Life is better now than in the past. Firstly, 160 years ago you didn’t have good health because if you got a bad cold, you could not get better. Now if you got a cold you would go to the doctor and he or she will make you better. Health is better now than then. Secondly there is better communication because then, to talk to a friend from a foreign country, you would write a letter and have it shipped off for 6 months overseas for it to get to the person. Bad for emergencies and Birthday letters. Now you can just get your iPhone and call them. Now is better now than then. Thirdly, I think that in the past everybody needed a horse and cart to get around. Your horse could catch a disease and die. That would never happen to a car. Back then to go to a different city, you would grab your horse and take a ride that could take weeks. Now you can take a plane and it would take only hours. Transport is better now than then.

In conclusion, I am definitely sure that now is better than then.

*Isaac*

**Vampire Castle**
It was just Pop and me no one else. My parents had died in a horrifying car crash when I was born. All I could remember from that day was my parents driving home with me in the backseat. My parents were so overjoyed with my presence to the world that as they were nearing a corner they missed a red light and went crashing into another car. An almighty bang echoed off the empty streets as millions of tiny shards of glass flew up in the air and landed on the dark street. My parents had died, and I lived.

The next few months were treacherous. A funeral was arranged a few weeks after, and there was great debate where I would live. But Pop took me in, and we have lived together ever since.

I was at the front of the house, waiting for Pop. The sticky weather in the big city clamped onto my singlet and shorts. Flies buzzed around me, joining the never ending noise that surrounded our house. It was a hot day, the middle of summer and our ancient air conditioner was on full blast. I hoped my Pop could get the hose working, so we could hose down in the cool water. I couldn’t take it any more. The heat was a nuisance. But just like I expected, Pop came round the side of the house carrying a big bucket of water. That grin was impossible not to laugh at.

"Got the water"? I say hopefully.
"The last of it," he said.
We both grinned, and tipped water down each other’s shirts as the weather remained hot.
After each others showering, we discussed what we were to do next.
"Park" I say confidently.
“Park it is”.
As we head over to the natural park across the road, I bring my Blues football with me. I spin it up in the air the whole way across the road, careful not to drop it. I stop as we reach the park. The park is possibly my favourite place in the world. There are birds chirping heartful melodies in the maple trees, and frogs and fish splashing around cheerfully in the crystal blue waters of the pond. To be continued…………

Oliver

Joke
Joke Of The Newsletter: Where does a turtle go when it’s raining?
A shell-ter.

Question
Who invented the telephone and in what year? (Mr Pope will hand out a prize for who guesses the question right first.)

Trivia
Did You Know? Two year old Dwanna Lee of Eureka, Utah, was struck by a freight train and thrown 3 metres in the air. The engine and six cars passed over her body, and yet she survived without injury!
Did You Know? The biggest Lego tower was built to 80 metres tall!

Soccer Gala Day
It was an amazing day. Everybody tried there hardest. We made an early start. We put our shin pads on. When the day ended every bodies legs were aching. We drew twice. We lost once. We got smashed in the last game. The girls were great. We kicked the boys to the dirt. The boys were great too. Everyone was great.
Joel and Chantel scored a goal by themselves.
Joel scored a lot and also Will tried his hardest to travel too travel the whole field and almost scored. Other hardworking members of our team were Grace, Emma, Jaime, Corey, Jay, Isaac, Jono, Bethany, Ellie, Chloe and Bailey.

Grace

Today Westbrook and Traveller learnt all about sustainability and how to be sustainable by doing things at home or school like not wasting water, or electricity. Natalie from Environmentors gave us some activities and a talk to help us make our environment a better place. Wollondilly Shire Council provided this service at no charge. It was exciting.

Alyssa

This is a little story about our exciting first Soccer Gala day. We had one amazing win against Currans Hill 15-1, two amazing ties, one team was very rough but tied with Camden 2-2 and Mount Annan 2-2 and one loss to Narellan Vale 0-5.
The seniors consisted of 4 boys Blake, Brodie, Oliver and Josh. Blake and Brodie were amazing attackers, scoring many goals with the help of Oliver running back and forth so many times he was exhausted by the end of the day.
The girls were also amazing. We kicked some opposition (who were mostly boys) backsides. The girls me (Emily), Natika, Georgia, and Alyssa never gave up. We tackled we booted, we defended, we attacked. I would like to say a big thanks to all of the parents that supported and encouraged us and a big thanks to Mr Pope, for making this all happen.

Emily

Welcome …..
I’ve mentioned it before but again we welcome Miss Makragic who is currently working part time on Traveller. Miss Makragic has settled in already to her new role in the class and school. As previously mentioned she comes with loads of skills and experience. Miss Makragic and Mrs Gray will be working closely to ensure an ‘outstanding’ learning experience for our Yr 2 students. Please make her feel welcome.

Thank you
Thanks Gav for fixing the flag pole.

Help Needed …..
The P & C are planning to run a Book Fair and Car Boot Market on Saturday 13 October! We will also be selling refreshments and operating a few rides i.e. jumping castle. To ensure this goes ahead and that we make the most of this ‘fundraising’ event we are asking for volunteers to help run stalls/table, assist with organisation, or any other numerous methods of support. If you can help, please let us know

Yes I am able to help at the Book Fair and Car Boot Market

It would be appreciated if you could let us know by our next P & C on 18 June (11 June is a public holiday)

Woolworths Earn & Learn
Cards are being sent home so if you shop at Woolies why not help out. LAST YEAR WE GOT SOME GREAT Science gear and books.

Don’t forget tomorrow MT Hunter school time will be normal, but Zone Cross Country won’t commence until 10.15am.

COMING UP
P&C meeting :– 18 June 7pm – All welcome.

Gymnastics:- (note home soon)

Broken Bay Camp – 7th – 9th November.. Note coming soon so payments can be made.

Stewart House:- Bags due back 21/5/12

Book Fair and Car Boot Market:- Saturday 13 October