Dear All

**P & C FATHERS’ DAY STALL** - I hope all the dads and special males were spoilt last Sunday on Fathers’ Day. Many thanks to Marie Bucher, Kerry Van Zanten for organising it and their group of fabulous helpers, Helen Macpherson, Judith Sowden and Tracey Brown who assisted with the Father’s Day stall. The students thoroughly enjoyed being given the opportunity to buy a gift for their dad. The stall also raised funds for our school. We did find some toffee wrappers in the playground after lunch so I think the temptation was a little too much for some of our students!!

**MUSICAL** - What wonderful musical performances we viewed last week over the two nights at the Albury Entertainment Centre. We sold 1636 tickets in total, with only 148 unsold for the two nights. This was a great effort! Thank you to all the families who supported us. It was also great to see so many of our students confidently performing with huge smiles on their faces. I was very proud of the students and staff for their efforts, as I am sure you were. I thank all the families who have sent congratulatory cards and messages. I am sure our 2013 musical will be long remembered by our students and the audiences. Our next K-6 school event will be the **Lapathon** which will be held on Wednesday 23 October.

**2014 KINDERGARTEN PARENT/CARER INFORMATION NIGHT** - A reminder that our 2014 Kindergarten Parent/Carer Information Night will be held next Tuesday 10 September, commencing at 7:30pm in the hall. Parking is available in the school grounds, entry via Smollett St. This night gives you the opportunity to find out about the Kindergarten Orientation Program and what will happen in the first few weeks of school. It is also the time to ask any questions you have with regard to your child commencing school and to meet school personnel.

**HEALTH NEWS** - The Health Department recommends to please keep your children at home if they have a bad cold so it is not spread to others. If your child has a cold, stop it spreading by teaching them the simple **SNEEZESAFE®** practice – it’s as easy as 1,2,3!

1. **Catch it:**- Germs spread easily so make sure your kids always use a tissue when they sneeze /cough
2. **Bin it:**- Germs can live for several hours on tissues so throw the tissue away in a bin straightaway
3. **Kill it:**- Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch so wash hands as soon as you can or reach for the anti-bacterial hand sanitizer. Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough.

**STATE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL** - Last Friday a group of 19 students represented Albury Public School at the Riverina Athletics Carnival. Congratulations to all of them on their efforts, behaviour and sportsmanship. Four students will be going onto the State Athletics Carnival held on 16 and 17 October, in Sydney. **Will Haberfield**- Junior Boys 800m, **Natalie Gibbons**-11yrs Girls 800m, **Bailey Clemson**-11yrs High Jump **Charlie Hargreaves** -11yrs Long Jump.

We wish them further success at the next carnival.

Enjoy your week, Carolyn Howard, Principal (Rel.)

**THE GREAT BOOK SWAP** - In Week 10 of this term, the Student Council will be running a fundraiser for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. This organisation aims to raise funds for poor and disadvantaged communities in Australia by providing funding for and access to better literacy resources for young indigenous students. We will be holding a Great Book Swap. It is simple and fun, and encourages our students to broaden their reading and enjoyment of books. We are asking each student to select and bring in one or two books, that they would like to give away for somebody else to read. We will be collecting these books in the gym on Monday and Tuesday 16 & 17 September. Students will then be given the opportunity to go and browse the books, and for a gold coin donation – select a book to take in place of the one they donated. Students are asked to start thinking which books they would like to swap. Nadene Glenane, Coordinator.
GEOLOGY IN 5/6AB - Susannah Hobbs, geologist, recently visited 5/6AB to give us a better understanding of rocks and minerals found all over the world. Her presentation explained the rock cycle and the three different types of rocks. Susannah explained that all rocks are minerals, but not all minerals are rocks. Susannah was a wealth of information, sharing experiences from her time at the Kalgoorlie Gold Mine in Western Australia and a diamond mine in Canada. We would like to sincerely thank her for her knowledge and time. 5/6AB Students.

