Welcome Back - hope you had a lovely break
The last week of Term 1 was certainly very busy. We held our annual Easter Hat Parade including our P&C Raffle winners, ANZAC Day Ceremony and Welfare Assembly. It was great to see so many parents and community members visiting our school for these events.

Term 2 is going to be a busy term also. It is only 9 weeks long and we have our Year 3 and Year 5 students participating in NAPLAN testing in Week 3, Early Stage 1 and Stage 3 excursions, Cross Country, Mortimer Shield, Occupational Therapy sessions, Music Stars program, Science Day, Netball Gala Day and student reports and parent interviews. Be sure to watch our important dates!

Riverina Dance Success
Our school dance group has been successful in gaining entry into the 2014 Riverina Dance Festival for their performance- Yen-nang-allea (Let us both walk). Performances for the Dance Festival are on Friday 20 June, 2014. The matinee performance will commence at 12.30pm and end no later than 2.45pm. The evening performance will begin at 7.00pm and end at approximately 9.30pm. Further information will be provide to parents of those children participating closer to the date.

This is an amazing achievement for our students and Mrs Peel. We are very proud of our students and wish them well. Any parents that can help sew costumes for the event please see Mrs Peel or Mrs Whyte.
“Respect for ourselves guides our morals; respect for others guides our manners.”

Laurence Sterne

Messages for our parents

K-2 P&C Fun Run
Infants students will participate in a fun run this Friday at 12.00pm-1.00pm at Ashmont Oval. Parents are welcome to attend.

Cross Country
Stage 2 and 3, as well as any Year 2 students who are turning 8 this year, will be participating in the Cross Country run this Friday. We are eagerly awaiting notes and money to be returned to school. We are also anticipating having lunch, and possibly recess, at Apex Park. Please do not order lunch and recess from the canteen this day.

The Deep
Stage 3 have an unprecedented opportunity to attend a performance of The Deep, a play based on a studied novel, at the Civic Theatre next week. Remember to get the note and money in as soon as possible.

Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
Our annual Canberra excursion is on Friday 16 May. Please ensure permission note and money are returned promptly as there is only a limited number of spaces and you don’t want to miss out!

Important Dates

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Professional Guitar & Keyboard Tuition at School
The Music Stars program will commence this term for those students who returned their money last term. Please note that this is a commitment for the term and no money can be refunded. It is our hope that the program will continue for the rest of the year. If places become available, parents will be contacted who have placed their child’s name on the reserve list.

Gymnastics Term 2
Students in Years 3-6 will be given the opportunity to participate in an 8 week gymnastics program commencing in Week 2 this term. The cost is $4.50 or $36.00 for the term. Permission note and payment needs to be made prior to your child attending. This program is part of our school sports program and all children are expected to attend.

Carnival of the Animals
We have a wonderful opportunity for 28 students in K-2 and 28 students in 3-6 to experience a musical performance of Saint-Saëns’ ‘Carnival of The Animals’. There may be places available as there are students that will be attending the Canberra excursion.

NAPLAN 2014 for Year 3 and 5
Parents of students in Years 3 and 5 have received an updated information letter regarding the upcoming national assessment. Parents may wish to consider an exemption or withdrawal of their child. More information is provided in the letter. If you wish to discuss these options, you need to consult Mrs Whyte.

2011- Year 6 Gift
A generous gift has been given to our school by representatives from our Year 6 group from 2011. The money was fundraised to purchase a gift for the school by the students was stolen. The Conway and Watkins family have purchased a Gallipoli Rosemary plant for our school in honour of the Year 6 of 2011. The plant was presented to our school at our ANZAC Day ceremony.

Birth Certificates and Immunisation Forms
If you have yet to provide a copy of your child’s birth certificate or immunisation record can you please provide us with a copy as soon as possible. It is a Department requirement that we have this information.

Literacy News
Congratulations to all our wonderful spellers who attended the 100% party

Easter Hat Parade Colouring In Competition Winners
KR - Brock Johnston
K/1B - Bailey Johnson
1J - Kaiah Black
1/2G - Cooper Stanley
2P - Chloe Griffiths
3P - Jerialdine Layweh
3/4L - Maddison Griffiths
4M - Ethan Egan
5F - Tyson Gibbons
6D - Montana Davies
6W - Yestin Hall

Congratulations to Sky Barker who got 100% in her spelling test.
**P&C Fun Run**

The P&C will be having a fundraiser that will coincide with the school’s Cross Country event on Friday 2 May. Students have received sponsorship forms today and they will need to be returned by Friday 9 May. Students in Years 3–6 will be participating at Apex Park and students in K-2 will be running at Ashmont Oval on the day. Further information will be provided early this term.

**Thrive Young Parents Program**

Are you a parent aged 15 – 25? Do you want to meet other parents? Centacare Southwest are running a Young Parents Program. Every Wednesday at 11.00 – 11.30 am then 12.00 – 1.00pm. Meet at the entrance of Wagga City Library. Parents will have the opportunity to talk about: Free services that are available to you and your child such as dental therapy, speech therapy, financial advice, child support advice, Centrelink etc...Every week will be a different subject For further information please phone 69233888

**Photos of our creative students and their marvellous hats**

**Canteen News**

Due to a price increase from our supplier flavoured milk as of next term will increase to $1.60.

**Every Wednesday Meal Deal**

Toasted cheese sandwich + Fruit Box - $2.50

**Wagga Wagga PSSA Athletics - APOLOGIES**

Your child may have received a Wagga Wagga PSSA Athletics note over the past week. Please note that the date on the note is incorrect. The correct date is Wednesday 28 May, 2014. All other details are correct. We apologise for any confusion.