Dear All

EDUCATION WEEK- What a glorious sunny day we had yesterday for our Open Day for Education Week! It was fantastic to see so many parents/carers, grandparents and friends visiting our school. As I walked around the rooms I saw students proudly and happily discussing their work. It was also great to see our visitors so involved in the school activities. At recess, our three choirs and ensemble produced some spine tingling performances. I congratulate these students as well as the talented teachers who led these groups. Many parents/carers also took the opportunity to view the wonderful learning experiences being provided in the K-1 Gymnastics and the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden programs. Some parents were even treated with a cup of delicious chicken soup and Indian flatbread, all prepared by our Year 4 chefs!! Thank you to all the visitors who were able to join us on this special day when we celebrated the achievements of our inspirational staff and students.

PUBLIC EDUCATION PROMOTION- Last night staff and parents/carers joined me in the launch of the Public Education promotion advertisement at the Regent Cinemas, Albury. The advertisement includes students representing the public primary and high schools in the Albury area. Two Year 5 students, Toby Lewis and Olivea Beltrame, were our representatives as our school captains were in Canberra at the time of the filming. Both students did a great job on the big screen. The advertisement will be screened regularly before movies from now until the new school year.

EISTEDDFOD- Next Wednesday 6 August our Junior (Yrs 3-4) and Senior (Yrs 5-6) choirs will perform at the Albury Eisteddfod. Students need to ensure they have returned their permission notes and wear their formal winter uniform, including black shoes. After listening to their performances at Open Day, I am certain they will perform admirably.

KINDERGARTEN 2015– A reminder we are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2015. Please contact the front office for further information.

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

RIVERINA ATHLETICS CARNIVAL- The Riverina Athletics Carnival will be held in Albury on Monday 4 August. Albury Public School has twenty students competing as part of the Albury District team. Congratulations on your achievements thus far and best wishes for Monday to the following students:

PSSA NEWS

PLEASE NOTE! - The Front Office staff do not make phone calls for students who do not bring their sporting uniform, boots or equipment on Fridays for PSSA sport. These students will become supporters/spectators for the games. This may encourage the students to develop better habits in the future. Please encourage your child to check their bags on Friday mornings to avoid any disappointment.

PSSA NETBALL- Junior A team played Trinity and won 18-0. Amy Houlihan played a great game. Junior B Team played Springdale Heights Public and came away 18 – 2 winners. Simone Farrah was excellent in defence and Dana Matthew shot well. The Senior A Team played Albury West and had a good 14 -2 win. Best players were Mackenzie Jones and Petria Travassaros. Senior B played Thuroonga and won 16 -0. Claudia Murphy and Olivia McCaig were valuable players. I thank Mrs Martin for taking the girls while I was at a professional development course for the day. Nadene King, Coordinator.

PSSA HOCKEY- The Juniors were successful in winning against Trinity Red 2 – 0. Oliver Rennie and Lillian Eggleton were strong in passing the ball and Bridget Ritchie fought hard with strong defensive skills. Ruby Martin and Ryan Yensch were our goal scorers, well done to them. A sincere thank you to Lyndon Robertson for his expertise in coaching. The Senior Team played Lavington East Public School on an extremely boggy grass field in what was a scoreless game. The team strived to clear the ball and create some speed but it was difficult. Well done to Matt Brownbill and Alex Rennie who were team managers on the day. Lily Robertson showed great defensive skills. We invite all family and friends to our games held at Alexandra Park at approximately 1:30pm on Fridays. Jess Brooker, Coordinator.

PSSA SOCCER, Friday 18 July- Juniors- APS Gold 16 defeated Thuroonga 2 at Sarvaas Park. APS Blue 16 defeated Gerogery Mullengandra 1 at Alexandra Park.
Seniors- APS Gold 0 lost to Thuroonga 5 at Sarvaas Park. APS Blue 15 defeated Table Top/Gerogery/Mullengandra 1 at Alexandra Park. We had some big wins. Despite the wet and muddy conditions, the players enjoyed themselves and displayed excellent sportsmanship.

