FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S OFFICE

School Assembly – Congratulations to the Student Representative Council for running a great assembly last Friday. This week’s assembly will be our Grandparents’ Day Assembly and barbecue. It will start at 12.30 pm. We do hope to see you there.

Kinder Orientation – This is attached to today’s newsletter and has a list of the dates for this year’s Kinder Orientation Program at our school. If you have any questions, or would like an interview, please don’t hesitate to contact me. Enrolments for 2015 are now being taken. Please see the school office for forms. The next Kinder Orientation visit will be held tomorrow, Tuesday 20 October from 9.45 am to 11.15 am.

P&C Meeting – This will be held this Wednesday, in the school library, starting at 7.30 pm. Everyone is most welcome.

2015 ACT/Southern NSW T20 Blast Cricket School Cup Final – This Thursday, 22 October, the boys in our successful school cricket team, will be travelling to Canberra to take part in the 2015 ACT/Southern NSW T20 Blast Cricket School Cup Final. It will be held at Deakin Playing Fields and the team will play several matches before hopefully qualifying for the final in the afternoon. It will be a great experience and a big thank you to parents for their amazing support.

Grandparents’ Day, Assembly and Barbecue – In 2011, the State Government chose to recognise the contributions that grandparents make by launching Grandparents’ Day. Each year, Grandparents’ Day will be celebrated in NSW on the last Sunday of October. Grandparents’ Day acknowledges the vital role that grandparents play in our society, both as custodians of individual and cultural memories and as providers of care, love and guidance to their children and grandchildren. Grandparents’ Day recognises the irreplaceable role grandparents have in their families and the wider community.

TERM 4, WEEK 3 DIARY

Mon 19 Oct  Year 6 Farewell Parent Meeting 3.40 pm
Tue 20 Oct  Kinder Orientation 9.45 am to 11.15 am
Wed 21 Oct  P&C Meeting at 7.30 pm in the library
Thu 22 Oct  Cricket in Canberra
Fri 23 Oct  Grandparents’ Day barbecue and activities, School Assembly run by Year 5/6 at 12.30 pm

TERM 4, WEEK 4 DIARY

Mon 26 Oct  State Cricket Carnival (Barooga)
Tue 27 Oct  State Cricket Carnival (Barooga)
Wed 28 Oct  State Cricket Carnival (Barooga)
Thu 29 Oct  State Cricket Carnival (Barooga)
Fri 30 Oct  Holbrook Flower Show for K-2 and School Assembly run by Year 3/4 at 11.00 am

P&C IMPORTANT DATES

Wed 21 Oct  P&C Meeting at 7.30 pm in the library

This Friday 23 October, our school will be celebrating Grandparents’ Day. We will have an assembly at 12.30 pm (run by the Year 5/6 class), followed by a barbecue lunch at 1.00 pm (purchased from the P&C) and then games from the past in the afternoon starting around 2.00 pm. We invite all grandparents to join us and spend a special occasion with their grandchildren at school.

Reminder: No Hat, No Play – As part of our school uniform policy, and as a registered member of the NSW Cancer Council SunSmart Primary School Program, students must wear a school-wide-brimmed hat when playing outside all year, otherwise they will have to play under the covered area.

Cricket State Knockout Match – Last Monday, our team travelled to Wagga to play South Wagga Public School in the 4th round. South Wagga Public School batted first and scored 10/87 off their 25 overs. Best bowlers for Holbrook Public School were Rohan Jepson 2 for 12, Jack de Steiger 2 for 22, Henry Gulliver 1 for 11 and Braydon Eddy 1 for 14. Braydon got two run outs, Henry one and Tia Charles, one. Henry took a catch, while Rohan took two.
We then batted and unfortunately fell three runs short of their total, finishing with 7/84 off our 25 overs. Ewan Mackinlay top scored with 34 runs, well supported by Rohan Jepson (7 runs) and Hamish Watson (6 runs).

It was a great effort by the entire team! I couldn’t have asked any more and I am so proud of their achievements and effort, especially making it that far in the knockout and for all their continued efforts at training.

A big thank you to all the parents for their great support, especially with transport.

