Term 2 SRC Induction Ceremony

Yesterday morning we welcomed students who were elected by their peers to represent them this term. The students made a pledge in front of their peers and parents. This is a responsible role that encourages students to take on leadership roles and build confidence. Congratulations to all elected students. A full list is included in this Bulletin.

NAPLAN 2014

Students in Years 3 and 5 will participate in the national testing. The scheduled times for the testing are as follows:

- Tuesday 12 May - 9.15am - Language Conventions and Writing
- Wednesday 13 May - 9.15am - Reading
- Thursday 14 May - 9.15am - Numeracy

A special breakfast will be provided to those students sitting the tests between 8.45am-9.15am. Please ensure students are at school on time on these days.

Australian Early Development Census (AECD)

Between May and June this year our school will be taking part in a nationwide census of the early childhood development. It will help our school and community understand how children are developing before they start school, what is being done well, and what can be improved. The AECD is an Australian Government initiative run by the Department of Education and Training. The census will only be conducted for kindergarten children. Further information is provided to parents in a letter today.

Riverina Dance Festival Success

Our Dance Troupe have made it! Our dancers will be representing our school in Albury in June. Congratulations!
“Strong people stand up for themselves. But the strongest people stand up for others.”

Messages for our parents

Year 5 entry to Opportunity Class in 2016

Opportunity classes cater for high-achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Opportunity Class Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on Wednesday 22 July 2015.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2016, you need to do so soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student’s email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 27 April 2015 in a printed application information booklet and at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. The application website opens on 27 April 2015 and closes on 15 May 2015. No late applications will be accepted.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library or contact your current school.

Important Dates

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Canteen Roster

Wednesday – T. Bennett
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Friday – K. Warner
Monday – D Tootell
Tuesday – K. Warner / A Phillips
After School Sports
On Thursday afternoons for Term 2, students are invited to participate in training to improve their footy skills. Students from Years 2-6 are welcome to attend from 3.00pm-4.15pm. Parents are required to pick up their child. Students will be provided with an afternoon snack of fruit. Permission notes have been sent home today and need to be returned for your child to attend.

CSU Oral Health
Visitors from Charles Sturt University will be conducting sessions promoting oral health in Stage 2 classes on 29 April and 13 May. The aim is to educate staff and students about the importance of good oral hygiene and dietary habits. There will be interactive lessons with Years 3 and 4, as well as an effect on the entire school through working with the breakfast club and the school canteen to integrate recommendations.

Parents of Ashmont Primary School are welcome to visit the Oral Health Clinic at the Charles Sturt University campus. It is open to the public of all ages and treatment is offered at a low cost. For more information or to book an appointment, please call: 1300 278 642, or search: www.csu.edu.au/dental-clinic. Also, to the parents of Years 3 and 4, look out for brochures about oral hygiene and dietary habits in your child’s school bag. We hope that you have the chance to read these in order to care for the oral hygiene of your children, yourself and your family.

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. Following are the days/times the classes will attend:

Monday 1.45pm-3.00pm
3P, 3/4M and 4L

Wednesday 1.45pm-3.00pm
1J S, 1/2Sand 2G

Soccer News
Our senior boys and girls have a PSSA Soccer match on 22 May. Permission notes will go home this week. If anybody has football boots and shin guards that they no longer need could they please send them into school so we can have some spares. Thank You
Mrs Jaques

Term Spelling Pre-Tests
Have you seen your child's Term Spelling List? Copies of the pre-tests went home last week with the correct words highlighted in orange. Please help your children to learn the words which weren't highlighted as well as revising the highlighted words. Our best spellers in the pre-test were:

Kinder: Tylah Barby
Year 1: Leah Little
Year 2: Aleetah Thackeray
Year 3: Kaelin Lyons
Year 4: Sky Barker
Year 5: Kodi Lyons
Year 6: Libby Cooper

Congratulations to these ‘Best Spellers” and we look forward to lots of children attending the 100% party in the last week of this term. If you have not seen your child’s pre-test please see your class teacher for another copy.

SRC Representatives Term 2
1JS - Caleb Keames, Leah Little
1/2S - Mathew Fleming, Destiny Knight
2G - Jacob Wood, Neisha Buswell
3P - Zach Harris, Cheyanne Reid
3/4M - Tyler Allen, Rahisha King
4/5L - Damien Mullaly, Cailey Honeysett
5W - Brad Marshall, Lilli-Rose Waters
6M - Shawn Harris, Libby Cooper

Paul Kelly Cup
Senior boys will be invited to play AFL next Thursday 7 May from 8.45am-2.30pm. Students will need to wear football boots and mouth guards to participate. Notes have been sent home today. Please note that students must be on a positive level to attend.

Excursion Stage 1
On the 22nd of May, Stage 1 will have the opportunity to visit the Temora Aviation Museum. This will allow students to be immersed in history and investigate technological advancements over time. The cost of the excursion is $10. Please ensure permission notes and money are returned by Wednesday 20 May.
**The Unknown Soldier**

On 25th May, 30 students from Stage Three will attend the Wagga Wagga Civic Theatre to watch the stage production 'The Unknown Soldier.' Set on the battlefields of WW1 and in 21st century Australia, our play follows the dual journeys of a 16 year-old soldier fighting for King and Country, a modern-day 11 year-old boy ‘who questions how anyone can simply just disappear’. Entwined within these two tales is the story of a mother who refuses to believe that her son is missing in action and goes searching for him in the mud.

The play is targeted to Primary School Years 5 & 6 and High School Years 7 & 8, and links to the NSW syllabus and key learning areas including English, Creative Arts, Personal Development, Health and Physical Education and Human Society and Its Environment.

A Monkey Baa Theatre Company Production.

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**MOTHERS DAY CLASSIC**

**Sunday 10th May 2015**

This a National event held annually to raise money for research into BREAST CANCER.

The Wagga Wagga Breast Cancer Group is hosting the event again this year. It will be held in the Wagga Wagga Music Bowl at the Botanic Gardens. You can register for the Wagga Wagga event on line: mothersdayclassic.com.au

Or, on the day from 8.30am. The 4km walk/run STARTS 9.30am.

There is a BBQ, Coffee van, Mother’s Day Raffle, Bottled Water, Prizes and Entertainment, so come and have some fun for a great cause.

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**P&C News**

**Mother’s Day**

The P&C will be selling gifts for Mother’s Day on Thursday 7 May and Friday 8 May at lunchtime. There will be a wide variety of gifts to choose from and prices range from $1-$5

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**School Office hours**

8.30am to 3.45pm