PRINCIPALS MESSAGE
We have come to the end of another busy term and I’d like to congratulate all our students for their efforts this semester and also our amazing staff for the outstanding work they do in the education of our students and in making Duranbah PS the happy, caring and safe school that it is. I am thankful every day to be able to work with such fantastic students, parents and staff in a truly beautiful setting.
We have been conducting parent/teacher interviews over the last two weeks. Thank you to those parents who have been able to attend. If you were unable to attend due to other commitments and would like to speak to any of the teachers we are always available, just contact the office.

Rural Fire Service
Many thanks to the organisers and volunteers from the RFS for running the ‘Kids Firewise’ program with our students. This culminated last week with a visit by the fire engine which kids found most enjoyable.

‘Footsteps for Food’ - You have a friend
Well done to our student leaders for their organisation of this charity event and the participation of our students. Thank you to parents and community members for your kind donations to a worthwhile cause.

I’d like to wish everyone a safe enjoyable holiday break. School resumes on Tuesday 14 July (teachers return Monday 13 July). A reminder that the Small Schools Athletics Carnival will be held on Wednesday 15 July (those involved have received a note) and Thursday 16 July for the whole school.

Chris Pritchard, Principal

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK TERM 2

CONGRATULATIONS

Primary Week 8
Kodi

Infants Week 8
Layla

Infants Week 9
Zeph

Primary Week 9
Jasmin
LAUNCH INTO LIFE
As part of the ‘Launch into Life Program’ our Year 5 and 6 students joined with other local students to visit the Gold Coast Campus of Griffith University. This day is aimed at introducing parents and students to university life and also gaining an appreciation that everyone can study at a tertiary level if they aspire to. The students had opportunities to engage in hands on science, drama, health and sport activities.
Student groups were supported by Griffith University students. On the day both Fingal PS and our students were assisted by Tahlia, an urban planning student. She was a knowledgeable and caring ambassador for the university.

FIRE EDUCATION
Last week our students completed their final fire education session with the NSW Rural Fire Service. The session ended with students testing the capacity of the fire truck’s fire hoses and exploring the truck itself. Some parents were lucky to stay dry! As a result of the program our students have learnt:
Fire fighters are our friends and are there to help.
How to get out of a smoke filled room; Get down low and go, go, go.
What to do if their clothing catches fire: Stop, drop, cover and roll.
The importance of talking with their parents or carers about a safe exit plan from their home.
The sessions have been invaluable in teaching our students the dangers of fire and behaviours needed to keep themselves safe around fires. We look forward to our community firefighters visiting again.

MURWILLUMBAH HIGH SCHOOL CREATIVE ARTS PERFORMANCE
Talented Murwillumbah High Students enthralled our students last Friday with performances including dance, singing, instrumental, gymnastics and drama. Exceptional visual art, many of which were HSC pieces, were also displayed. Many of our students were excited to see a ceramic dragon created by Eliza’s brother Jack.
The performance demonstrated the wealth of exceptional talent in our local high school community and is also a good lead into the Stewart House Concert in Term 3, which is also held at Murwillumbah HS.