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2016 Young Archie’s UPDATE –

Congratulations to all students from foundation to Grade 6 on completing the Young Archie’s 2016 Portrait competition. The effort that was put in to completing these portraits was absolutely amazing! We are very excited to see quite a few of our talented artists as finalists this year.

The Ballarat Art gallery asked us to shortlist the 225 completed portraits from Haddon to 125, which was a very difficult task. These were handed in to the team at the Gallery along with almost 4000 others from children in schools across Ballarat. The judging panel at the gallery then had the enormous task of shortlisting them again to 100 works in each age group (Foundation – Grade 2, Grades 3-5 and Grades 6-8). A very special guest, the 2016 Archibald Prize Finalist, David Butterworth was asked to judge the portraits and select a 1st, 2nd and 3rd from each age group. The Ballarat Art Gallery are inviting all 300 finalists to a Young Archie’s Awards night on Friday 14th October, where the winners will be announced.

The 300 finalists will have their work displayed in separate locations in Ballarat by the end of this week. Foundation – Grade 2 Finalists – Located in windows in Lydiard Street – Between Mair and Sturt. Grades 3-5 Finalists – Located on the atrium glass panels around the escalator well in Central Square. Grades 5-8 Finalists – Located in windows of ANZ Bridge Mall.

The Ballarat Courier is running a separate competition - The People’s Choice. Photos were taken of all 300 finalists and are on the courier website. Please have a look and VOTE, VOTE, VOTE!!! http://www.thecourier.com.au/story/4199187/cast-your-vote-for-ballarats-young-archie-finalists/?cs=70

Please note: some of the children are not in the correct year groups on the website. I have found a few of our grade 6’s in the grade 3-5 group.

This week the Ballarat CBD will be transformed into a portrait gallery! The rest of the shortlisted portraits (approximately 100 from Haddon) will be displayed together in trader’s windows by the end of this week. Keep your eyes peeled....When I find out where they are I will let everyone know!

On Tuesday 25th October there will be a Young Archie’s celebration night where everyone is invited to attend. There will be entertainment and activities for the whole family!

Names of the finalists from Haddon will be emailed to me early next week, however if you would like to have a look on the Courier website you can see who our finalists are.

Once again, well done to all Haddon Primary Students and Good Luck to our finalists.

Deanne Beseler.
Division Athletics Carnival

On the 4th of October, our students were scheduled to participate in the Division Athletics Carnival at Llanberris Park in Ballart. We had an astounding 16 students qualify for this round, however due to severe weather conditions the day was cancelled after only one event. The carnival will no longer take place, but we would like to acknowledge the students who braved the weather in readiness to participate.

Nedd Bennet
Liam Muscat
Noah Shea
Dakota Hare
Molly Richardson
Caitlyn Hayles
Wiley Anderson
Cameron Marshall
Jacob Fletcher
Eli Southurst
Campbell Brown
Noah Southurst
Tyson Muscat
Molly Klix
Koby Middleton
Olivia Farquhar

Well done on all your effort and determination!

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