Farewell- Mrs Marianne Thurling and Mrs Annabel Sharkey

Yesterday there was a special luncheon to acknowledge two amazing ladies for their contributions to our school.

Mrs Thurling has been on long service leave for the last 12 months and has decided to retire from the teaching profession. Mrs Thurling has dedicated over 27 years to Ashmont Public School in her role as a classroom teacher. Mrs Thurling will be remembered for her commitment and passion to create learning opportunities for our students to build upon their knowledge of our Aboriginal culture and support teachers to include Aboriginal teaching perspectives across the curriculum.

Mrs Sharkey was appointed to our school in 2002 as a support teacher for student learning. In her role she has provided and implemented targeted learning support for students and teachers from Kinder to Year 6. Her commitment and passion to education has been evident, particularly through her work on the environment and her sustainability projects with students which have offered enriched learning experiences.

Congratulations to you both and best wishes for your retirement!
"Don't let life discourage you; everyone who got where he is had to begin where he was."

Richard L. Evans

Messages for our parents

P&C Annual General Meeting
I wish to congratulate the following parents who were elected to office bearer positions of our P&C last Tuesday evening:

President - Shannon Collins
Vice President - Kellie-Ann Putland
Secretary - Jodi Wood
Treasurer - Kara Fellows

It was great to see new parent members joining the P&C and having input into future school directions. Congratulations!

Cross Country
Our Cross Country carnival will be held on Thursday, 2 April. All students turning 8 this year and older are required to attend. Please be advised that ALL students must pay the fee for the Cross Country as the cost is distributed amongst all students, not paid per student.

Easter Hat Parade
Our annual Easter Hat Parade will be on Thursday 2 April at 9.30am. There will be a special canteen lunch available on that day to preorder. It is time for parents to pull out that craft box and get busy making those hats!

Welfare Assembly
The Dance group will be performing at the Welfare Assembly on Wednesday, 1 April at 9.30am.

Important Dates
Welfare Assembly @ 9.30am 1 April
100% Party 1 April
Easter Hat Parade 2 April
Cross Country 2 April
Good Friday 3 April
Term 2 begins 21 April

Canteen Roster
Wednesday – T. Bennett
Thursday – T. Bennett
Friday – K. Warner
Monday – D. Tootell
Tuesday – K. Warner/ A. Phillips
Stage 3 Excursions

All students should have received the Canberra and Ballarat notes for 2015. While we have no limit on the Canberra excursion, we only have limited spaces on the Ballarat excursion. A non-refundable $50 deposit will ensure your place. These excursions will enhance our learning in the classroom.

Gymnastics Term 2

Notes have been given to students in Stage 1 and Stage 2 for their gymnastics program in Term 2. The cost is $36.00 for the 8 week program or $4.50 each week. It will begin on the 27 April. Please ensure permission note and payment is received prior to the event to ensure your child does not miss out. Following are the days/times the classes will attend:

Monday 1.45pm-3.00pm
3P, 3/4M and 4L
Wednesday 1.45pm-3.00pm
1JS, 1/2S and 2G

Further information is provided to parents on the consent form.

Conductive Hearing Loss Program

The Conductive Hearing Loss Program is run through the Department of Education and Communities and aims to educate children about the importance of ear health. Research has demonstrated that many children suffer from otitis media (ear infections) during their childhood years and a significant number of these children may go on to have recurrent or chronic otitis media. The resultant fluctuating hearing loss associated with this can be extremely detrimental to both language learning in the early years and literacy learning once children attend school. The Conductive Hearing Loss Program targets students in Kindergarten through to Year 2 and consists of 5 short lessons. The program aims to educate children about ear health and includes the importance of listening to facilitate learning, keeping our ears healthy, what happens during an ear infection and how hearing loss can affect a person.

This program will be run at Ashmont Public School in early Term 2, during weeks 1 through to 5.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS SPECIAL

Forum Cinema Movie and Bowl Deal

Adults - $20
Students - $19
Children (under 15) - $18
Add $6 for kids meal or small combo

Purchase from Forum Cinema 6

Wagga Magpies JRLFC est 1964

The new look Magpies family would like to invite all old & new players boys & girls to join us for the 2015 season.

All 6-15yrs players should attend training at Parramore Park on Wednesdays at 4:30pm with Registrations taken at the clubhouse facility. Shorts, socks and sports bag are supplied. Season commences 11th April.

Also calling for expression of interest for coaches in age groups 6-15 yrs. Great opportunity with club ambassadors Terry Lamb, Royce Simmons, Brett Finch & The Mortimers guiding coaches & players throughout the year.

Enquiries to Troy Wilson (president)
0429 904 525 email wilb76@gmail.com
**AWARDS**

**Merit Awards**
- KB: James Parker
- KR: Paige Saunders
- 1JS: Caleb Thomsen
- 2G: Skye Warhurst
- 1/2S: Natalie Landow

**Blinky Bill Award**
- KB: Kelsie Clark
- KR: Kye Little-Kearnes
- 1JS: Noah Egan
- 2G: Macey Clark
- 1/2S: Summer White

**Blinky Bill Jnr Award**
- Cooper Prior-Sutton

**Uniform Award**
- Kelsie Clark

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**EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAY SOCCER CLINIC**

Limited places for girls & boys aged 8-14 years

Each COERVER® player receives:
- 9 hours of programmed COERVER® Coaching
- 6 Hours of controlled Game Play using the COERVER® Method
- Instruction from COERVER® and FFA Qualified coaches
- BONUS Soccer Ball and T-Shirt Provided when pre booked
- Water Station during clinic (Please bring drink bottle)

Venue: Kessler Park Lower Field, TOLLAND. WAGGA WAGGA, NSW.

**School Office hours**
8.30am to 3.45pm

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Contact Sam Gray via wagga@coerverriverina.com.au or on 0458 133 512

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**The Wagga Wagga Society of Model Engineers**

Invites you to participate in a special event.

**Ride the Rails in the Twilight**
Willans Hills Miniature Railway at Wagga Wagga Botanical Gardens.
**Easter Sunday 5 April 2015**
10.30am to 9.00pm
Cost $2 per ride
All persons are required to wear enclosed footwear.

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**Principal’s Award Winners**

**Skye Barker & Joshua Cunningham**

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