Principal’s Report—Week 9

MAJOR ASSEMBLY & EASTER HAT PARADE

Our Term 1 Major Assembly will be held tomorrow, Wednesday 25th March at 9.30am under the school COLA. We encourage you to come along to acknowledge the achievements of our students.

At 10.30, following the assembly, we will be having our Easter Hat Parade. Children are asked to make the hat at home and bring to school on the day.

Families and friends are invited to have morning tea with their children after the parade.

We hope to see lots of family and friends tomorrow.

TERM 1 REWARD DAY

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CROSS COUNTRY

Our annual Cross Country will be held this Friday, 27th March at Lake Albert. All children from our Middle and Senior School will be participating in this event. If you have not returned the permission note and money please do so tomorrow.

I would like to acknowledge that this event, although competitive for some, may not be everyone’s idea of a good time. None the less, this is a part of our school sporting calendar and participation by all – even if it is a walk – is expected. Please encourage your children to have a go and to do their best on the day.

ETHICS CLASSES

At this stage we are unable to offer Ethics classes as an alternative to Scripture due to lack of trained instructors. If you are interested in volunteering to help deliver Primary Ethics classes please call Emily on 0427219882. Full training is provided and groups are supervised by a teacher. After initial training the commitment would be half an hour to an hour each Tuesday between 2.00 and 3.15.

In the past Ethics has proven to be a popular choice for our students, so I do urge anyone who would like to become more involved in our school and is interested in working with our fantastic students to give Emily a ring and find out more about the program.

VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

School fees are now due. The cost of contributions remains unchanged again this year at:

1 Child—$45     2 Children $55     3 Children $65

School Contributions provide valuable funds to assist us in providing quality learning opportunities and resources for our students. As always we appreciate the contributions made by families. Payments can be made at the school office.

END OF TERM

Just a reminder that Term 1 finishes on Thursday 2nd April and students return for Term 2 on Tuesday 21st April.

Have a great week.

Leanne Harvey
Relieving Principal
# MERIT CERTIFICATES

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## P&C NEWS

School jumper orders should arrive early next term. The P&C will keep you posted.
Clams are not just one shell, but two merged together to make this mollusc. Kippy Yr5

Coral has a symbiotic relationship with zooxanthellae and can rarely survive without it. Chloe Yr6

Coral get up to 90% of their energy supply from zooxanthellae. Kodi Yr6

Echinoderms: The name is from two Greek words. Echino – spine; Derm- skin. Alisha Yr6

Jellyfish never settle down in one place. They are a floating umbrella shape that contracts and expands to go up and down. Alivia Yr6

Exploring Fragile Environments in 5/6D: Coral Reefs - Fast Facts!

The sailfish is a vertebrate with skeletons of cartilage instead of bone. The ‘sail’ is used to scare and herd prey. The ‘sword’ is used to stun and chase fish. It is the fastest swimmer in the sea and can cover 100m, of water in 4.8 seconds. Hugh Yr5

Nudibranchs are molluscs. Nudi means naked and branch means gills. Blake M Yr6

In 2006, reefs in the southern part of the Great Barrier Reef were changed by bleaching events. Anna Yr5

Zooxanthellae is the colouring for coral and without it coral would be white and boring! Annabelle Yr6

Bleaching events have affected every coral reef on the planet. Caitlin Yr6

Climate change changes the water temperature and if the water temperature is too high it causes bleaching to the coral. Maddison Yr5

The Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority is a major leader in managing bleached reefs. Kyra Yr6

The Mauve Stinger uses their little stingers to catch their food and they never settle down in one place. Aaditya Yr5
**SCHOOL FEES**

Fees are collected by the school on behalf of the P&C and are now due. Funds are used to buy much needed resources for the school.

Fees remain unchanged from last year, being set at:

1 student $45  
2 students $55  
3 students $65

**TERM 1 REWARD DAY**

This term’s behaviour reward day will be held on Thursday 2nd April and will be a ‘Festival of Fun’ as we held last year. More information and some requests for prizes will be coming home in the next week or two.

As well as providing a fun reward for all our students who have displayed consistently positive behaviour this term, we will be raising money to assist with the reestablishment of our garden areas. As always your support will be greatly appreciated.

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**Community Announcements**

**The simplest way to make pineapple sorbet.**

On a hot summer’s afternoon, there’s nothing better than some refreshing sorbet. Why not make it yourself? It’s easy, cheap and fun!

**Ingredients:**
- 440g can crushed pineapple in natural juice, frozen

**Method:**
- Roughly chop frozen fruit and place in the bowl of a food processor. Process until fruit becomes granular. Scrape down sides of bowl with a spatula and process again. Repeat 4-5 times until fruit mixture is a smooth, thick and creamy texture. Spoon into bowls and serve immediately with fresh fruit, if desired.

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**MOTHERS DAY CLASSIC**

**Sunday 10th May 2015**

is 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, Mothers Day Raffle, Bottled Water, Prizes and Entertainment, so come and have some fun for a great cause.

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**Wagga United Soccer**

Players needed in the following age groups: 9, 10 & 12yrs

For more information please contact:

Robyn Harrington email: robyn.harrington@bigpond.com
A Quick Bite …

5 Top Tips for Garden Design

Once you have decided on the correct site for your garden it’s important to map out and design what you want in your garden.

1. Consider the materials you need and make a list.
2. Estimate your garden dimensions and draw a map roughly to scale.
3. Draw and label on the map where the seedlings and/or seeds will be planted and how many will be planted in each square metre.
4. Do some research on what plants thrive best when planted next to each other.
5. Calculate the quantities of seedlings/seeds you will need to purchase.

For more information visit
mlhd.health.nsw.gov.au/keepinghealthy

A quick bite …

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

WWPS Saturday Morning Netball Competition 2015

Netball competition for years 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 will commence in Term 2.

**Fees**—
- $115 per child age of 11 or over by 31/12/15
- $110 aged 10 years and under by 31/12/15

Contact person: Mrs Smith

Please complete the following information and return to front office by Wednesday 25th March so teams and money can be finalised.

Please note that all positions must be filled for each team before registration, e.g. coach, umpire, etc.

(This is a Wagga Netball Association Rule)

If you are able to help out or know someone who can, please let me know.

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Name ………………………………….. Class……………….
Address……………………………………………………………
Date of Birth ……………………..………
Age as of 31/12/14

Parent/Carer name…………………………………………

Please note: these fees are set by Wagga Netball Association.

I am able to coach: yes / no.
I am able to umpire: yes / no.
I am able to manage: yes / no.