YR6 SCIENCE WITH MR SCHUPINA - During the last three weeks, Mr Paul Schupina from Albury High School has been working with the Year 6 students at Albury Public. The purpose of these lessons was for students to become familiar with Mr Schupina as the Year 7 Year Advisor for 2014. Students were engaged in hands on activities that involved testing the PH levels of various household items. It was a very enjoyable learning experience. We would like to thank Mr Schupina for his expertise. Mr Schupina will return again later in the year for another lesson. YEAR 6 Students.

STAGE 3 FUNDRAISER - Stage 3 (Yrs 5 & 6) students have been asked to raise money to support their peers who represent the school at a state level. Their fundraiser will be a “Guess the number of lollies in a jar” competition. Students will need to bring in 50c for a guess in the next two weeks. Prizes will be awarded in Week 10. Many thanks, Mrs Pargeter , Mr Bourke and Mrs Browne, Coordinators.

YEAR 3 WYMACH EXCURSION - The Year 3 Wymah Excursion is on in Week 10, Monday 16 September and Tuesday 17 September. Students who are attending this camp have been given medical and waiver forms which must be completed and returned to school by this Friday 6 September. Some students still have to finalise payment for the camp. Please ensure this is paid to the office as soon as possible. Melinda Martin, Camp Coordinator.

ESL STUDENTS AND THE WRITE AROUND THE MURRAY FESTIVAL - Today a group of 11 ESL students went to the LibraryMuseum to attend the launch of the Write Around the Murray Festival, at which an art installation was unveiled on the exterior of the building. The students were involved in creating this installation, by writing words, phrases and sentences reflecting their experiences of coming to Australia. The project is an opportunity for voices and stories to be heard, with a wide range of community groups participating. They have worked with Glen Clarke, an internationally renowned artist, as well as local artist Bronwyn Cossor. Further information is available at www.writearoundthemurray.org.au

Over the past 6 months local writer Melanie Ruth has been putting together a multicultural cookbook called ‘Hungry’. She has worked with families in our area to gather recipes to represent each continent. One of our families, the Bogdanovas, is featured with recipes from Kazakhstan. Also featuring is artwork from some of the ESL students. Artwork and pictures of the students will be displayed in the Kidspace area of the Library from 29 August. The book will be launched on Saturday 7 September from 11-11:30 at the LibraryMuseum. More information on the book can be found at https://open.abc.net.au/post/hungry-72zf1tf Marie Morell, ESL Teacher.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY - APS is participating in the Fight Cancer Foundation FOOTY COLOURS DAY on Friday 6 September. Students can come to school dressed in the colours of their favourite AFL, NRL, Rugby Union or Soccer team. A gold coin donation will be required. Student councillors will be collecting the donations from each class. I look forward to seeing who you support on the day! Karlee Nolan, Coordinator.

SPELLING BEE CLASS FINALISTS CORRECTION - Belated congratulations to Alanah Kilo, whose name should have been included last week as a Premier’s Spelling Bee Class Finalist. Well done Alanah! I was impressed by the high standard of all the finalists – we obviously have a lot of very talented spellers in Stage 2, as the competition was fierce! Sally Morris, Coordinator.

ABORIGINAL HEALTH - Next Monday 9 September commencing at 9:30am, two Aboriginal Health Workers from Albury Community Health Centre will be visiting our school. They will be offering support and screening for our K-2 indigenous students. We sincerely thank them for their ongoing support to the students at Albury Public School. Gail Eckley, Deputy Principal (Rel).

TOUCH FOOTBALL - We are desperately seeking parents/carers to help with the running of touch football for summer PSSA. If you can coach or umpire please contact the school as soon as possible. Nadene Glenane, Coordinator.
Don’t forget the September Meal Deal is only available on MONDAY / TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY!
If you would like to help in the Canteen or are unable to do your shift, please call us.
Rachael and Ali, Ph 60212370.

