P&C Fun Run

The P&C held a fundraiser to coincide with the school’s Cross Country event on Friday 2 May. Students in Years 3-6 participated at Apex Park and students in K-2 at Ashmont Oval on the day. All students who participated in the event were given a ‘super doopa’ for their efforts. Students need to return their sponsorship forms by Friday 9 May. Thank you for supporting our P&C.

Cross Country

A special presentation will be held next Monday morning at 9.15am in the hall to present student with ribbons from last week’s event. Parents are welcome to attend. Congratulations to all students who did their best for themselves and for their sporting house. The House point results are; 1st Tobruk, 2nd Flanders, 3rd Kokoda and 4th Gallipoli. Students’ results are on the following page.

NAPLAN for Years 3 and 5

The National Assessment Program- Literacy and Numeracy, will be conducted next week. The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Students will be participating in the national tests next Tuesday 13, Wednesday 14 and Thursday 14 May. Please ensure your child is at school on time. A special breakfast will be provided for students in these years each morning.

P&C Mother’s Day Stall

Thursday 8th and Friday 9th May at lunchtime in front of the staffroom.
Gift prices range from $2 - $5.
“A person’s a person no matter how small.”

Dr Suess

Cross Country Success

The weather stayed clear last Friday for our annual Cross Country event. All students should be congratulated on their efforts on the day. The following students have been given the opportunity to compete at the District Cross Country event at Ladysmith Monday 19 May:

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Messages for our parents

Important Dates

- Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN: 13-15 May
- Stage 3 Canberra Excursion: 16 May
- Carnival of the Animals: 16 May
- Mortimer Shield: 20 May
- Paul Kelly Cup AFL: 23 May
- Science Day: 29 May
- K-2 Wulamanayuwii and the Seven Pamanui Excursion: 4 June
- Netball Gala Day: 6 June
- Trent Barrett: 16 June
- Riverina Dance Festival: 20 June

Canteen Roster

- Wednesday – T. Bennett
- Thursday – T. Bennett
- Friday – K. Warner
- Monday – D. Tootell
- Tuesday – K. Warner / A. Phillips
Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2015

Parents of students in Year 4 have received a letter today inviting interested parents to apply for placement next year for their child. Parents need to complete the application online by Friday 16 May at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. If parents have further questions please contact Mrs Whyte.

Gymnastics Term 2

The Gymnastics program for Stage 2 and Stage 3 begins this week. It is important that ALL STUDENTS return the note to indicate if they will be attending.

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-Saens' 'Carnival of The Animals'. There may be places available as there are students that will be attending the Canberra excursion.

Handwriting

Last term in the Handwriting Assessment we saw good improvements across the school. Most students received a ‘Super Writer Improvement’ award. The following students were awarded ‘Best Writer’ and ‘Most Improved Writer’ awards.

- **Best**
  - KR: Christyn Little-Niki
  - K/1B: Preston McKenzie
  - 1/2G: Annalyse Norville Y2
  - 1J: Shakilah JaneMathers
  - 2P: Shekina Sarich
  - 3P: Zahra Crampton
  - 4M: Brad Marshall
  - 5T: Tora Niki
  - 6D: Montana Davies
  - 6W: Myalina Fonua

- **Most Improved**
  - KR: Destiny Knight
  - K/1B: Liam Griffiths
  - 1/2G: Lily Barby Y2
  - 1J: Bella Knight Y1
  - 2P: Brock Neilsen
  - 3P: William Green McGowan
  - 4M: Dylan Warner
  - 5T: Zafar Hall
  - 6D: Boyd Manns
  - 6W: Clarese Simpson

Congratulations to all these students. Parents are welcome to visit their child’s classroom and look at the writing assessment folder to see the improvement your child made in Term 1. Please encourage neat handwriting at all times. All students Year 4 and above should be writing in a cursive style (running writing).

Term 2 practice has been completed and children are busy practising for the Assessment which will take place in Week 9.

The Staff at Ashmont PS appreciate the encouragement our parents give our students to improve their learning.