**NSW State Athletics Carnival** – Claire Cottrell competed in the 800m last Wednesday at Sydney’s Homebush Stadium. Claire can be very proud of her efforts to be ranked 36th in the state for her age against very tough opposition. Well done, Claire!

**Uni. of NSW Mathematics Test Results** – We had 10 students participate and were awarded 5 participation certificates, 4 credit certificates and 1 merit certificate. An outstanding result!

Congratulations to Sam de Steiger, for receiving a credit. His score was in the top 23% of Year 3 participants in Australia.  
Congratulations to Kate Bulle, for receiving a credit. Her score was in the top 20% of Year 4 participants in Australia.  
Congratulations to Portia Martin, for receiving a credit. Her score was in the top 20% of Year 4 participants in Australia.  
Congratulations to Fletcher Weaven, for receiving a credit. His score was in the top 32% of Year 5 participants in Australia.  
Congratulations to Logan Buswell, for receiving a merit. His score was in the top 37% of Year 5 participants in Australia.

- Average Year 3 score – school 23.0 above Australia of 22.0  
- Average Year 4 score – school 25.3 above Australia of 23.8  
- Average Year 5 score – school 25.5 above Australia of 23.4  
- Average Year 6 score – school 16.5 below Australia of 21.5

Well done to these students on their results, considering the difficulty of the test.

**School Council Parent Representative Nominations** – This closed last Friday and I am pleased to announce that Vicky Geddes will be a new parent representative on the School Council. There are four parent representatives in total. The other three are Matthew Pitzen, Wes Black and Tom de Steiger. Our next meeting, held on Monday 2 November will be our AGM.

A big thank you to outgoing Secretary/Parent Representative, Jodie Parker, and outgoing Staff Representative, Mrs Wedgwood. Both have completed 4 years and have done a fantastic job, contributing to the school in so many ways, which ultimately benefit the school and the students. Thanks, Jodie and Mrs Wedgwood!

**Morgan Country Community of Schools** – I have attached to today’s newsletter our Morgan Country Community of Schools flyer, promoting the very strong relationship that currently exists between four schools. It also emphasises the benefits of sending your child to high school at Billabong, as the schools discuss the needs of your child to enable them to be well catered for.

**Jason Weaven**  
Principal

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### CANTEEN ROSTER

**Friday 23 October:** Grandparents’ Day, NO LUNCH ORDERS  
**Monday 26 October:** Cassandra Young  
**Friday 30 October:** Tamarin Hughes

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### 2015 PRESENTATION EVENING

Our annual presentation evening will be held on Thursday 10 December, 2015 at 7.00 pm in the school hall. We cordially invite all parents and friends of our students to attend. At the presentation evening, we award students who have achieved excellence, consistent improvement, citizenship and sporting achievements. Each year, the awards are sponsored by the local community. If you would like to make a donation towards the book prizes this year, it would be greatly appreciated and your name will be listed in our presentation night.
program as recognition of your valuable contribution to our school. Donations of cash or cheques, made out to Holbrook Public School, can be handed in to our office.

**HEY! WE NEED HAY!**

With the warmer weather now here, we desperately need to keep the soil from drying out. If any of our farming families out there have an excess of lucerne straw and are able to donate some, please call the office.

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**Holbrook Agricultural Show Craft Entries – Class “S”**

Students are invited to enter craft items in the school section at the Holbrook Show on Saturday 7 November 2015. The craft entered must have been made at school this year. Please only enter items that fit the categories listed in the Show schedule below.

Entries can be given to Mrs Ross up until Wednesday 4 November.

Thank you
Judy Ross (Coordinator)

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**Early Stage 1 – (Kindergarten)**
1. Craft – any medium

**Stage 1 – (Years 1 and 2)**
2. Craft – any medium

**Stage 2 – (Years 3 and 4)**
3. Article of Handiwork – hand-sewing, embroidery, appliqué, knitting and crochet
4. Craft – any medium
5. Article made from recycled material

**Stage 3 – (Years 5 and 6)**
6. Article of Handiwork – hand-sewing, embroidery, appliqué, knitting and crochet
7. Craft – any medium
8. Article made from recycled material

Entries: 1 item per section per child. Entry tickets will be attached to the craft items at school.

