Dear All

What a beautiful day! Let’s hope that the weather holds for the Cross Country this afternoon and the K-2 Sports Day on Friday.

Thank you to Mrs Sharon Green and her wonderful helpers yesterday, for their provision of a Mother’s Day Stall for our students. If 3CC were any indication of the other classes, then the excitement of the purchase will be close to the pleasure of receiving the gift. Thanks!

The School Cross Country will be held later today at Thurgoona. Thanks go to Mr Clift, Mr Pantling, Mr Bourke and Mr Neil for their organisation and the time it takes to get ready for such an event. Best wishes to all of our competitors.

Next week, all Year 3 and 5 students will participate in the NAPLAN National assessments, along with all other Year 3 and Year 5 students in Australia. They are only a part of the whole school curriculum! Please reassure your children they just have to do their best, as they should always do every day at our school!

The annual K-2 Sports Day will be held on Friday at school. The races will commence at 10am on ‘the Block’. We welcome any family members and friends to the day. PLEASE remember that parking around our school is limited AND only 1 hour. The parking patrols have been very active lately and the fines can diminish the enjoyment of a great day.

School Photos will be taken in Week 5 (Tues 19 and Wed 20 May). Please return all photo envelopes on the day. No envelopes will be accepted prior to the day. Students are expected to wear full winter school uniform, including black shoes.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS ORGANISATION- Tuesday 19 May- KWE, KWJ, KWC, KBW, 1MS, 1MM, 1MC, 1MD, 2/3LK, 2LN, 3/4CM, 3CC, 2MS, 2MWM, 4/5LJH, 4CCB, 4CH, 5AP and 5LP.

Wednesday 20 May- 5/6AB, 6AKB, 6AB, 5/6AM, Student Councillors, Captains, House Leaders, Year 6 group photo and Family photos.

As stated, students are expected to wear full winter formal uniforms as listed below. Please note: whilst formal girl’s and boy’s Winter Uniforms are preferred, navy blue tracksuit pants for boys and girls will be acceptable.

Girls: Blue tartan pinafore, bib front, inverted pleat with zippered pocket or blue tartan pants. Yellow skivvy with long sleeves or light blue shirt (blue tie optional). Round or V-necked navy blue windcheater with large yellow logo. Navy tights or navy socks. Black shoes.

Alternative uniform for Years 5/6: Blue tartan skirt with inverted pleat (same as tartan pinafore), blue cardigan.

Boys: Long grey pants. Yellow skivvy with long sleeves or light blue shirt (blue tie optional). Grey socks and black shoes. Round or V-necked navy blue windcheater with large yellow logo.

Our ANZAC display has been very well commented upon, with lots of visitors. Thank you to all of those families who have lent us pieces of memorabilia. If you have not yet seen the exhibits, please visit the school this week, as we will be taking the display down on Friday after lunch. For families who have lent us pieces, could you please arrange to pick them up during this week. Thanks!

We try VERY hard to ensure that all students have adequate time to return any permission notes, before activities. Unfortunately, even with daily reminders on the message sheet, and notes printed on blue paper as a visual reminder, there are still some students/families who regularly do not return notes. This causes undue stress on both students and staff. PLEASE read and return notes by the due date.

Congratulations to TEAM APS, who joined together to participate in the Nail Can Hill Run on Sunday! 12 of our staff participated in the event and performed very well. Special congratulations to Mr Dylan Clift for his participation in the ‘Iron Man’. He very successfully completed both the bike ride and the run, finishing in the ‘Top 10’. Well done to all participants!

P.T.O. …..
I had a phone call from a parent this morning, concerned about some things she had seen when her child was playing an on-line game.

Here are some ways to help your kids stay safe in cyberspace.

- Don't let your child post photos of themselves wearing their school uniform – it can be enough to identify your child's school.
- Ensure your child never organises to meet up with any strangers they have met online.
- If your child starts being secretive about what they are doing online, check it out.
- Keep computers out in the open
- Just because it's on the internet, it doesn't mean it's true
- Stranger danger is online, too
  Ensure your child never organises to meet up with any strangers they have met online. If they really want to meet up, encourage them to talk to you about it first and insist on going along with them. Remind your children to also be wary opening emails from strangers. They could contain spam (online junk mail), a virus (which will harm your computer), or be from a stranger looking for trouble.
- Get a filter
  Internet filters can help block inappropriate sites for children. None are completely reliable and it's best if you talk about what websites are appropriate with your child so they understand and make the right choice on their own.
- Good manners also exist online
  Talk about this with your child and it may lead to a decline in bullying behaviour, not to mention the many disagreements that children have with each other.

Enjoy the week! Vicki Harris - Principal.

