Dear Parents,

Everyone is looking forward to our author visit and infants’ athletics carnival tomorrow. Parents and friends are welcome to come along for the day - or to any of the activities throughout the day. Our author will be speaking to the students and teachers from 10.00am – 11.30am and after this we will have an early lunch followed by some tabloid activities (Years 3 & 4) and the Infants’ Athletics events (K, 1 & 2 who didn’t attend the small schools’ carnival). Students should wear their sports uniform to school and make sure they have their school hat and a bottle of water. Hot dogs have been ordered today for tomorrow - thank you to Alex Butcher, Tiki Paton and Tara Morris for opening the canteen for us. If you would like to order any of the other lunch items on the menu sent with last week’s newsletter, please follow the normal procedures.

Alauralee Bowditch and Claire Lievens. We are sure you will do your best and be wonderful ambassadors for our school. Check your note from last week to make sure you arrive on time. Remember that there is only a limited canteen operating with drinks.

At last week’s P &C meeting, it was decided to open the canteen on Wednesdays for snacks only. The Year 5 & 6 students are being rostered on to help serve at the canteen and they are extremely excited about this new responsibility. Raisin toast will also be available (20c each) as well as the usual other snacks. Thanks to our Year 6 students who are keen to show their initiative but remember, no lunch orders please!

Best of luck to our students who will contest the Red Ball Tennis competition tomorrow in Wagga. Good luck Destiny, Cooper, Harri Ralph, Claire Lievens. We are sure you will do your best and be wonderful ambassadors for our school. Check your note from last week to make sure you arrive on time. Remember that there is only a limited canteen operating with drinks.

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Gina Wheeler & Opal Champion are rostered on for this Wednesday due to Remembrance Day and Years 6 visits to the High School.

School Photos

Remember that all envelopes for photos need to be returned in time for photos on Wednesday morning please. Correct money must be included. Students who are going to the High School and students attending the Remembrance Day ceremony will have their photos taken first. Please remember that you need to wear your summer school uniform. Girls – dress to be worn with white socks and black shoes, whilst red T shirt (short sleeves), grey shorts and grey/white socks and black shoes for the boys.
Thankyou to those parents who have volunteered to sit on the street stall for us this week. A great response last week for the hamper items required, but we still need families who haven’t yet contributed to please do so.

K/1 – Laundry item
Year 2 – Kitchen item
Year 3 – Food Item
Year 4 – Garden
Years 5 – Stationery
Year 6 – Bathroom

Remember that all monies raised are used to support every student in the school by helping us to keep costs down whilst still allowing all our students to participate in so many different and wonderful learning opportunities.

Raffle tickets need to be returned to school with money by Wednesday 11th November.
The roster is attached for your information.

Remember we will need plenty of cooking - pickles, jam, arts, crafts and plants on the days.

Thankyou to the staff and students who participated in the S Factor last Friday and congratulations to all the students who showed great talent in their performances. Well done everyone.

Our 2016 students enjoyed a visit on Wednesday participating in both literacy and numeracy activities. It was a great day and we look forward to them visiting again on the 26th November for the day.

On Friday 20th November, all the students will be travelling to Uralba to sing to the residents there. We will be leaving school at 10.40am and will return at approximately 11.20 for recess. Please complete the attached permission note and return to school by this Friday. There is no cost for the bus as the school will pay for this. I’m sure the residents will love hearing the children sing.

Everyone is welcome to attend our school assembly next Wednesday 18th November, commencing at 2.00pm. We would love you to come along and share your students’ work with us.

Minutes from last week’s P & C meeting are attached for your information.
What a wonderful opportunity the students who attended the visual arts workshops had last week. The range and quality of the art work produced was outstanding and all the students are to be congratulated for their fantastic efforts and exemplary behaviour. Thankyou to those parents who helped with transport. Congratulations again everyone. Please take time to look at some of their wonderful work in the newsletter.

**Screen Swap Challenge**

**SCREEN SWAP CHALLENGE**

Monday November 16 to Friday November 20

The screen swap challenge is a one week challenge designed to encourage children to swap the time they usually watch TV, play on the computer, tablet or phone for more physical activities. Children undertake the challenge for one week where they track their activities and are awarded points depending on the type of activity and duration.