P & C NEWS - ELECTION DAY BBQ AND CAKE STALL- We have sent out
requests and details on when and where to deliver your baked goods on Friday 6
September. Please check bags for the information sheet (on bright yellow). We hope that
everyone will be able to bake something to donate to our stall, and bring to the School Gym on Friday 6.
Helpers to cook and serve on the day are still needed, so if you have an hour or two to help please let me
know. Regards, Marie Bucher, P&C President, anthmari@hotmail.com

GARDENING WORKING BEE- Sunday 15 September at 10:30am. Jobs to be done include
setting up a new vegie bed for the kindergarten students and preparing another area for a
sensory garden. If you would like to come and help we would be delighted to see you. If you can
fit a shovel or a wheelbarrow in your car that would be useful, though not essential. We will meet near
The Block. If you can help please let me know. Lou Newman -piplou@bigpond.com

COMMUNITY NEWS- ALBURY UNIFORMS & SCHOOLWEAR- Moving to 1104 Mate St, North Albury.
RE-OPENING Wednesday 4 September, 2013. Re-introducing our free Schoolwear Bonus Club for our
Schoolwear families. Contact 60216274 for further information.

ALBURY OOSH- (Albury Public School)- The next holiday program will run from 23 September until 4 October.
Bookings can be made on http://www.alburycity.nsw.gov.au/ (under the Community Services tab) or by collecting a booking sheet from the OOSH building. Phone 6043 5630.

EMILY EYEFINGER -author Duncan Ball will be in the AlburyCity Entertainment Centre foyer on Thursday 5
September from 5:30-6:30pm signing books! We hope to see you there!

SHARKS WATER POLO CLUB- Registration Sunday 8 September 10:00-12:30pm at the Gould Swim Academy
(104 Boronia St, North Albury).

ALBURY JUNIOR TOUCH- Summer competition registration Monday 9 and 16 September, 5:00-6:00pm at
Jelbart Park. For further details contact 0418 166 762 or visit www.alburytouch.com

SS & A JUNIOR BASKETBALL CLUB are looking for players, male and female, in all age groups to commence
in term 4, 2013. If you are interested please phone Sharon Kirby on 0419 374 454.

LAVINGTON PANTHERS JUNIOR BASKETBALL CLUB are looking for boys and girls for their U10 teams to commence in term 4, 2013. Please direct all enquiries to Lorraine Crawford on 0428 638 124.

JUNIOR CRICKET- EAST ALBURY CRICKET CLUB- Rego Days, Sat 7 September and Sat 14 September.
9:00am-12:00noon, Thurgoona Plaza, Thurgoona or Alexandra Park, East Albury.
Contact John Milosta on 0407 261 386. (Includes ‘in2 CRICKET’ for ages 6-10).

CUB SCOUTS (7.6yrs - 11yrs)- 1st Albury Scout Group. Thursday nights 7:00-8:30am, School Term, Phone Sue
for further details on 60217827.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY NETBALL CLINIC- Tuesday 24 September, Dight St, Jindera, from 9:00am-12:00pm. For
further information call 02 9951 5000 or email netballnsw@netballnsw.com

LAVINGTON-JINDERA LITTLE ATHLETICS- Registration Friday 13 September and 20 September at Alexandra
Park from 4:30pm-6:00pm. Please bring birth certificate or blue/yellow book. ONLINE REGO- www.lavic.com.au and follow the Join/Registration prompt. Enquiries please phone Julie Clarke, Secretary, on 0423 413 310.

HOTHOUSE HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS- Myths, Fables & Legends (7-12yrs). Wed 2 - Fri 4 October at the Butter
Factory. Bookings essential phone 02 6021 7433 or email beck@hothousetheatre.com.au

Gold Certificates
Congratulations to:- Vidhushe Sarangadasa, Baileigh Ahne, Johanna Ratnik,
Charlotte Jones, Chloe Hitchon, Laura Gillard, Paras Padhia, Ella Hansford, Thomas Hyman,
Phoebe Grigg, Zoe Morrison, Claire Martin and Edie Koller.
What have Year 3 been up to??
Well........................................

We had a visit from author Susan Berran.  We’ve been looking after the garden.

We performed in the school musical.  We had fun dressing up for Book Week.

We went to the LibraryMuseum for the Universe Exhibition.

....... and now we are looking forward to the Wymah Camp in Week 10!