie, John, Howard, Adyn, Joshua and Zaiden went over to St Marys to play in the chess tournament. Everyone had a lot of fun there. There were three Sandon teams consisting of three students and we all played 7 games each. The games went for 25-30 minutes.
None of the Sandon teams won but we still enjoyed the day.
We would like to thank Geert and Mr McLean for organising the day and helping us to improve our chess skills.
Josiah and Bailey
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

Earn and learn finishes Tuesday 8th September.
Please collect points at every opportunity and send them to the school as soon as possible.

SANDON P&C UPDATE
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Junior Cricket registration
Season Begins Saturday 16th October
Registrations are now open!
Clubs will be nominating teams into the competition on Wednesday 16th September, so contact your club NOW to ensure your spot in a team.
Club Contacts:
Hillgrove: Ian Reaves, Ian.Reaves@det.nsw.edu.au Ph: 6477 767 400
Uralla: Andrew Page, rosannaasam@gmail.com Ph: 0400 672 748
North Armidale: Peter Collins, kinniarm@iinet.net.au Ph: 0428 600 218
NSC: Mark McEwen, jmcmec1980@hotmail.com Ph: 0413 462 492
Gunnedah: Craig Locke, c.locke@bigpond.com Ph: 0427 913 312
Junior Cricket for 5-6 year olds: michael.m.heid@nsw.edu.au

contact your club before 16th September

Softball Armidale INC.
REGISTRATION DAY
SATURDAY 6th SEPTEMBER 2015
Sportspower: in store 9am - 12 noon
New Home ground at Moran Oval
(Cnr Kentucky and Taylor Street)
New 10 week season starts on Friday 9th October
Age 5-11 $60
Age 12-16 $75
Age 17+ $90
(Playable on Registration Day)

Get active, have fun,
Join us or make a team!!
Come and play T-ball,
Med Ball or local Softballs
Bring your friends or come
and make new friends.
School teams are welcome

For further information or for
Anyone willing to play at any level, umpire or play
Please contact: Naomi Bassett on 0408 022 779 or
Amy Kiel Marder on 0468 652 765
Or Email to: armidalesoftball@hotmail.com

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@armidalelacr.org.au
Phone: 0427 752 022
Website: www.armidalelacr.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
Kory
Mia
PURPLE
Jacob
Michael
KC
Brayden
Ellen
KM
Chelsea
Sinja
IT
Tom
Olivia
1/2J
Ben
Alma
2/3D
Bradley
Chloe
3/4L
Fatima
Zaiden
3/4P
Reema
Daniel
4/5/6H
Jessica
Madison
5/6R
Bailey
Charnele
Sandon Public School Ladies Pamper Night

24th October, 2015
6.30pm - 10.30pm
Sandon School Hall

Lucky door prizes
and Silent Auction

Raffle tickets can be purchased from the Sandon School Office, for $10.00 each, from Monday 7th September.
(The raffle is limited to 400 tickets)

1st prize: Thermomix plus accessories
2nd prize: 2 nights in a Spa Villa, Emerald Beach Holiday Park
3rd prize: Printer

Entry fee: $10.00 per person (paid at the door on the night)

Finger food provided, please bring your own drinks.

RSVP to Megan Tijani on 0404460597 or by email (mytijani@gmail.com) by Wednesday 14th October, 2015.

(For Adults only, no children permitted)