Dear All

Just in case you have not been outside in the last couple of days - Winter is here! It has been quite bitter in the playground and the frost on the ground had ALMOST thawed when we had an emergency evacuation drill yesterday morning.

With the onset of winter and very cool mornings we have had a rise in the number of ‘lost’ jumpers and jackets. These jackets and jumpers seem to hide in the playground when our students run around and warm up. Unfortunately the clothing does not always find its way back to those who own it. PLEASE ensure that your children have their names in their jackets and jumpers, so that if they are inadvertently left behind somewhere, they can be returned to their owners.

MULTICULTURAL PUBLIC SPEAKING

Congratulations to the students from Years 3-6 who yesterday presented their ‘Multicultural Public Speaking’ speeches to either Ms Howard or myself. We were both VERY impressed with the clarity, quality of the research, and the content of the presentations. Whilst not every student can go on to represent our school at the next level, all of the students who participated should be very pleased with their efforts. They were all winners!

YEAR 6 CANBERRA EXCURSION

Last night when I was listening to the news and reviewing student reports, I heard that the temperature yesterday morning in Canberra was -7 degrees. This morning it was forecast to have warmed up to -6 degrees. I think it will be beneficial to pack an extra jacket!

The Canberra Excursion is the culmination of a lot of discovery and research that has been occurring in our Year 6 classrooms during the last term. Next week our students will be experiencing and visiting the places they have been talking about for weeks. Highlights include: Parliament House, The War Memorial, The Institute of Sport, The Nation Museum of Australia and Government House at Yarralumla.

PSSA SPORT

As you are aware, many of our Year 3-6 students will be representing our school in Inter School PSSA Sport, in a variety of sports in the coming months. This is a great opportunity for those students who have been chosen to play in the teams, but it is also a chance for our staff to further develop the skills of the students remaining at school, so that they may have a better chance of playing next year.

Thank you to our staff who train, coach and/or manage these teams!

Please note if inclement weather causes the cancellation of Friday’s PSSA Sport, the school is notified at 11:15am. This is PSSA policy. Please ring the office after this time if you require information. The students and staff certainly appreciate your attendance and cheering on the sidelines of the sporting fields!

P.T.O....
KINDERGARTEN 2016- We are now taking names for the 2016 Kindergarten intake. Please call into the office or phone to give details. Please pass this information onto neighbours, relatives or friends who live in our zone and are wishing to enrol their child next year.

SEMESTER 1 REPORTS
During the last few weeks, teachers have been very busy completing assessments with their students and writing Semester 1 Student Reports. These reports will arrive home with the newsletter on Wednesday Week 9, 17 June. Your child’s report is based on their performance while completing daily tasks in the classroom, formal and informal assessments, teacher observations and completing group activities. Comments regarding both your child’s academic and social development are included in the report. If you have any questions about your child’s report, your first enquiry should be with your child’s teacher. Please phone the office to make a mutually convenient appointment.

As of today I have read about half of the reports and the students should be very proud of their efforts and the improvements they have made in many areas of their school life. Our team of teachers strive to ensure their students have the very best educational opportunities so each child can reach their potential.

Enjoy the long weekend and travel safely! Vicki Harris - Principal.

ALBURY ZONE CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL- Last Friday nearly 60 of our students competed at the Zone Cross Country Carnival at the Albury Equestrian Centre. Although it was a little muddy underfoot, the conditions were perfect for the event. Our students participated enthusiastically and we achieved some terrific results. By finishing in the top four of their race, eight of our students have achieved selection in the Albury Zone team which will compete in the Riverina Region Carnival being held in Gundagai on 11 June. Congratulations and good luck to these students:- Alice Carroll, Maya Black, Mariana Horta Vieira, Jessica Kemp, Zach Williams, Caleb Clemson, Emily Wills and Harry Carmody. Thanks to Chris Bourke and Ian Pantling who set up our marquee and brought out other equipment on the day. A big thank you to Danielle Williams who volunteered to wash all the school sport shirts.

Dylan Clift, Cross Country Coordinator.

MULTICULTURAL PUBLIC SPEAKING
Well done to all of the students from Years 3 to 6 who have recently presented speeches based on a topic for the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking competition. On Tuesday 2 June, the winners of each class then presented their speeches to determine the Junior (Years 3-4) and Senior (Years 5-6) representatives who will go forward to the District Public Speaking Competition held at Thurgoona PS on Wednesday 24 June.


Further congratulations to the winners of the APS final: Harriet Murphy and Mia Graham for the Junior section and James Steer and Ziggy Lamond for the Senior section.

Thank you to Ms Howard and Ms Harris for adjudicating and to all of our parents and friends who attended the final.

Christel Pargeter, Coordinator.
CANTEEN NEWS- Thank you for the donations from the donation list. It is an ongoing thing that you can do at any time of the year. We still have a few gaps in our roster for this term. If you can help please call or come in and put your name on the roster. Thank you Rachael and Ali 60212370.

