## **Mrs Simpson's Sizzling Spotlight**

## End of Year Student Award Ceremonies

This week's Sizzling Spotlight is all about our **End of Year Student Award Ceremonies.** The end of every school year brings a time of celebration and recognition of another successful school year. It's a time of pride and joy for students and families as they reflect on their hard work and academic, sporting and cultural successes.

Hosted every year on the Thursday morning in Week 10 is our **Years 4-6 Senior Awards Ceremony**. This ceremony formally recognises students who have achieved success throughout the year in the following categories and offers an opportunity for families to celebrate with their child. This award ceremony also recognises past students and staff with our prestigious awards listed below. It's also an opportunity to formally thank our current school leaders on a 'job well done' and present to the community our incoming student leadership team.

- Years 4, 5 & 6 English, Maths, Science & HASS academic excellence and encouragement
- Year 6 Excellence Awards for English, Maths, Science & HASS
- Year 5 & 6 LOTE Auslan
- Year 5 & 6 boys & girls sports
- Years 4, 5 & 6 Instrumental Music
- Year 6 Academic Dux
- Year 6 <u>Frosty Firth</u> award for the students displaying sporting talent and expertise in their chosen field
- Year 6 <u>Charlotte Allen</u> award for the student who always tries their best or gives 100% in academic, sporting and community activities
- Year 6 <u>Bill Vine</u> music award for the student displaying musical talent and expertise playing their chosen instrument
- Year 6 Mark Ramsey Memorial Arts award for the student who

demonstrates a love of the Arts

Hosted in weeks 9 & 10 of Term 4 are our **Prep-Year 3 Award Ceremonies.** These ceremonies recognise every student in Prep to Year 3 with a certificate of 'well done' in an area the student has excelled. These ceremonies are often less formal than the senior awards ceremony and are used as a way to conclude the formal learning for the year.

For all of our award ceremonies, families are an important aspect and we invite families annually to these events, pending COVID restrictions. We recognise the important role our families play in supporting and encouraging our students to not only attend school, but to engage in the many opportunities we have on offer.

A special mention to the Mareeba SS P&C who generously donate a thank you gift for each of our teachers, handed out during the award ceremonies. Whilst these ceremonies are a time for students and families to celebrate, it's also a time of reflection and accomplishment for our educators.



