Dear All

SWIM SCHOOL
Yesterday morning I had the opportunity to visit our annual swim school. I was very impressed with the attention and enthusiasm our students were displaying. Parents will be impressed that we seem to have returned from the first two days of swimming school with ALL of our gear. Our teachers have let me know that we have not yet contributed to the pool’s lost property collection – Well done!

Swimming is a vital skill for our students and we are lucky to be able to offer this critical activity as part of our curriculum. Thank you to Ms Cameron, Mr Clift, Mrs Martin, Mr Neil, Miss Hastings, Mrs Ridoutt, Mr Hollis and Mr Nichols for ‘making this happen’ for our students!

SURVEYS
Last week we put the link for our annual satisfaction survey in the newsletter. If you have not yet had the opportunity to complete the survey, I have attached the link again: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/APSschoolsatis2015

The survey is to be completed online by Friday 4 December, 2015. The easiest way to access the link is from this newsletter page on the school’s website. Survey completion is confidential and voluntary – Thank you!

2016 STUDENT COUNCILLORS
The Year 5 nominees for 2016 School Councillor positions were informed last week of the twelve representatives for 2016. The maturity and conscientiousness that was displayed by all of the nominees is to be commended, they were all worthy candidates. Following the elections, I have pleasure in announcing that the following students were successful and they will be presented with either a school councillor, vice-captain or captain badge at our Annual Presentation Awards Ceremony:

Oliver Peachey, Mitchell Lawes, Lara Butlin, Ruby Martin, Ally Fowler, Georgia Ehlers, Harrison Lawes, Ava TuksaR, Brodie Porta, Phoebe Grigg, Buckley Dingle and Bridget Ritchie.

GOLD MORNING TEA
This morning we held our ‘Five Golds’ Morning Tea for the twenty eight students who have received ‘Five’ Gold Merit Certificates over the last few years. This is a wonderful achievement! It was great to see many family members join us to acknowledge the great efforts of these students.

P & C
Last night was our final P & C meeting for 2015. I would like to thank all of the P & C members for giving of their time to support our school. I think our students and families will be VERY happy when they hear of the huge donation the P & C has made to replace some much loved and used equipment in our school – Thank you!

YEARS 2-6 PRESENTATION DAY
On Monday 30 November, invitations to our Annual Presentation Ceremony will be sent home to all families of the award recipients and incoming student leaders. I invite all parents and friends to join us on this very special celebration day for our school. It will be held at 10:15am on Wednesday 9 December in the Albury High School Hall.

Please ensure your children have returned their permission notes to attend the Presentation Award Ceremony.

BIKE SAFETY
Once again I ask that parents discuss with their children bike safety considerations. Yesterday afternoon, some students heading towards South Albury, cut in front of a car stopped at the lights in Smollett St. In an attempt to save a couple of minutes waiting for the next lights to change, they endangered their own lives and scared the driver of the car. PLEASE talk to your children about bike safety!
CPR
Thank you to our staff who yesterday afternoon gave of their time to complete CPR training and certification. This activity is offered every year and it is amazing how often there are changes to agreed protocols. Have you updated your knowledge of first aid and CPR recently? Have a wonderful week, Vicki Harris - Principal.

HOUSE LEADERS 2016
This week, interested students in Year 5 have nominated for a house leader position in 2016. The sign ups occurred at recess on Monday and Tuesday. Candidates are now required to prepare a speech no longer than one minute to deliver at House Meetings on Monday 30 November. Candidates have been notified of the speaking order. Ms Harris will announce the successful House Leaders on Wednesday 2 December. Chris Bourke, Assistant Principal (Rel.)

PSSA BLUE CRICKET
APS Junior Blue had a win against LPS Gold 58 – 20. There were some great deliveries and some great running between the wickets. Our bowling was strong with several attempted run outs from the fielders on a very hot morning. Well done everyone in the team. Thanks to Mrs Karen Kilo for your assistance with the batting teams. APS Senior Blue drew in their game against LPS Gold with 59 runs and a loss of nine wickets. There were some skilful catches and excellent throws to the keeper. What fabulous teamwork boys!
Lynn Macleod, Coordinator

PSSA GOLD CRICKET
Last Friday the Gold teams played St Pats Green at Black Range Oval. The Junior team came away with a very convincing win, making 69 runs to St Pats’ 35 runs. The Senior team also played well and made 58 runs. Players on both teams are to be commended for their fair play and encouragement. Well done! Christel Pargeter, Coordinator

SENIOR SOFTBALL
Our Senior Girls Softball Team had a bye, so they played a friendly game against St Pats Green. Good sportsmanship was a definite winner on a very warm morning. Thanks to Mr Robertson for assisting the girls team. The Senior Boys team lined up against St Pats Green and played a strong game, although on the day they were defeated by St Pats 15 – 10. It was great to see the positive attitude displayed by all team members, offering encouragement to their team mates. Max Byrne hit a home run, allowing three others to get home, well done Max. A great effort by all the team and sport was the winner. Please remember to bring a water bottle, your school hat and sunscreen when you are at sport. Helen O’Brien.

RIVERINA WATER POLO REPORT
Congratulations to William Murphy, Will Pargeter, Deacon Hogan, Sally Lefoe, Asha Krautz, Emily Wills, Amelia Baillie, Olivea Beltrame and Ruby Martin who have recently played in the Riverina Water Polo teams at a Gala Day in Sydney. They played three games and came away with a win against one of their opponents. Well done! Christel Pargeter, Coordinator.