SPORT NEWS
HOCKEY GALA DAY- Last Friday Albury Public School fielded two teams in the Hockey Gala Day held at the Albury Hockey Centre. All our players displayed amazing sportsmanship and played to the best of their ability. Congratulations to: Toby Lewis, Navraj Dhillon, Oliver Henderson, Tom Newman, Hayden Langston, Will Pargeter, Elijah Farrah, Ky McFaul, Mitchel Houlihan, Harry Carmody, Kristian Shipard, Bridget Ritchie, Ruby McCaig, Ryleigh Hogan, Lily Robertson, Meghan Yensch, Lillian Eggleton, Sahijvir Kaur, Lucy Mack, Oliver Peachey, Yuvraj Dhillon and Jagjeet Sekhon. We would like to extend a special thank you to Lyndon Robertson for coaching the team, Bronwen Yensch for assisting with teams and the many parents who came to watch, encourage and support the boys and girls. What a great day! Lynn Macleod, Team Coordinator.

RUGBY LEAGUE- Congratulations to Kynon and Kobe French who recently travelled to Leeton to trial for the Riverina Rugby League team. Both boys performed well. Kynon was selected and will now represent the Riverina at the State Trials in Tamworth in June. Well done. Melinda Martin, Coordinator.

YEAR SIX CANBERRA EXCURSION- Tuesday 9, Wednesday 10, Thursday 11 and Friday 12 June, 2015. The final cost of the excursion is $415. The first instalment of $105 was due last Friday 1 May. The next instalment of $105 is due next Friday 15 May. The excursion needs to be fully paid by Friday 29 May, 2015. Many thanks to those families who have paid in full. Additional information including itinerary, what to bring, dietary and medical information was sent home with students on Monday. Please return the medical information note to your child’s teacher by Monday 25 May.

INTERACTIVE VIDEO CONFERENCE- Yesterday, Year 6 students participated in an interactive video conference with NSW Parliament. Yesterday also marked the first sitting of the new government since state elections were held in March. The video conference was an opportunity for Year 6 to be immersed in our unit called ‘Australia as a Nation’ which coincides with our excursion to Canberra. Students were shown through the Upper and Lower Houses and were told how new laws are made. It was a great opportunity to get an insight into how State Government works.

Jessica Brooker, Assistant Principal.(Rel).
Well, what a busy week—Cross Country (Wednesday 6) then K-2 Sports Day (Friday 8), with a Sausage Sizzle for the WHOLE SCHOOL on Friday 8 May. If you can help with the Sausage Sizzle at serving time please let Rachael know.

Our roster has lots of vacancies, please come in and put your name down.

Thank you, Rachael & Ali, Ph- 60212370.

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**K-2 SPORTS DAY—LOTS OF HELPERS NEEDED!**

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**K-2 SPORTS DAY**

A reminder parents/carers are invited to attend the K-2 Sports Day this Friday (8 May) in the school grounds. Sports day will commence with the age running races from 10:00-11:00am. Tabloid sports will commence after recess.

Last week 3/4CM sorted and calculated the cost of replacing the lost property in the bin provided at the Manor. There were; 18 hats, 58 jumpers, 3 jackets, 7 vests, 20 drink bottles and 12 lunch boxes. To replace these items it would cost, based on new prices, approx. $2784.00. Most of these items were not named or had been passed down from previous students and the names were not changed. Please ensure you label your child’s clothes etc so that they can be returned to you.

Melinda Martin 3/4CM Class Teacher.

**COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD**

**GATEWAY HEALTH—Parenting Program Term 2**—vacancies are still available. Sessions will be held from Friday 15 May until 26 June, 2015. From 10:00am-12:00pm Please phone 60228888 for further information. Bookings are essential.

**ARCHIE’S STORY FUNDRAISER**—There will be a pub WizRock Trivia night held in the Crown Lounge upstairs at BeerDeLuxe, Albury on Thursday 14 May from 7:00pm-10:00pm, to raise money for Archie (who has a rare form of cancer). Book your table now on 60417001.

**BROADBAND FOR SENIORS**—Mirambeena Community Centre is offering these sessions for seniors to learn more about computers and the internet. Sessions will run for 1 hour. Please phone 60435875 or email ybyatt@alburycity.nsw.gov.au for further information.

**SCOTS INTERSCHOOL EQUESTRIAN EVENT**—A reminder that entries close on Friday 8 May for the Scots Interschool Equestrian Event. Entries are via Event Secretary at http://www.eventsecretary.org.au For further information please phone Alison on 6022 0000.
Last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 78 Year 4 students and six staff members attended the Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre. During the day they participated in archery, kayaking, BMX riding, TIG (Traditional Indigenous Games), orienteering, rock climbing and fencing. At night they had fun doing mini-Olympics and danced the night away at a dance party. During supervised free-time the students enjoyed activities such as mini-golf, stilt walking, cricket, tennis, netball and basketball. They were very lucky to have such beautiful weather for the 3 days.