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**P&C News**

**CAMP DRAFT - THANK YOU**

Firstly, thank you so much to Cassandra Young for giving the P&C the opportunity to cater at the Camp Draft. It was a huge success and we raised more than $1700! Thank you to all our wonderful helpers: Rose Bennetts, Bec Henry, Jim Henry, Kasey Henry, Troy Henry, Claire Holt, Kylie Holt, Maggie Jamieson, Trudy Jenkyn, Judith Mullins, Ruth Parker, Abby Paton and finally to our bakers, Tamarin Hughes, Julia Mackinlay, Leonie Mathie, Trish Shea, Marcia Walsh and Gina Weaven. With your continued help, we are able to keep raising these essential funds for your children.

**P&C Meeting**

Wednesday 21 October at 7:30 pm in the school library. Everyone is welcome to come.
MILO CRICKET

Who: Ages 5-8 year olds
Where: Holbrook Public School oval
When: Monday, 26 October 2015.
The program will run for five weeks, concluding 23 November 2015
Time: 4.00 pm to 4.45 pm
Information will be handed out on the first night. For further information, contact Mr Preston on 6036 2021.

SPARE LAPTOPS WANTED

We are asking for donations of spare laptops for Meg’s Children Nepal. Meg’s Children Nepal is an Australian, not for profit charitable trust, which supports and enhances the lives of 20 Nepalese children who do not have family to cater for their basic needs.

FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP

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Summer
Short Sleeve Polo Shirt 4, 12
Girl’s Summer Dress 6, 10, 12, 16

Winter
Long Sleeve Polo Shirt 6, 8, 10, 12
Fleece Jacket 6, 10, 12, 14
Boys’ Trousers 4, 6, 8, 14
Tartan Pants 4, 8, 10, 12, 14
Tartan Skirt 6
Windcheater 6, 8, 10

Sport
Sports Shirt 10, 12
Track Pants 4, 6, 8, 12, 14

AWARDS

Miss Mills
Isabelle Gamble – For a marked improvement in writing
Cooper Glass – Successfully applying his spelling knowledge into his writing
Isabel Yensch – For her focus and determination in writing

Miss Luff
Cheyanne Chattaway – Fantastic improvements in reading and writing
Mahleigha Jolly – Applying excellent reading strategies

Miss Murphy
Ned Harrison – For excellent effort and application during all activities. Well done!
Lachie Parker – For fluent and confident reading. Well done!

AUSIES OF THE MONTH

Jemima Southwell, Year 3/4
Being friendly, inclusive and always doing her best.

Georgina Barr-Smith, Year 1
A happy, co-operative and caring attitude.

Jasmine Lieschke, Kindergarten

Liz Holt, Year 4/5
Mrs Preston
Angus Geddes – For analysing ‘Fox’ with a keen interest
Molly Pitzen – Completing set tasks with enthusiasm and detail

Mrs Fairley
Cruz Schirmer – For achieving excellent results in spelling
William Gunn – For being an organised and diligent student

Mr Preston
Emily Ellison – For excellent maths test results
William Mathie – For reading with expression and enthusiasm
Anna Pitzen – For working very well during numeracy

Miss Lavis
Michael Walters – A well-written information report
Logan Wright – Being considerate of others

Miss Peterson
Claire Cottrell – Her understanding and achievement in comprehension activities
Jasmine Young – Her understanding and achievement in comprehension activities

Mrs Wedgwood
Tayleah Flewin – Working really heard in all classes
Maggie Jamieson – Making real efforts to improve maths skills
Chloe Watson – Always doing her best in English and making steady progress

Mr Weaven
Aaron Heritage – For great work in creative writing
Anna Pitzen – For great work in creative writing
Will Satchell – For great work in creative writing
Angus Wright – For great work in creative writing

VALUES AWARDS - RESPECT
Junior: Caidence Meyers
Senior: Rohan Jepson

STAR CARD WINNERS
Yellow Playground Star Cards
Cooper Glass and Lachlan Kingston
Blue Classroom Star Cards
Jaide Hughes and Maddy Wheeler