YEAR 1 AMBULANCE EXCURSION
On Thursday 12 and Friday 13 November, Year 1 were lucky enough to have Mr Shane Green and his colleague Terry (both local paramedics), visit the school with their ambulance. Some of the responses from the Year 1 students, after their involvement in the in-school excursion are as follows:

“ It was great and I loved getting the gloves.”
“ I loved hearing the siren.”
“ I liked seeing Jasmine on the stretcher.”
“ Terry helped me with a bandaid.”
The children were given homework to go home and place their address and phone number beside their home phone, in case of an emergency. A big thankyou to Mr Green and Terry, for sharing their knowledge and enthusiasm with us. Miss Merritt, 1MM Class Teacher.

MOVEMBER
Don’t forget-tomorrow is MO DAY! We invite you to wear a fake Mo or draw on your Mo for the day (using eyeliner or makeup - NOT TEXTA). No money will be collected, school uniform is to be worn. You can support this great cause (men’s health) on https://au.movember.com/donate Joel Border, Coordinator.

REVERSE CHRISTMAS TREE 2015
WOW! It’s only four weeks until Christmas! Let’s remember that not all families in Albury can celebrate Christmas surrounded by presents and yummy food. This year our school is collecting new gifts for the St Vincent De Paul Society and non-perishable food items for Border Food 4 Thought, to distribute to families in our local area that need help celebrating Christmas. (With the food donations- please have a think about “what you would like on your Christmas table” - this will give you a guide). Gifts should be left unwrapped and can be placed, along with food donations, under the Christmas tree in the front foyer of the school from Monday 30 November. Representatives from the St Vincent De Paul Society will be attending our Monday morning assembly on 14 December to collect all the donations. Please remember others this Christmas. Jenny Boehm, Coordinator.
**Golden Certificates**

CONGRATULATIONS TO:  
Hayley Coulter,  
Madeline Travassaros, Jack Kelso,  
Olivia Brooks, Ewan Mackenzie,  
Harrison Prescott (2), Toby Lewis,  
Himaya Senadepathige,  
Cooper Robertson, Anton Engedal and  
Oscar Warner.

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

**PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE (PRC)**

Congratulations to the children who successfully completed the Challenge this year. The participation certificates will be presented at the Monday morning assembly on 30 November. Students who achieved Gold Certificates will receive them at tomorrow’s Thursday assemblies. The Gold awards recognise four years (non-consecutive) of successful participation in the NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge. The recipients are: Charlotte Ball, Sophia Cliff, Isabel Frichot, Mariana Horta Vieira, Jack Kelso, Harry Methven, Suryansh Mishra, Liam Pontt, Emma Sullivan and Daisy Tuksar.

Those individuals who have completed their seventh year of the Challenge will receive a Platinum certificate. These will be presented on Presentation Day.

A total of 104 students completed the Challenge. The students are to be congratulated on their efforts. Thank-you to the parents who supported their children in their reading endeavours.

**LIBRARY**

Children need to finish reading their library books and return them to the school library as soon as possible. Borrowing for the year has ceased. Alison Griffith, Teacher Librarian
What I would like to be ................ by 5/6 AM

The profession I would like to be when I am older is an actor so I can play different people. Oliver Henderson
I would like to be an architect and design buildings in Mine-craft. I love all the different styles. Chloe Hitchon
When I am older I would like to be a professional cricket player or a famous you-tube player. Ryan Carson
In the future I want to be an Olympic equestrian rider. Zoe Osborne
When I have finished my education I would like to be an astronaut. Mo Liden
I love sport so when I grow up I would like to be a professional AFL player. Noah Graham
When I am older I wish to be an architect or a horticulturist. Soma Higginson

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I love taking photos. When I am older I want to be a photographer. Zali Dingle
When I finish school I would like to be a diver and leap from the tallest buildings. Will Clarke

As my future profession I want to be a music producer. Claudia Hanrahan
I would like to work as an aircraft engineer. Charlie Jaksetic
As an adult I would like to be a pro skater. Jonah Morgan

I want to be a car sales man. Rupert Baker
When I am older I would like to be a successful you-tube user like Pewdiepie. Ty Bentley

It would be amazing to be a video game producer, author, soccer coach or soccer player. Brodie Davies
I would like to be the first girl to play NRL football, plus a fashion designer. Asha Finlay

I plan to be a fashion designer and an architect when I am older. Tilby Strang
I would love to harvest crops so I want to be a farmer when I grow up. Harrison Lawes
When I am old enough my future career will be an Xbox game designer. Reese Spokes

My future career will be a fighter pilot or an architect. Hamish Warner
When I am 25 I want to be a pro water polo player and play for the Aussie Sharks. Deacon Hogan
I would like my employment in the future to be a criminal profiler. Jordan Double

I would like to be an engineer or baseball player in the future. Neil Nand
I hope and wish to be a DJ. Angelina Green
When I grow up I want to be a famous videogame designer. Suryansh Mishra
I would love to be a boxer or a UFC fighter because it’s good for girls to get into a tough sport. Ava Black

An AFL player is what I want to be because you earn lots of money and it makes you healthy. Charlie Bruce
My ambition is to be a professional cyclist. Eliza Carroll