Principal's Report

Thank you to all the parents who have been assisting the students with their learning activities in the classrooms, helping with sport coaching, covering books and transport. It is wonderful to have parent involvement in our school activities. Your help is very much appreciated by staff and students.

This week teachers will be holding Parent/Teacher interviews. If you have been unable to make a time for an interview as yet, please see your class teacher to organise an appointment.

Our Athletics carnival will be held tomorrow Tuesday 1st April.

If your child needs to be collected by you at the completion of the carnival, you must notify the class teacher for names to be marked off. Thank you.

Sapphire Awards Assembly will be held this Friday 4th April at 9am.

Voluntary School Contributions

Our 2014 School Contributions are as follows:

$30.00 per student
$45.00 for 2 students
$60.00 for 3 or more students

Please be aware that these fees are not compulsory, however all money raised goes directly back into educational resources for our students.

ANZAC Day March

Once again our school will be marching on ANZAC Day to pay respect to our service men and women. Details are as follows:

Date: Friday 25th April
Time: Meet at the Diggers Club from 10:15am
Clothing: Full Winter School Uniform

This is obviously during the school holiday; however we would appreciate students taking part in this special day.

NAPLAN

If your child is currently in Year 3 or 5 they will be sitting NAPLAN tests this May. Despite what you may have heard, there's no reason to panic or start an intensive study schedule for your child. Find out more:


Positive Partnerships

There will be a free two day workshop and information sessions for Parents/Carers of school age students on the autism spectrum.

Some key community representatives that support families living with autism will be identified and invited to participate in the workshop with a view to supporting a community focus beyond the workshop.

Workshop details:

Venue: Griffith Ex-Services Club
When: Two day workshop- Tuesday 20 & Wed 21 May 2014

Registration opens tomorrow Tuesday 1st April and closes 2 days prior to the workshop.
For online registrations go to the website www.positivepartnerships.com.au

Positive Partnerships info line number: 1300881971

Enjoy your week,
Karen Date (Relieving Principal)
**Calendar**

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**Welcome to Our New Kindergarten Students**

Each newsletter we will have pictures and information on two of our new Kindergarten students. This week we have Brock Signor and William Terrazas.

**Name**

Brock Signor

**What do you Like about School**

I like playing Reading Eggs and being on the computer.

**What do you want to do when you grow up**

I want to be a Policeman when I grow up.

**Name**

William Terrazas

**What do you Like about School**

I like everything especially playing tennis and playing on the computers.

**What do you want to do when you grow up**

I want to be a Chef when I grow up.

**P & C CANTEEN UPDATE**

An extraordinary meeting was held by the P&C Executive to review the running of the canteen and uniform shop. A decision was made to change the operating hours of the canteen to Tuesdays and Fridays only. This decision was made after much discussion and has come about as our student numbers have decreased substantially over the past 2 years. The new operating days will commence next term. Your continued support of our schools’ canteen is much appreciated.

Thank you, Simone Bardney, P&C President

**FUNDRAISING MEETING**

There will be a fundraising meeting to be held on Wednesday night at the Yenda Pub at 7:30pm. We will be discussing major raffle and fundraising for term 2.

Everyone is most welcome to attend. We would love to see some new faces!

**K-2 CHOIR**

Thank you to those students and parents who have returned their choir permission and commitment notes.

There are just a few still to be returned. I really need to know who is committed to choir, to avoid any confusion when it comes to performing at venues. We are enjoying some lunch time sing-a-longs!

Thank you, Mrs Date

**P & C RAFFLE**

The P & C will be holding a raffle at the Athletics Carnival. Tickets $1 each available from the Carnival Canteen tomorrow.

- **First prize** Voucher for Athletes Foot
- **Second prize** Fold out chair from Footy Focus
- **Third prize** Hamper

**YEARS 5 & 6**

Would you like to learn to knit? Would you like to make yourself a scarf for winter?

On Thursdays I will be conducting “Knitters Club” in the Library at 1:10pm. I will commence with Year 5 & 6 students and invite years 3 & 4 to join us next term.

If you would like to make your own scarf, you will need to provide your own needles and wool/yarn. I would recommend the following:

- **Needles** – 1 pair size 5mm or 5.5mm or 6mm
- **Wool/yarn**- 200g 8ply (multicolour is great to use for a scarf eg. Fayette – available at Spotlight).

There are great supplies available at Big W, Spotlight or Lincraft. Mrs Chilvers
YR 5/6 EXCURSION BALLARAT
Payment should have been finalised by Monday last week. Please attend to any outstanding fees.

GRiffith Connections & Griffith Regional Art Gallery
Holiday workshop with Sydney artist Nana Ohnesorge. Monday 14 April 9:30-12:30pm Cost $10 includes materials. Contact 6962 8338 for more information.

Riverina Yoga Studio
Yoga for Kids with Janine Murphy Wed 16th April 10:30-11:30am at Riverina Art Studio 49a Koooyo St. Cost $10. Ages 7-14 years. Bookings required, phone Janine on 0400 240883

University of NSW Competitions 2014
To the parents of Years 2-6 students. We need a minimum of 3 students per subject for that subject to run. The entry needs to be into the office by 7th April.

Computer Skills 20 May Yrs 3-6 $8 _______
Science 4 June Yrs 2-6 $8 _______
Writing 17 June Yrs 3-6 $17 _______
Spelling 18 June Yrs 3-6 $11 _______
English 31 July Yrs 2-6 $8 _______
Mathematics 13 Aug Yrs 2-6 $8 _______
Total $ _______

Child’s Name __________________________ Class __________

Vegetable tips for snacks
- Include vegetable slices with cheese and crackers
- Top English muffins with chopped tomato, capsicum and ham, sprinkle with reduce fat cheese and heat
- Serve vegetable sticks with salsa
- Vegetable based soup makes a great snack on cold afternoons
- Cooked two minute noodles mixed with grated zucchini and chopped tomatoes and top with grated low fat cheese

Holiday Tennis Clinic
Barellan
When: Monday 14th, Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th April 2014.
Time: 9am – 12noon (Sausage sizzle provided on the last day)
Age: 5 – 14 years
Cost: $20 per child per day
Contact: Louise Hornery 0409 587 838

Please detach and return to:
Louise Hornery
PO Box 120 Barellan NSW 2665 OR

Email: louie112@hotmail.com
Forms can be completed on the first day if entries are received by phone.

Child Name: ..................................................
Age: ............
Emergency Contact
Name:...............................................................
Contact number:..............................................
Medical Conditions:.............................................

Signed: (Parent/Guardian)..............................................

Please bring own racquet, drink, snack, hat and sunscreen

RETURN OF NOTES
Sorry for all the notes of late, however it is important that we have your permission re walking out of school grounds, internet use, family details updates and permission to publish. If you have not returned these please do so before the end of Term.

Thank you.