Book Fair, Character Parade and Education Week

What an amazing week! Thank you to all the parents and community members who supported the events of last week. It was great to see so many parents at our performance at the Marketplace and the Book Character Parade. Many parents enjoyed visiting classrooms, a breakfast and morning tea. Parents will once again be invited to visit our school in Week 9 for our Learning Journeys.

Charles Sturt University (CSU) Students

This term we welcome first year students studying teaching at CSU. It is certainly a privilege to have students in our school to support our students' learning. The following students will be here on each Tuesday or Wednesday each week:

- 6W Andrew Barron
- 4M Jasmin Sahta, Sean Mongey
- 3P Scott Leggett, Belinda Siebert
- 3/4L Teagan Payne, Benjamin Colenso
- 6D Grace Ferguson, Heather Gillespie

Excursions

Please ensure prompt payment for all excursions. If parents need support, please make an appointment to discuss with Mrs Whyte.

P&C Family Movie Night

6pm Thursday 21 August
Tickets $5
“Think LEFT, think RIGHT and think LOW and think HIGH.
Oh the things you can think up if only you try!”

Dr. Seuss

World War I Commemoration
Our school leaders were asked to represent our school yesterday by the RSL Sub-Branch who held a service to commemorate the declaration of World War I at the Centotaph in the Victory Memorial Gardens. John Orr and Kenisha Kearnes laid a poppy during the ceremony to pay tribute to our fallen soldiers.

Late Arrivals and Early Departures
We are currently implementing new ways to process late arrivals and early departures. Parents are still required to sign students in and out at the office. A slip will be printed out and is to be given to the classroom teacher for verification. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Important Dates
- P&C Family Movie Night: 21 August
- Kinder Orientation: 27 August
- Year 6 MAHS Tater Day: 3 September
- SRC Footy Colours Day: 5 September
- P&C Market Day: 6 September
- Musica Viva: 3 Sept
- Learning Journeys: 8 - 12 Sept

Canteen Roster
- Wednesday – T. Bennett
- Thursday – T. Bennett
- Friday – K. Warner
- Monday – D. Tootell
- Tuesday – K. Warner / 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.

**10th Annual Premier’s Spelling Bee**

The top 9 spellers in Stages 2 and 3 will compete in the Ashmont Public School trials to choose 2 representatives from each stage for this event. These trials will be held separately for each Stage on the morning of Tuesday 12 August. The Regional Trials will be held at South Wagga Public School on Monday 15 September.

**Uniform**

Students are required to wear full school uniform each day. If your child is out of uniform, the parent must write a note explaining the circumstance. Our supply of spare jumpers is very low so if your child has borrowed a jumper from the office, please return washed. Thank you.

**Headlice**

Headlice are tiny parasitic insects that live in human hair near the scalp. Anyone can get them. Headlice can spread between people who live, work or play together. They crawl and move by direct hair-to-hair contact. When eggs/nits are apparent in the hair it is necessary to obtain the recommended treatment from a chemist. Purchase of a fine tooth steel comb to remove the nits(eggs) is also recommended. After treatment, spraying the hair each morning with tea tree oil in a spray bottle mixed with water will prevent reinfestation. Long hair should be tied back or put in a ponytail.

**Literacy News**

**English Competition**

Congratulations to these children who were selected, after testing, to compete in the University English Competition. They competed in the competition last week and we look forward to the results later in the term.

**Year 2:** Sarah Parker, Chloe Griffiths  
Kaelin Lyons, Tameeka Aveyard  
Kiara Hancock-Taylor, Tyra Lawrence

**Year 3:** Talyssa Hampton, Cailey Honeysett  
Toriarna Honeysett, Maddison Lawton  
Sky Barker, Sebastian Hancock-Taylor

**Year 4:** Audrey Putland, Xander Conway  
Kodi Lyons, Bradley Marshall  
Maddison Griffiths, Jay Williams

**Year 5:** Libby Cooper  
Nathan Dohl, Peter Grosse  
Ben Orr, Luke Quince

**Year 6:** Alyssa Charlton, Montana Davies  
Jasper Liam, John Orr, Calvin Prior,  
Amber Morris, Caleb Griffiths
Riverina PSSA Athletics Carnival

Well done to our athletes, Montana Davies, Alyssa Charlton and Yestin Hall, who competed in the Riverina PSSA Athletics Carnival yesterday. They did exceptionally well to achieve this level, having to take a place in the school and district carnivals. All competitors competed well and showed exceptional sportsmanship at the event. Congratulations to Yestin, who will be representing Riverina in the 100m dash at the NSW PSSA Athletics Carnival, which will be held in Term 4. Well done, Yestin!