Week 11, Term 1
10th April, 2013

Dear All

It's hard to believe a quarter of the school year has passed already. We have had a very busy, enjoyable and successful first term and I congratulate the students on their efforts and progress. Next term will again be a busy one with the following planned events:

- Week 1 Yrs 3-6 Cross Country
- Week 3 NAPLAN for all Yr 3 and 5 students
- Week 5 K-2 Sports Day
- Week 6 Yr 5 Excursion to Melbourne/Ballarat
- Week 7 Yr 6 Excursion to Canberra
- Week 8 Semester 1 Student Reports sent to parents/carers

School Development Day

A reminder that Monday 29 April is a School Development Day. **Students return to school on Tuesday 30 April.**

ANZAC Day Service and March - 25 April

The Albury ANZAC Day march will be held in the holidays this year and I hope many students will join us to represent Albury PS in the march. There are a few changes to the 2013 march. The first change will be the use of both sides of Dean Street for the march. Primary Schools will line up in Spencer Street at 8:30am and High Schools in front of First Choice Bottle shop. The second change will be that all schools will turn right off Dean into QEII Square after passing the saluting dais where they will be collected by parents/carers. We look forward to your child’s attendance if possible at this very significant occasion.

Our school ANZAC Day service will be held tomorrow Thursday 11 April, commencing at 10:45 am. Parents and carers are most welcome to attend.

Head Lice

Recently we have had several reported cases of head lice. The Health Department clearly states that students with head lice should not attend school until they have been treated and no head lice are visible. Also students will be sent home if they are infected. Please use the time over the holidays to thoroughly check your children’s hair for head lice and treat if required.

The following information is from the NSW Health Department:
- Head lice and nits only live on human heads.
- They don't care if the hair is long or short, clean or dirty.
- Kids with head lice don't always scratch. The only way to rule out infestation is to look carefully through your child's hair.
- Head lice don't leap or jump. They crawl from hair to hair, from one head to another.
- You may be able to help reduce transmission by tying girls' hair back and braiding it.

Kindergarten Music Program

In Term 2 Kindergarten students will participate in “Kodaly” (pronounced “Ko-Dye”) music lesson each Tuesday. The program will be taught by Albury Conservatorium personnel. I thank the Border Trust for subsidising this program.

Life Education Van

Due to the Life Education teacher being unwell, two classes 3CM and KWD have not visited the van as yet. These two classes will receive their lessons in Week 1 Tuesday 30 April.
Cyberbullying

The statistics around cyberbullying are sketchy, mainly because it often goes unreported. What we do know is that the likelihood of children being bullied online or over the phone increases as they get older and use technology more frequently. We also know that parents typically monitor their younger children's online activities more than they do tweens and teenagers. Unfortunately the age when kids are most likely to be cyberbullied coincides with when we're least likely, as parents, to know about it. (Cybersmart website)

Students participate in cyberbullying lessons as part of their computer program. For parent information and further tips go to http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/Parents/Resources or http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology

Say NO to cyberbullying – tips for parents/carers (Cybersmart)

- Talk to your child about cyberbullying before it happens. Work out strategies to address cyberbullying that both of you are comfortable with so your child knows what to expect if they do report their concerns to you.
- Establish one or two other trusted adults your child is comfortable in approaching about their concerns.
- Be aware of what your child is doing online and explore it with them.
- Keep the lines of communication open so your child will be comfortable about talking to you if something is worrying them. Help your child to develop the skills they need to interact safely and respectfully online. Guide their online activities and help them learn to communicate appropriately with friends and family.
- Try to locate the computer in a shared or visible place in the home.
- Discuss the kinds of sites that are ok to explore and those that are not. Establish clear rules about online activities.
- Help your child to block anyone who sends offensive content. Most social networking services allow users to block and report someone who is behaving badly.

A reminder that I will be on Long Service Leave until Week 4 Term 2 and Mrs Eckley will be Relieving Principal.

I'd like to wish you and your family a relaxing, safe and happy holiday.
Carolyn Howard, Principal (Rel.)

Sports Assemblies

Due to the large number of award recipients we are presenting the sports awards for the Swimming Carnival at this Thursday's Sports Assembly at 12:00. Awards for the Athletics Carnival will be presented at another Sports Assembly held in Week 1 on Thursday 2 May at 12:00.

Parents and friends are invited to attend these assemblies. Many thanks to Mrs Nolan, our Sports Coordinator and the Sport Committee for organising these awards and assemblies.