The challenge also involves parents/carers. For example if a child swaps TV viewing for bike riding they are rewarded with points BUT if a parent/carer joins them on a bike ride – they are rewarded with more points!! Each child receives a Screen Swap Challenge Booklet which includes a tally table and the points system. The children with the most points will win a prize!!

**Head Lice**

**HEAD LICE ALERT**

Please be vigilant with child/children by checking their hair EVERYDAY and treating if necessary

**School Banking**

Don’t forget to send in your Westpac School Banking. Banking will be collected every Wednesday.

**Radio News**

Week 7: Lizzie & Kynan
Week 8: Chloé & Gabby
Week 9: Rylee & Adam
Week 10: Meg & Riley
Week 11: Isaac & Alauralee
This week our focus areas for PBL will be “Play Areas” in the playground and “Entering & Exiting the Room” for our Classroom.

**Playground – Play Areas**

*Respect:* Share and take turns. Be friendly.

*Responsibility:* Play by the rules. Be sun safe.

*Care:* Use equipment properly.

**Classroom – Entering & Exiting the Room**

*Respect:* Walk sensibly and quietly.

*Responsibility:* Line up quietly. Keep in line.

*Care:* Bags on backs. Hand and feet to self.

Please discuss our focus areas with your children this week.

**PBL Weekly Focus Area**

This week our focus areas for PBL will be “Play Areas” in the playground and “Entering & Exiting the Room” for our Classroom.

**PBL Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved the following level in our PBL welfare system.

**ORANGE:** Teleah Smith, Nic Monaghan, Michael Monaghan, Kynan Paton, David Foster, Shanti Kothe-Champion.

**Home Reading**

Congratulations to the following students who have reached 20, 40 and 60 nights Home Reading.

**20 Nights**
Chloe Crossley, Opal Kothe-Champion, Adam Morris.

**40 Nights**
Christopher Afuang, Meg Wheeler, Hayley Booby, Angel Clark, Destiny Cooper, Riley Manns, Lizzie Byron, Zak Anderson, Thomas Casnave, Brydon Harvey, Hayden Crossley, Jack Clarke, Chase Anderson, Makena Hourn, Riley Foster, Indi Tyson.

**60 Nights**
Brandy McGrath, Josie Warren, David Foster, Gabrielle Butcher, Gina Wheeler, Jordan Paton

**Healthy Recess and Lunch**

Congratulations to our healthy recess and lunch awards winners for Week 5

Recess award - Hayden Crossley

**PBL - Uniform Winners**

Congratulations to our weekly uniform award winners for Week 5: Daniel Anderson, Chloe Crossley, Chase Anderson (twice), Isaac Ford. Well done.

**Lunch award – Destiny Cooper**

**Student of the Week**

4/5/6 – Opal Kothe-Champion – For an outstanding effort and participation in Operation Art.

2/3 – Josie Warren – For consistently achieving 100% in spelling.

K/1 – Jack Clarke – For his neat handwriting and good spelling when writing about healthy food.
**Catch of the Week**

4/5/6  - Angel Clark – For always using her manners and following PBL rules at all times.

2/3  - Lilah Norden – For being assertive and positive in all areas.

K/1  - Hayden Crossley – For his increased effort to focus and manage distractions like Rezilla (H2L).

**Book Club**

Book Club brochures are attached. If you wish to place an order, these need to be returned to school with the correct money by **Monday 16th November**

**Thankyou**

**CANTEEN**

**Wednesday 11th November** – Gina Wheeler & Opal Champion

snacks only

**Friday 13th November**  - Shan Bowditch & Cheryl Lanyon

**Monday 16th November**

Alex Butcher & Viviana Tyson

PARTY PIES ARE NO LONGER AVAILABLE

THERE IS ONLY A LIMITED SUPPLY OF CHICKEN CHIPPIES, NUGGETS, AND PIZZA POCKETS - ONCE GONE THEY WILL NO LONGER BE AVAILABLE AS WELL

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