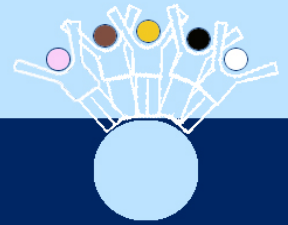


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NEWSLETTER TERM 1 WEEK 8

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Term 1 2014

Calendar

*Please note dates from week to week as there are occasionally some changes.

Week 8

Wednesday, March 19 th	Stage 3 Girls 'Butterfly Effect' Workshop Trent Barrett Shield
Thursday, March 20 th	1.00pm K-2 Assembly
Friday, March 21 st	2.05pm Stage 2 & 3 Assembly National Day of Action against Bullying Harmony Day

Week 9

Tuesday, March 25 th	Cricket Knockout
Friday, March 28 th	2.05pm K-6 Assembly

Week 10

Thursday April 3 rd	3-6 Cross Country
Friday, April 4 th	K-2 Cross Country

Week 11

Tuesday, April 8 th	K-2 Easter Hat Parade
Thursday, April 10 th	Easter church service
Friday, April 11 th	Last day Term 1

Term 2-Students return to school on Tuesday 29th April.

Silver Awards

Congratulations to our first Silver Award winners for 2014! These students have displayed outstanding behaviour and adherence to our values-Respect, Responsibility and Do Your Best. Students

received their certificates and lanyards at the K-6 Assembly on Friday. The lanyards allow our award winners to access special privileges throughout the year.





Parent Teacher Interviews with Kindergarten

As part of the NSW Government's Early Intervention for Success Program, kindergarten teachers will be holding parent teacher interviews this week. All kindergarten parents have been given a time to meet with their child's teacher to discuss Best Start Reports. It will also be a good time to talk about any issues so that children make the best possible start to school.

We recognise that parents are children's first teachers and we want to work together to get the best education for the children. The kindergarten teachers look forward to meeting parents and finding out more about their students.



Riverina Swimming Carnival

Jessica Power and Ethan Nayden were selected to compete at the Riverina Swimming Carnival last week.

Jessica swam in 5 events which is a massive achievement in its self and she is now the 19th quickest swimmer in the Riverina for her age.

Ethan came home with a huge smile as he won his heat in Albury. I am sure these two swimmers will be back next year to post some more PBs!



Mathematics in 3/4P

In 3/4P the students have been learning about AREA in their Maths groups. They discovered why a squared number is square. They used 100 sq. cm grids to work out the area of classroom objects and they discovered many ways of constructing patterns that are only 10cm². Lastly they wrote their names in block letters on 1cm grid paper. They worked out whose name had the greatest area. It was a tight contest.





ANZAC Writing Competition

Well done to Dezree Samuelu-Kirby, Chelsea Porter, Sasha Halliburton and Lili Henderson-Clark who have written a poem together about the ANZAC Centenary. The poem has been selected to enter into a writing competition being run by our local MP Michael McCormack.



Rugby League Trials

Last Friday GPS sent 7 boys away for the Zone Rugby League Trials with 5 making the team for their age group. It was a very successful day with highlight of Aaron Nauer scoring a hat-trick of tries.

These boys will now have the opportunity to be selected for the Riverina Team later in the year. Congratulations to Michael Asomua, Wycliff Tuiaki, Reuben Leao-Seve Simpson, Joshua Low, Noah Carberry-Beale and Aaron Nauer for making the

Zone Team and Wotoa Toru and Tanielu Isaia participating and doing their best.

Thank you to parents and guardians who took the time to take these students to Leeton very much appreciated.



Aboriginal Medical Services (AMS) Good Food Visit

The Aboriginal Medical Service paid a visit to our Year 5 boys last Friday to talk about the importance of good nutrition. They talked about what we like to eat (McDonalds, chips, fizzy drinks) and what our body really needs (fruit and vegetables). Then they showed us what happens to the food once it gets to our stomach but putting all the junk food into a blender and mixing it up. The result stank! It wasn't good to look at or to taste. But when you do the same thing with healthy food it simply makes a nice smoothie. It gives us something to think about and how we should be treating our bodies. The AMS is coming again this Friday to talk to Year 5 girls.



Harmony Day and National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence

Harmony Day and National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence celebrations will be held this Friday 21st March 2014. Children are encouraged to wear orange to symbolise harmony or to wear traditional clothes of the country they come from.

