Principal’s Report
It was wonderful to see our Creative and Performing Arts talent on show for the Kurri Kurri Learning Community on Tuesday night. Our choir were the best on the night and our dancers wowed the audience with their routine to the Guy Sebastian song, Gold. Thank you to all of the performers, and thank you to our teachers, Mrs Knight and Mrs Simpson, for their coaching efforts. Some of you may have also seen our gifted and talented Year 6 students presenting their projects for a new suburb near the Hunter Economic Zone on Tuesday night. The level of engagement and the quality of the work produced was just inspiring. They had quite a large audience to present to on the night and did a great job.

PBL Rap - Safe Hands and Feet
This week the whole school learnt a rap about our PBL expectation, of having ‘Safe hands and feet’, and keeping sticks on the ground. On Thursday we had some ‘special guests’ perform the rap. Let’s just say the students, and the teachers enjoyed the performance!

Bulldogs/Goannas Cup
Our Year 5 and 6 Rugby League team participated in the Bulldogs/Goannas Cup on Wednesday. The boys and girls were able to notch a win against Cessnock Public School but unfortunately were narrowly beaten by the much bigger schools, Kurri Kurri and Nulkaba. It is great to see the students engage so well in a sport they love to play. Special mention goes to Emily Gordon and Amy Stackman for being actively involved in a sport that is generally dominated by boys.
Zone Public Speaking
We have eight students participating in the Zone Public Speaking Finals at Nulkaba Public School next Monday and Tuesday. Stella C and Hayley R, from Kindergarten, and Amy Stackman and Skyla Beeston, from Year 6, will be participating on Monday. Blake Masterman and Paul Jimenez, from Stage 2, and Jordan Holt and Tayah Haggarty, from Stage 1 will be participating on Tuesday. We wish these students all the best for success at the finals.

Assembly - Education Week Awards
Our next assembly will take place on Friday 8th August at 2.30pm in the Hall. The assembly will be run by 3W who will also be performing on the day. Education Week awards will be presented at the assembly in addition to our class awards. We hope to see you there!

Tree Lopping Timeframe
The trimming and removal of trees in the playground will take place in approximately two weeks. As I mentioned last week, our playground area has been disrupted by the temporary fencing. I apologise for this inconvenience.

Staff Movement
Mrs Belinda Lantry returns from maternity leave next Wednesday. She will continue teaching 4L on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Mr Burley will continue to teach the class on Monday & Tuesday.

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Book Week and Grandparents Day
Our book week parade will be combined with Grandparents day on Wednesday the 20th August. The book week theme this year is Connect to Reading. Students are asked to come dressed as their favourite book character. There will be a Book Fair in the Library on that day starting at 9am until 10am for Parents and Grandparents, then the book parade will commence in the hall at 10am. It will reopen at lunch time for Grandparents and Students to purchase some books. By purchasing a book you are helping our Library to obtain new resources. There will be an interesting choice of books starting from $2. Cash will be the method of payment on the day.

We are asking that students bring in fresh flowers and some morning tea to share with their Grandparents, on the day please take the food and flowers to the staffroom. For families with more than one child you only need to provide one plate. Come along, have some morning tea & join the fun.

Breakfast Club
Parents please note, there will be no Breakfast Club on Tuesday or Thursday next week.

Live Life Well at School
Keeping lunchboxes safe
• Before preparing your child’s lunchbox, always wash your hands and ensure you have a clean chopping board, lunchboxes and utensils.
• Bacteria that cause food poisoning grow at room temperature so it is a good idea to keep lunchboxes cold, even in winter. Include a frozen drink or ice-brick to keep sandwiches fresh & safe.
• Wrap frozen drinks in a paper towel to stop condensation making lunches soggy.

Be selective about what you pack, especially on hot days. Try to avoid cold meats, chicken and eggs on hot days.

Shaun Graham - Principal

Eco Explorers Week 4
Trevor K/1, William 1K, Cody H K/1 and Jamie K/1.