50 NIGHTS READING AWARD
Harrison Shea

100 NIGHTS READING AWARD
Alex Gunn

125 NIGHTS READING AWARD
Wil King

150 NIGHTS READING AWARD
Miriam Coats, Isabelle Gamble, Angus Geddes, Jim Henry, Primrose Heriot Mahleighe Jolly, Mathew Mulloy-Ellison, Aiden Walmsley

175 NIGHTS READING AWARD
Isaac Bennetts, Harry Capell, Cooper Glass, Holly Hall, Aylee Jenkyn, Audrey Lieschke, Ryder McKillop, Ben Williams

200 NIGHTS READING AWARD
Aylee Jenkyn, Audrey Lieschke, Ella Lieschke, Jasmine Lieschke, Lachie Parker, Reuben Wilton

225 NIGHTS READING AWARD
Aylee Jenkyn

250 NIGHTS READING AWARD
Aylee Jenkyn

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD
Georgina Barr-Smith, Hamilton Black, Harriet Bull, Rohan Jepson, Taylan King, Laura Koppens, Hamish Livermore, Laura Pardey, Cianna Toll, Will Wood

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COMMUNITY NEWS

PROFESSIONAL TENNIS COACHING

Local professional tennis coach Jade Culph is seeking expressions of interest to coach juniors and adults, Thursday evenings from 4.30 pm onwards. Please phone Peter Waite 6036 2122 or Lynne Lubke 6036 2143.

ST PAUL’S FLOWER SHOW: CLASS D, DECORATIVE FOR CHILDREN

Containers are to be named, on the underside, with the name of the entrant and the entrant’s school. They are the responsibility of the entrant. Entries need to be submitted by 10.00 am, Friday 30 October 2015 to the Shire Hall.

14 Years and under
1. A “Spring” arrangement
2. Floral headband
3. An animal made from vegetables and/or fruit.

10 Years and under
4. A “Spring” arrangement
5. Floral headband
6. An animal made from vegetables and/or fruit.

7 Years and under
7. A “Spring” arrangement
8. Floral headband

9. An animal made from Vegetables and/or fruit.

**Pre-school**
10. A “Spring” arrangement
11. Floral headband
12. An animal made from vegetables and/or fruit.

**Steward:** Mrs Chic Taskis
**Prizes:**
- **1st Prize:** $5.00
- **2nd Prize:** $3.00

**Most Successful Exhibitor**
donated by Mrs Jean Campbell

PLEASE NOTE: THE SCHOOL DOES NOT ORGANISE ENTRIES FOR THIS EVENT

HOLBROOK CRICKET CLUB

**T20 Big Blast**
**Attention: Years 3 & 4.**
Are you interested in playing in the exciting T20 Big Blast in Albury on Friday nights from 5.30 pm? If so ask Mum or Dad to contact Russell Parker by email: russandlea@westnet.com.au or 0402 292 723 ASAP. This will only happen if numbers permit.

**Under 13’s Cricket**
As numbers are healthy we are considering playing an extra game on Saturday mornings with any younger children aged 9-10 years. If your child is interested please contact Russell Parker 0402...
292 723 or come along to Under 13’s training on Thursday at 4.30 pm at the Ten Mile Creek ground.

**SWIMMING LESSONS**

- November, December, January and February 2015/2016 Season
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- Once a week, twice a week or one off intensive 1-2 week lessons available
- Your choice of Stroke Correction, Swim and survival and Baby-Mother lessons.
- We will try our best to suit your needs, days and times. Looking forward to meeting new families and their wonderful children!
- Please feel free to call any of our teachers for queries and details about booking. If one of us cannot fit you in, another one of us surely can!

**For more information or to make a booking, visit sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/swimsurviv or phone 13 13 02**

**Excursion Payments are due**

Year 3 to 6 school excursions are fast approaching. All fees were due at the end of Term 3. If you haven’t already done so, please pay immediately.

**Intensive Swimming**

Intensive Swimming for those students in Kindergarten to Year 2 and those in Year 3 who cannot swim is just around the corner. So get your swim gear ready!
Starting school is an important step for your child. To help your family become familiar with daily routines, Holbrook Public School is hosting a series of Kinder Orientation Days for local pre-school aged children.