Rugby League - Congratulations to Lachlan Curtain-Marlowe and Cooper Tanner who represented Albury Public School at the District trials for Rugby League last Wednesday. Both boys have been selected to represent the Albury District at the Regional trials at Leeton on Friday 3 May. Well done boys. Melinda Martin, Rugby League Co-ordinator

Riverina Dance Ensemble - Congratulations to these Albury Public School students who have been selected in the Riverina Dance Ensemble for 2013; Lauren Antonello, Georgina Cominos, Harriette Evans, Indiah Hallows, Yasmin Linssen, Sarsha Smith, Karlie Travassaros and Petria Travassaros. Being part of the Ensemble means that they will have the opportunity to participate in dance festivals and events organised by the DEC throughout the year. Well done girls. Melinda Martin, Dance Co-ordinator

Hockey - Congratulations to Mac Harper, Noah Jones, Cooper Tanner, Chloe Bartasek, Sabine Jorgensen, Lily Robertson and Monae Scott-Coutts who have been selected to represent our school at the Albury District Hockey Trials on 11 April. Sue Waters Hockey Co-ordinator
**Gold Certificates** - Congratulations to:
Grace McGarvie, Billy Richardson, Sanjaya Koirala

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**Canteen News**

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Reminder - canteen will be closed on the last day of Term, Friday 12 April for start of renovations. A “HUGE” thankyou to all our Term 1 helpers. It is appreciated. Thankyou too everyone who already have “Cross Country” lunch orders in. They are due on the first Wednesday of Term 2. (No late orders will be accepted).

Happy Holidays. Rachael & Ali Ph:60212370

**CANTEEN COMMITTEE - CONVENOR**

The Canteen committee is in urgent need of a Convenor. This role involves being able to attend Canteen committee meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 2.30 to 3.00pm. The Convenor is also the Canteen representative at the P&C meetings, which are held the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm. Meetings are only held during school terms. Please contact Jacqui Vaughan on 0438 218 714 if you would like some further information about this role. We also welcome any general committee members who would like to be involved in the decision making for running of the Canteen. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 15 May at 2.30pm in the Canteen.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

Multi-Sport & Exercise is a program for pre-schoolers aged 2.5 to 6yrs. Classes available Mon-Sat. Five sports are covered per term including: Soccer, Tennis, Hockey, AFL, Cricket, Athletics, Basketball, Rugby, Golf, & T-ball. Classes are held at: Albury PCYC, Cnr Keene & Andrew St, Albury. Call the team at Ready Steady Go Kids or visit online for class times on readysteadygokids.com.au or 1300766892. Come ‘N” try open day, at Albury PCYC on Sat 27 April at 10am-12pm

**Albury Public School - Cross Country Reminders - 2013**

When: Friday 3 May at the Equestrian Centre off Corry’s Road Thabgoona.

Students leave the school by bus at **11:45am** and return around **2:30pm**. Please come and cheer on our runners.

Students will need to bring: **hat, sunscreen, drink and snack**. (Lunch will be eaten at school at 11am)

There are no extra canteen lunch orders on the day, only what has already been ordered earlier.

Students should try and wear house colours. The day may be cool, so warm clothing is important.

**We still need another three or four cyclists to ride in front of the runners and show them the way.**

If you can help, please phone the office and leave your name and contact details.

Rosemary Coughlan, Cross Country Co-Ordinator

**APS Market Stall**

On Thursday 28 March our student environment committee organised a market stall out the front of our school. We raised $36, which will be used to purchase further materials for the garden. Thank you to our wonderful school community for your support and these terrific, dedicated students for their involvement.

Lynda Joyce, Environment Committee Convenor
APS Athletics Carnival

The APS Athletics Carnival was held on Wednesday 27 March, 2013. The day was extremely hot and I thank all those involved for their outstanding effort.

There are many jobs that are completed ‘behind the scenes’ which also contribute to a successful carnival on the day and I sincerely thank those people for their time and effort.

Finally the results of the carnival were as follows:

House Points: Hume Hovell Murray Mitchell
581 549 477 375

AGE CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to all these students and best of luck to our school team who will compete at the Zone Carnival next term.
Rosemary Coughlan Athletics Co-ordinator

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Trivia Night

On Monday night, Year 6 gathered in the hall for a trivia fundraiser! More than 62 children attended this fun-filled event. A big thankyou to all the parents that helped out; Liz and Dean Campbell, Rachael Baker, Tania Scott, Melissa Pargeter, Claire Jorgensen, Jodie Tiernan, Deanne Tanner and Andrew Beltrame. We also would like to thank the teachers that assisted; Mrs Coughlan, Miss Brooker, Mrs Eckley, Mrs Carey and Mr Bourke, as well as the high school helpers; Ella Waite, Will Campbell and Katja Jorgensen. The winners were … Felix Baker, Burkeley Macfarlane, Wendell McFarland, Willson Mack, Kit Wilke and Myles Hanrahan! We raised approximately $130 which will go towards the Year 6 farewell at the end of the year. Could you answer these questions?

Who is the missing dwarf: Happy, Grumpy, Sneezy, Sleepy, Doc, Dopey? Bashful (one group answered Mrs Carey!)

Who invented the bionic ear? Professor Graham Clarke (one group answered Mrs Coughlan!)

Who sings ‘Boys from the Bush’? Lee Kernaghan (one group answered Mr Bourke!)

Who sings ‘We Come Running’? Youngblood Hawke (one group answered Mrs Eckley!)

By Mackenzie Scott-Coutts and Jamieson Ayton.

The winners

Girls enjoying the night