Congratulations to our school dance troupe, junior choir and infants percussion group who performed yesterday at the Marketplace. It was truly an honour to be invited to perform at the official opening ceremony. Our students certainly did themselves, their families and our school proud. Upon their return to school, the percussion group visited the Home of Compassion and performed for the residents.

Our Open Day will be this Thursday 31, August and parents and friends are welcome to attend. Here is an outline:

- 8.45-9.15am  Breakfast (for families that purchase a book during the book fair)
- 9.30-10.15am  Open Classrooms
- 10.30-11.00am  Book Character Parade in the hall
- 11.00am-11.30am  Morning Tea in the staffroom with community members.

Marketplace showcase:
- Thursday 31 July
  - Chess Challenge 10.00am
“It’s not about WHAT IT IS - It’s about WHAT IT CAN BECOME!”

Dr. Seuss

BOOK WEEK AT ASHMONT PUBLIC SCHOOL

BOOK WEEK PARADE—Thursday 31 July
The parade starts at 10:30am. All students are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character.

BOOK FAIR—Monday - Thursday
There will be a wide variety of books available for sale in the community centre from 3:00pm-3:30pm. Students will be able to view the books before the day during their library lesson to see if there are any they would like to buy.

BREAKFAST—Thursday 31 July 8.45am-9.15am
Children who purchase a book from the book fair will be provided with a family voucher to join us for breakfast.

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Canteen Roster

Wednesday - T. Bennett
Thursday - T. Bennett
Friday - K. Warner
Monday - D Tootell
Tuesday - K.Wamer / A Phillips
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!

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.

Stage 1 Gymnastics
Students in 1J, 1/2G and 2P will be participating in the school gymnastics program commencing Wednesday 23 July. The program will run for eight weeks and cost $4.50 each week or $36.00. Parents can pay weekly or the full amount. Please ensure permission notes are returned promptly.

Active After Schools Program
Active After School Communities is once again offered at Ashmont. This term’s sports are tennis on Tuesdays and cricket on Thursdays. As before they will run in a 7 weeks program, with the last session of cricket planned to be played at Jubilee Park in an inter-communities competition. Both sports are open to K - 6. If you have previously had students participating in AASC, a transition note is required. New participants will be required to complete the full note and the permission to photograph. Both sets of notes are available at the front office. We will be capping the number at 20 students per activity. Students who signed up but did not participate in Term 2 will not be able to participate, to provide opportunities to those who can make the commitment.

Literacy News
Science Competition Results
Congratulations to our talented science students who took part in the University of New South Wales Science Competition. These students were successful in receiving a special award:

Credit
Year 2: Chloe Griffiths
Kaelin Lyons
Year 4: Dylan Wamer
Jay Williams
Year 5: Georgia Guetaya

Merit
Year 2: Sarah Parker
Year 4: Bradley Marshall

Keeping Kids in Mind is a 5 week course for separated parents who are experiencing ongoing conflict. The course is designed to assist parents to see through their children’s eyes the experience of parental separation. The course covers the following topics:

- Grief and Loss after separation
- The hidden world of Children
- Rebuilding Resilience
- Bridging the Gap
- Looking back and Moving Forward

The course starts July 29(evening 6.30-9.30) and August 20 (day10.00-12.30). Cost $85F/T or $35P/T. Workbook -$10. To register or obtain further information please contact Centacare on 69233888
School Readiness Information Evening

Presented by
Wagga Wagga Family Daycare &
Turvey Park Public School

Date: Tuesday, 29 July 2014
Time: 7pm
Where: WWCC Council Meeting Room
Cost: Free
RSVP: Friday, 25 July 2014
Phone: Wagga Regional Family Daycare - 6926 9367

Topics Covered:
- School Readiness Experiences
- Is your child ready for school?
- What does school expect a child to be able to do?
- School Routines
- What support is there for my child?

Stage 2 Girls Netball

Last Friday, 25 July Stage 2 girls participated in the PSSA Netball Gala Day. The girls played 14 games amongst them, winning 7 all up. After a disrupted start to the day’s games, the girls played strongly, battling through exhaustion and representing their school with great pride. Great sportsmanship and respect was shown by all players in all games of the day. Well done girls!

Netball Gala Day

On the 25 July, Year 3 and 4 went to the netball gala day. We trained for three weeks. We had a Year 3/4 team and a Year 3 team. The Year 3/4 team won 4 games out of 7 and the Year 3 team won 3 games. Lilli-Rose Waters

Netball Gala Day

On Friday, 25 July the Year 3&4 girls went to the Equex Centre to play netball. It was a wonderful day. The sun was shining and our girls managed to win most of our games. The Year 3/4 team won 4 out of their 7 games and the Year 3 team won 3 out of 6 games. Everybody played well.

Audrey Putland

Spare clothes

If your child has received a change of clothes could they please be returned to the school? We need these to allow us to provide a change of clothes to students who are wet or muddy. Thank You.

On Friday 1 August we are participating in Jeans for Genes Day. We are hoping to raise some much needed funds to assist the research into birth defects and diseases such as cancer, epilepsy and a range of genetic disorders. So everyone who wears their jeans on Friday 1 August will be asked to donate a gold coin.

Amalee Wilson
Kenisha Little-Kearnes