Cooking with Faye..... Spinach and Cheese Rolls

In our cooking class we cooked Spinach and Cheese rolls. Because the students enjoyed them so much, I thought it would be nice to share the recipe.

**Ingredients:**
1. Large bunch of silverbeet or English spinach
2. 1 onion chopped finely.
3. 1 cup grated cheese (or more if you like it extra cheesy!)
4. Puff Pastry

**Directions:**
1. Cook and chop the spinach/silverbeet. Drain well and allow to cool slightly. Add one chopped onion and one cup or more of grated cheese and combine.
2. Cut each sheet of partially thawed puff pastry in half. Spoon 1/2 cup of the mixture along one edge. Roll up into a log/roll.
3. Cut into desired lengths, brush top with milk.
4. Place on a greased oven tray and bake for 20 minutes in a 200 degree oven until golden.

Regards Faye, PCW at Palmer Primary School
Pupil Free Day—Friday the 12th of August
Katrina, Meagan, Julie and I spent last Friday in a partnership wide moderation day during which we were exploring the Australian Curriculum Achievement Standards and the different levels and standards at which students can achieve. What was quite surprising was that across the partnership, two thirds of students in almost every year level were achieving at either a “C” or a “D” level in English and Mathematics. Whilst this was confronting and concerning, it gives us a chance to reflect on the learning opportunities that are created for students to achieve at “A” and “B” levels.

Interviews
While we are on the topic of grading and assessment, I would like to remind everyone that interviews are available during week nine and ten of this term. This is a great opportunity to discuss your child’s mid-year report with their class teacher and myself, discuss assessments including NAPLAN (for students in years 3, 5 and 7) PAT testing and both formative and summative assessments that occur everyday. Notes about interviews will be sent home soon, so please keep an eye out for these and make a time to discuss your child’s learning. As always, we are also available outside of these times to discuss any issues or concerns you may have.

School Closure Day—Friday September 2nd
Just another reminder that we will be having a school closure day on Friday the 2nd of September. This is the agreed date as it is the same day that Murray Bridge High School will have their school closure.

NAPLAN Online trials
I am very relieved to say that the NAPLAN online trials held here this week were a success. Students in years 3, 5 and 7 were the ‘pioneers’ for Palmer PS and got to trial the new online platform. Feedback from all students was positive as they enjoyed using the headphones and online tools such as rulers etc, rather than the paper versions that they used in May of this year. Luckily the wind wasn’t too bad both days and the internet managed to last throughout both test sessions. We look forward to using the online version of NAPLAN testing in 2017 and beyond.

Kind regards,
Lauren

Small Schools combined Sports Day
Thursday September 29 at Truro Oval

Family name:………………………………

☐ I am able to drive to Truro Oval on Thursday September 29 for combined Sports Day.
☐ I can transport an additional ……. students in my car.
☐ I am unable to transport my child/ren to Truro oval for combined Sports Day on Thursday September 29 and would like them to be transported there by another family or Palmer PS staff member.

Please return to the front office as soon as possible so that we may begin arranging transport as required—thank you for your support in this.

Book Week at Palmer Primary School — Week 6 Term 3

We will be having a Book Week Parade on Thursday, September 1 at 9:00 a.m. We would love it if your child could come dressed as their favourite book character on this morning. Please note that we do not expect families to have to purchase a new costume, and if you need any help with an idea or a dress up, please see a staff member if we can help at all. We will be walking up the main street past the General Store, then down towards the hotel, down Education Avenue and back to school. Following this, each group will be performing their oral reading of their chosen Book Week book, and finally there will be a ‘Book Week Bonanza’ where students will team up with adults to answer questions about books from Book Week. We will finish the celebrations with a short Assembly presenting awards to those students who have successfully completed the 2016 Premier’s Reading Challenge.