

Pilliga Public School Newsletter

The little school that's BIG on learning

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Cultural Day with Phillip Green

On Friday we had another great cultural day at Pilliga Public School when Phillip 'Wildman' Green came to talk and perform for our students about Indigenous culture.



The highlights were; investigating our local area and finding evidence of (post colonization) Aboriginal cut glass near the lagoon (the glass was carefully sharpened by carving out flecks and would have been used as a cutting tool), and also collecting resin from trees and grinding it into a powder that was then heated and used as a traditional style glue to make our own mini axe.

COMING UP:

- 17/8 Jump Rope for Heart
- 19/8 Canteen Meeting
- 29/8 EXCURSION

This visit is another example of Pilliga Public School's commitment to our third Strategic Direction: Cultural and Community Inclusion, utilising the Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS) grant funding.



Canteen Meeting

There will be a meeting for school canteen parents and volunteers on Friday 19th of August at 3.30pm. If you have any questions, please phone **Jasmine Pagett on** 0411 383 531





Excursion Payment

The final instalment for the Excursion fee is now due.

Kindergarten & Year I \$80

Year 2—Year 6 \$120

Please make a prompt payment to the school office.

Jump Rope for Heart

On Wednesday afternoon, we will be joined by Gwabegar to participate in Jump Rope for Heart. We have a coach coming out to run us through some games and drills. Make sure your child comes to school in their Sports uniform and joggers.

Since it began in 1983, more than 90% of all Australian schools, and over eight million kids, have participated in *Jump Rope for Heart*. Each year the program gets more than 280,000 school students from over 1,400 schools around Australia up and skipping.

Children learn physical activities like ropejumping to help improve their strength, gain confidence, build stamina and extend their physical abilities in other activities



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Rugby Union Coaching Clinic

On Monday, Gus from NSW Rugby Union came to Pilliga to train us in football skills. We played a lot of different games to test our agility and speed, and we learnt some new ball skills. At the end of the day, our school leaders (Esther Knowles, Kira Moore and Jordan Mitchell) each took a turn at coaching by running the combined Pilliga and Gwabegar schools through a game. They did a fantastic job!



PILLIGA & Surrounds Community Fun Day

WHEN: Thursday the 29th September 2016 EREE FROM: 11 am til 2 pm

WHERE: Pilliga CTC building & grounds CONTACT Chloe or Kirren on

(02) 67 925 514 for more information.

NEW ENGLAND NORTH WEST HealthWISE

> 'Paradise Fresh' Fruit and veg hampers for lucky door prizes

- Local DJ Bombz.
- FREE BBQ lunch.
- Face painting by Fairy "Rose Sparkle"
- Craft and painting activities
- Health checks and information.