Literacy News

We are excited that next week Year 3 and Year 5 will be doing the NAPLAN Assessments. We will be able to show how much we are improving with our literacy and numeracy skills. The school will be supplying a bacon and egg muffin and juice for each Year 3 and Year 5 student from 8.30 on each NAPLAN morning. We will also have fruit platters on Tuesday between the two assessments.

- **The dates are:**
  - **Tuesday 13 May:** Language Writing
  - **Wednesday 14 May:** Reading
  - **Thursday 15 May:** Numeracy

The school congratulates Year 3 and Year 5 for the excellent work they have been doing this year.

Spelling

The school would like to recognise these students in each year who scored the best pre-test results. To score highly on an unseen list demonstrates excellent ability in spelling.

- **Top Spellers**
  - Kinder: Chrislyn Little-Niki
  - Year 1: Aleetah Thackeray
  - Year 2: Sarah Parker
  - Year 3: Honey Sarich
  - Year 4: Kodi Lyons
  - Year 5: Libby Cooper
  - Year 6: Makaela Acker

Today the Term 2 pre-tests have gone home with the words correctly spelt highlighted in green. Could you please help your children learn the words, especially those not highlighted. The lists will be tested again in Week 8. If your child did not receive the list please contact your class teacher.

Active After School Sport

- **Lawn Bowls** - Tuesdays
- **Golf** - Thursdays
  - 3:15 - 4:15pm

Limited places available - See Office
Canteen Mufti Day
We will be having a mufti day on Friday 30 May. All students are allowed to wear mufti on the day in return for a donation to the canteen.
KR, KB/1, 1J – Homebrand bagged cake, jelly, beetroot, tomato sauce, chicken noodles 5pk.
1/2G, 2P, 3P – paper towel, napkins, aluminium foil, chicken noodles 5pk, tinned fruit salad, beetroot.
3/4L, 4m – dishwashing liquid, teaspooons, Homebrand freezer bags, small, BBQ sauce, Homebrand bagged cake mix choc or vanilla.
5f, 6D, 6W – jelly, chicken noodles 5pk, icing sugar, tin fruit salad, Homebrand bagged cake mix choc or vanilla.

News from P&C
Thank you to all students who participated in our Easter Mufti Day and donated an Easter Egg for our P&C Raffle. On 12th April we held a Bunnings BBQ. It was a very successful day as we raised $942 for our School. A big THANKYOU to Kara for running the day and also to Mrs Whyte, Mr Wong and Megan Forster for your help on the day. Without the help of parents we cannot hold events like this. Our next BBQ will be at Masters on 12th July. If you are able to give us a helping hand please contact Shannon on 0420 720 237 or Kara on 0467 592 895.
Just a reminder that the Fun Run Sponsorship form and money needs to be handed in this Friday 9th May to the front office. Prizes can only be ordered when ALL forms and money are returned. Thank you to all students who have participated in this event to raise much needed funds for your school.
Don’t forget our Mother’s Day Stall on Thursday and Friday this week. Gifts are available to purchase at lunchtime in front of the staffroom. All parents are welcome to come along!
We will be holding a P&C information afternoon tea on Monday 19th May. All parents are invited to come along with any questions or ideas you may have for us. We are hoping to hold a fete this year but without parents support this event will not be able to happen. Hope to see lots of new faces.

Principal Award Winners
Tyra Lawrence & Jordan Baker

School Office hours
8.30am to 3.45pm

Mother’s Day Classic
Sunday 11 May 2014
Wagga Music Bowl
4km walk 10am
Registrations from 8.30am
Presentations 11am

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40,000 Books! Don’t miss it! The Rotary Club of Wagga Book Fair
Saturday 17 May, 8am – 5pm and Sunday 19 May, 9am – 4pm
Kyeamba Smith Hall – Wagga showground
Huge categorised stock, Fiction & non Fiction, Big range of books for Children & Youth, CD’s, DVD’s, sheet music, Magazines & Reference
Realistic Prices - Bring a carry bag
Entry: Adults $2, Children free
Barbeque in action all weekend