Friday 25 July- Senior Soccer-Last Friday APS Gold played St Pats Green at Hayden Park and APS Blue played Albury North at Glen Park. All teams were successful with a win. Well done to Sarsha Smith, Laura Gillard and Josh Green, Will Clarke and Chelsea Ehlers as they were all major contributors on the day. Congratulations to all players on their teamwork and sportsmanship!
It would be great to see parents/carers at this week’s games to cheer on our players. GOLD have the bye this week and BLUE play at Glen Park.
Dylan Clift and Chris Bourke, Coordinators.

PSSA AFL- The AFL players were faced with an extremely muddy Collings Park last Friday for the game against Glenroy. We came away victorious; the final score being 63 to 13. When we held our positions, the play became more open, enabling us to make better our opportunities for goal. Our best on ground were: Jett Raudino, Connor McAleer, Bailey Clemson, Charlie Condon, Will Pargeter, Samuel Baillie, Max Byrne and Elijah Farrah. Many thanks to Peter Steer who umpired and coached the team. Christel Pargeter, Coordinator.

VALUES AWARD WINNERS, Wk 2 T3
Tylan Collins, Abdul El-Souki, and Austin Marcuzzi
Thank you to everyone for their ongoing help. We have some spots still vacant this term so if you can help please call in or phone us.

Don’t forget sauce is an **extra 20c** - Hot Dogs are the only thing that includes sauce in the price.

**Thurs 31**
9:00-11:30am  Alison Baillie  11:00-1:30pm  Perl Vandenberghe

**Fri 1**
9:00-11:30am  LeeAnne Smith  11:00-1:30pm  Janet Waite

**Mon 4**
12:00-1:30pm  Simone Irvine

**Tues 5**
12:00-1:30pm  Sue Shiphard

**Wed 6**
10:30-1:30pm  Rachel Dwyer

**Thurs 7**
9:00-11:30am  **HELPER NEEDED**  11:00-1:30pm  Kirsty Marchant

**Fri 8**
9:00-1:30pm  Fiona Pedler  11:00-1:30pm  Janet Waite

Welcome back to Term 3. Hope you all had a relaxing holiday. We have a few gaps in the roster so please phone or call in and put your name down.

Rachael and Ali, Ph 6021 2370.

**PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE (PRC)-** The 2014 Challenge is in its final stages. Students **must** complete their online Student Reading Records by Monday 22 August (11:59 pm). This allows me time to complete any required follow-up and to validate student’s reading logs. At the time of this newsletter there are 42 students who have completed the Challenge. Congratulations to those individuals.

There are a large number of students who are still reading to complete the Challenge. Students are able to enter their own reading record onto the PRC web site. Once on this site they log on using their DET username and password. (The one they use to get onto the computers at school.) Alternatively hand in a print copy of the reading log to me and I will enter it. Remember K-2 students need to read 30 books, 25 of which need to be from the set reading list. Students 3-6 need to read 20 books of which 15 need to be from the provided reading list. The website is: [https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html](https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html) Happy reading!

Alison Griffith, PRC Coordinator

**THE PREMIER’S SPELLING BEE:** (PSB) competition will be held again in Term 3. All classes from Years 3 - 6 will be participating and conducting their own Class finals in Week 6. Two finalists from each class will be selected to participate in the School Final in Week 6 (Thursday 21 August). Following this, four school finalists will represent Albury Public at the Regional finals, competing with other local finalists for a chance to go on to represent our region at the State Final in Sydney (flights and accommodation for competitor and a guardian are paid for in the event we get to this point)! Following this, four school finalists will represent Albury Public at the Regional finals, competing with other local finalists for a chance to go on to represent our region at the State Final in Sydney (flights and accommodation for competitor and a guardian are paid for in the event we get to this point)! In addition to class activities, interested students can improve their chances by reviewing the lists at home. A link to the word lists has been provided in the hardcopy of the newsletter. Students in Year 3 and 4 should access the Junior word list, while students in Year 5 and 6 should access the Senior list. Good Luck! Sally Morris, PSB Coordinator.
This term we are exploring digital art. We have also been learning about rainforests in HSIE. Here are just a few of the word clouds we created using words to describe rainforests.

Today our classroom was open for Education Week. Thank you to all our special visitors for dropping by. We really enjoyed the opportunity to share our wonderful learning environment with you!