Be sure to visit the website www.bullyingnoway.com.au It has fantastic information and resources for students, parents and schools.

3/4S BUPA Visit



PSSA Cricket Knockout 2014

Just a friendly reminder that selected Stage 3 boys will be travelling to Beelbanger Oval on Tuesday the 25th of March. This will be their first cricket game of the year against Beelbanger Public School. A cricket note with essential items needed

on the day was handed to the boys. Please make sure the note is signed and any money owing is paid. Mr Chauhan can be contacted if there are any questions. Best of luck!

P&C News

One P&C fundraiser for this term will be a Easter Egg Raffle. Yum! Yum!

The P&C are asking all parents and carers to donate a chocolate Easter egg or rabbit to the raffle. These can be left in the school office. Extra raffle tickets are available from the office.

All money raised and raffle tickets must be back to school by WEDNESDAY 9TH APRIL.

The P&C *adidas school Fun Run* will be held again this year as part of the schools Cross Country Carnival. The Fun Run is the P&C's major fundraising event for this term.

The Fun run will be held on the following dates- years K-2 on Friday 4th April and years 3-6 on Thursday 3rd April.

The *adidas School Fun-Run* is a healthy, fun and active fundraiser that ensures we send the right message to our children about getting active, having fun and maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Students who raise just \$10 or more will receive a reward for effort. Please look after your sponsorship form as we do not have spares.

All money raised must be back to school by FRIDAY 12TH APRIL.

Thank you,
Helen Lander (P&C President)

Stage 3 Girls Excursion TOMORROW!

Tomorrow all girls in Years 5 and 6 who have returned their note will be attending "The Butterfly Effect" workshop sponsored by Griffith Connections. This is an important self-esteem and confidence building day targeted at young girls. If you daughter has not yet returned \$20 to go she can still get on board if the money is handed in first thing tomorrow, Wednesday. Please support us in supporting your daughter by ensuring she attends.

School Canteen

Wednesday 19 th	Cathy
Thursday 20 th	Siosi Llu
Friday 21 st	Elena
Monday 24 th	Elena
Tuesday 25 th	Brenda

Thank you to last week's helper Hanai. Please do not send New Zealand coins with your child as we will not accept them and your child will be unable to purchase anything at the canteen.

Please have lunch orders in by 9.30am

Chicken Burgers	\$3.50
Chicken Nuggets	\$3.00
Hot Dog	\$3.00

Brenda,
Canteen Manager



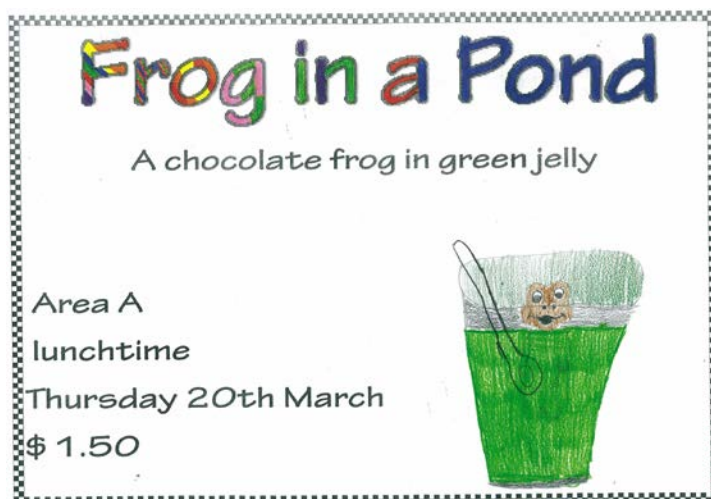
The dentist will be at the Alma Bamblett Community Centre on the 18th March 10:00am to 12:00pm for preschool age children and from 3:00pm to 4:30pm for school aged children.

Win a \$5.00 Canteen Voucher Week 8

Give your newsletter to your parent or carer to read. Ask them to sign this slip and put it in the box in the front office. If your slip is drawn out at Friday's assembly, you will win **one \$5 canteen voucher!** Two slips will be drawn out at each assembly.

Student / Family name: _____

Parent / Carer Signature: _____





P&C Easter Raffle



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Raffle tickets are attached to the newsletter and are \$1.00 each.

Thank you for supporting the P&C.

Helen Lander

(P&C President)