**Thurs**
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  - 9:00-11:30am HELPER NEEDED
  - 12:30- 1:30pm Jackie

**Fri**
- 5
  - 9:00-11:30am HELPER NEEDED
  - 12:30- 1:30pm Tracey Brown

**Mon**
- 8
  - PUBLIC HOLIDAY

**Tues**
- 9
  - 11:00-11:20am HELPER NEEDED
  - 12:30- 1:30pm HELPER NEEDED

**Wed**
- 10
  - 11:00- 1:30pm HELPER NEEDED

**Thus**
- 11
  - 11:30-1:30pm Amy Hayne

**Fri**
- 12
  - 9:00-11:30am Anna
  - 11:00-1:30pm HELPER NEEDED
  - 12:30- 1:30pm Jocelyn

Thank you, Rachael & Ali, Ph- 60212370.

**ANTI-BULLYING PROGRAM – YEARS 5 & 6**
Over the last three Tuesdays, the students in Stage 3 have been participating in Anti-Bullying workshops lead by Year 8 Albury High School students under the guidance of Mr Paul Schupina from Albury HS. Our students now have a far better understanding of the many forms of bullying, the effects of bullying and strategies to put into practice to seek assistance or ways to help a friend who is experiencing bullying. The Stage 3 students have valued this learning experience and opportunity to be up skilled. Thank you to Mr Schupina and all of the Year 8 tutors for this worthwhile program.

Christel Pargeter, (On behalf of the Stage 3 Staff)

**GYMNASTICS PROGRAM**
During Term 3 our Kindergarten and Year 1 students will be participating in an exciting and fun gymnastics program conducted each week by expert coaches from ‘School Gymnastics’. Lessons will be held each Tuesday in our school gym as part of each class’s P.E. program. All Kindergarten and Year 1 students will take home a permission note today. Please return the permission note and payment by Monday 22 June. If you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Gail Eckley, Assistant Principal

**COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD- WOMBATS HOCKEY CLUB**
Interested in learning to play hockey? We are looking for boys and girls for our Under 9s team. We play on Saturday mornings at the Albury Hockey Centre from 9:45 to 11:00am. If you would like to come along and give hockey a try, give Toni Henderson (0417 539 592) or Cayte Campbell (0402 435 433) a call.

**LIFELINE ALBURY WODONGA**
Become a Lifeline Crisis Support Volunteer. To register for the information session on Saturday 13 June. Please visit www.lifelinealburywodonga.org.au or call 6021 1077.

**PCYC—DANCE CLASSES**
Albury Police Citizens Youth Club dance classes are unique, providing fun in a non-competitive environment. Jazz and Hip Hop Classes are available on Tues and Thurs afternoons. Please phone 6021 7437 for further information.

**ALBURY OOSH VACATION CARE**
Bookings for July School Holidays opened on Monday 1 June. Follow the links from the Albury City website www.alburycity.nsw.gov.au Recent changes in policy will see families with an active After School Care Booking receive priority with their booking. Children in Year 4 are now eligible to attend the Vacation Care Program at St Pats. Any queries please call the service on 6043 5630.

**ROBYN SMITH NETBALL CAMPS**
To be held at the Lauren Jackson Sports centre on 29 June and 30 June. Please call 5762 7494 or 0418 979 459 or visit www.robynsmithnetballcamps.com for further information.

**FLYING FRUIT FLY CIRCUS— Under My Bed**
- at the Albury Entertainment Centre 26 June at 7:30pm. Book now at the Box Office, 60435610 or visit www.alburycity.nsw.gov.au/entertainment

**BRUMBIES RUGBY JULY HOLIDAY CLINICS**
For Under 7 – U13’s at Murray Fields, Albury 2 July. Please email development@brumbies.com.au for further information.
GRIP (Generosity, Responsibility, Integrity, People) LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

On Wednesday 27 May our School Councillors, House Captains and Vice House Captains attended the GRIP Leadership Conference at the Commercial Club.

Our leaders participated with other school leaders from around the region in a day full of practical and interactive training. They were all inspired and have come back with some great ways for them to lead in our school.

Quotes from our School Councillors and House Captains

I learnt that there are 3 important steps to paper, scissors and rock—
**Paper— create a plan,**
**Scissors— take action and**
**Rock— stay strong. Keely Bullivant.**

I had a wonderful experience at the GRIP Leadership Conference and I learnt lots of new things, such as the 4 stand up principles which are:
- Stand up for yourself
- Stand up for others
- Stand up for what is right and
- Stand up when there is an opportunity
If you follow these principles you will be a good leader. Harkirat Singh.

I really enjoyed the GRIP Leadership Conference because we learnt lots and interacted with other leaders.
Ben White

Leann Dicketts, Assistant Principal.