Student Reports and Parent Interviews
Parents will be invited to attend an interview with their child’s class teacher during the last two weeks of this term from 16-27 June. At this time, parents will receive their child’s report and have the opportunity to discuss their child’s learning progress and future directions. Please ensure interview slips are returned promptly.

Student Reports- A new format
Student reports are in the process of being written by classroom teachers. There will be a new format for our reports this semester. Our P&C have approved the changes. It is our hope that the new format will provide more comprehensive information of your child’s progress and future directions. Also, the template meets all Departmental requirements.

Child Protection
Students in Kindergarten to Year 6 will participate in mandatory Child Protection education this term and next. Child protection education aims to assist students to develop skills in:

• recognising and responding to unsafe situations
• seeking assistance effectively
• establishing and maintaining non-coercive relationships and strengthening attitudes and values related to equality, respect and responsibility.

If you have any concerns in regards to this program please contact Tanya Whyte.
“Man cannot discover new oceans unless he has the courage to lose sight of the shore.”
Andre Gide

K-2 Wulamanayumi and the Seven Pamanui Excursion
Students in K-2 were invited to attend a show at the Civic Theatre last term. There are still a few places available. Unfortunately, we had to confirm numbers resulting in only 55 students attending K-2. The excursion will be supervised with 5 staff members.

Kinder Occupational Therapy
We would like to let all of our kindergarten parents know that we have obtained the services of an Occupational Therapist to assist our kindergarten students to reach their full potential at school.

Occupational therapy aims to promote optimal function, independence and productivity for our kindergarten pupils as they begin to develop various academic skills for the first time. This is achieved through skill development activities, sensory processing strategies, and maintaining an environment which promotes learning.

Our Occupational Therapist is being supplied by Riverina Kids Therapy and will be at the school each Friday for the rest of the current term. All students in the kindergarten rooms will benefit from the service provided. The Occupational Therapist will be working with individual students and students in small groups. If you have any questions about this support please discuss with your teacher.

Important Dates
K-2 Wulamanayumi and the Seven Pamanui Excursion 4 June
PSSA Athletics Carnival 5 June
Netball Gala Day 6 June
PSSA Athletics Carnival 13 June
Trent Barrett 16 June
MAHS Year 6 Taster Day 18 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
Sports Reports

Congratulations to Amalee Wilson and Dylan Warner-Chilstone in their success in gaining entry to the Riverina level. Amalee will be representing the Riverina Region at Hockey and Dylan will be for Cross Country. A fantastic effort and best wishes for the upcoming events!

Science Day - Free

Our school hosted a Science Day last Thursday. Students from K-6 enjoyed a free Force & Movement Show delivered by CSIRO. Classes also rotated throughout the day experiencing hands-on and engaging activities to promote a love of science and learning. It was a day enjoyed by all.

Canteen Mufti Day

Thank you to our school community for their support of our school canteen last Friday. The generous donations will cut costs in the running of the canteen throughout the year.

Stage 3 Sydney Excursion

We are heading to Sydney for our big Stage 3 excursion this year. During this excursion, the students will have the opportunities to visit some Sydney highlights, including: Sydney Olympic Swimming Pool, Manly Beach, Taronga Zoo, Harbour Ferries, Imax Theatre, Sydney Harbour Bridge, Sydney Opera House and more!

Students on the top behaviour levels have already received their permission notes. We are suggesting a payment schedule for a manageable payment routine. However paying in full is also accepted. We will also accept whatever payment routine is most convenient to you. We are strictly limiting the places to 40 students. Please return your permission note and $50 deposit to secure your child’s place.

Literacy News

Old Man Platypus

Far from the trouble and toil of town,
Where the reed beds sweep and shiver,
Look at a fragment of velvet brown -
Old Man Platypus drifting down,
Drifting along the river.

And he plays and dives in the river bends
In a style that is most elusive;
With few relations and fewer friends,
For Old Man Platypus descends
From a family most exclusive.

He shares his burrow beneath the bank
With his wife and his son and daughter
At the roots of the reeds and the grasses rank;
And the bubbles show where our hero sank
To its entrance under water.

Safe in their burrow below the falls
They live in a world of wonder,
Where no one visits and no one calls,
They sleep like little brown billiard balls
With their beaks tucked neatly under.

And he talks in a deep unfriendly growl
As he goes on his journey lonely;
For he’s no relation to fish nor fowl,
Nor to bird nor beast, nor to homed owl;
In fact, he’s the one and only!

A.B. Paterson

Science ICAS

As part of Ashmont Public School’s Gifted and Talented Program, these students have been selected to participate in the University of New South Wales Science Competition. This is a prestigious international competition and selection was made after a pre-test across the school where these children demonstrated ability in science.

Year 3: Chelsea Warner-Chilstone, Jerialdine Layweh, Janaya Hayes, Sebastian Hancock-Taylor, Talyssa Hampton, Sky Barker,
Reserves: Callum Rath, Torianrna Honeysett

Year 4: Maddison Griffiths, Bradley Marshall, Xander Conway, Nicholas Quince, Dylan Warner, Jay Williams.
Reserves: Marissa Pearce, Audrey Putland

Year 5: Libby Cooper, Claudia Morris, Terry Orake, Dante King, Georgia Guetaya, Lily Corbett
Reserves: Rhys Warhurst, Ben Orr

Year 6: Theo Burton, Alyssa Charlton, Montana Davies, Calvin Prior, Amber Morris, John Orr.
Reserves: Clarese Simpson, Myalina Fonua
INVITATION - FREE FILM SCREENING

The Stolen Generations Council of NSW/ACT invites you to a special screening of two films remembering and commemorating the centenary of the Cootamundra Aboriginal Girls’ Training Home on

Friday 6 June 2pm in the Council Meeting room at the Wagga Wagga Civic Centre

Canteen News
Pie Drive orders can be picked up after 11am Thursday 5 June at the canteen.

Large sausage rolls - $3.00

Every Wednesday meal deal - toasted cheese sandwich + fruit box $2.50

Principal Award Winners
Allira Lawrence-Winslett
&
Jay Williams

School Office hours
8.30am to 3.45pm

Congratulations to Mr Millman!
We would like to offer our congratulations to Mr Millman and his wife for the welcome addition to their family, a son Rei Charles Millman.

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