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<td>Fun and games with the current Kinders</td>
<td>A fun morning of singing, dancing and story-telling with the current Kinder class. Finishing off with a fruit platter.</td>
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<td>Wednesday 19 August</td>
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<td>A chance for pre-schoolers to become familiar with the school environment in a fun, relaxed way. Don’t forget your teddy bear!</td>
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<td>Wednesday 25 November</td>
<td>Meet your buddies!</td>
<td>Meet your buddies for 2015! A morning tea for parents to meet the school community and the opportunity for the new Kinders to meet their buddies for the following year. Buddies will then go off to play games whilst important information is provided to ensure a smooth transition to school for you and your child.</td>
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"Persistence and patience have a magical effect before which difficulties disappear and obstacles vanish." John Quincy Adams

The ability to persist at a task and see it through to the end is one of the most important success attributes that you can develop in a child.

There are numerous times every day when children must persist rather than give in. A young child learning to tie shoe laces must persist. A primary aged student must show determination to finish tasks and a secondary student needs to work through difficulties, particularly those he doesn’t understand or complete right away.

They need to be able to persist when work gets hard or life gets tough. They need the ‘stickability’ to work through difficulties and hang in there when things don’t go their way.

Some children are more naturally predisposed to persist than others. They have a determined, even competitive streak in their temperament that doesn’t allow them to give in. These children and young people can drive themselves very hard to succeed.

The results of the Australian Temperament Project show that persistence is the one temperamental factor that can be improved over time. Parents and teachers can develop persistence in children and also impede its development by making life too easy for children so that they don’t have opportunities to persist or hang in there.

Parents can promote persistence by encouraging their children to keep going and not give in at the slightest hurdle or difficulty.

Parents can be a sounding board for children’s gripes but they should show confidence in their ability to cope and get through their difficulties. “You can do it” is far more powerful in terms of promoting an attitude of persistence than “if it is a little too hard then try something else.”

Let children know that there is a correlation between effort and success. In fact, they need to learn that by GIVING EFFORT they will more than likely experience more success. The ability to persist in the face of difficulties maybe an old-fashioned quality but it is one of the best success attributes that children will ever develop.

Here are four practical strategies you can use to promote a sense of persistence in your children:

1. Develop a vocabulary for persistence
   Words like “Hang tough”, “Work Hard” and “Hang in there” can become part of their every day vocabulary.

2. Point out to children when they stick at a task
   Most parents know it pays off when they catch their children being good but it also pays off to catch them being persistent. The behaviours you focus on as parents expand so let them know when they have been persistent. Also remind them that persistence generally pays off.

3. Help children to remember times when they experienced success by HANGING IN when they were younger. Let them know that persistence has paid off before and it will again.

4. Talk about HARD WORK with your children
   They need to understand that to be successful they need to do things that are NOT fun or easy. While it would be good if all work and learning was fun, in reality, this is not always the case.
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Holbrook Public School is a highly successful primary school with a long history of academic achievement, combined with cultural and sporting excellence. We provide an engaging, disciplined and caring learning place where young people are provided with the support and encouragement they need to achieve their personal best.

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We have been recognised for our outstanding academic achievements brought about by a team of teachers and staff dedicated to a culture of constant improvement and up-to-date teaching strategies.

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We are a welcoming and friendly school community with close partnerships with parents and the wider community. Our enthusiastic and experienced staff are dedicated to ensuring your children have the opportunity to be active and engaged learners by helping them realise their full potential in a nurturing environment.

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Henty Public School

Henty Public School is located midway between Albury and Wagga Wagga. Henty Public School provides a safe and nurturing learning environment that develops respect, understanding and responsibility.

Our school is characterised by a high quality teaching and learning environment supported by experienced and committed staff. We enjoy the support of an active Parent and Citizens’ Association and strong relationships with all groups in the community.

Our emphasis is on achievement with strong literacy and numeracy programs, innovative information and communication technologies, creative arts, school brass band, debating and environmental education are targeted programs at the school.

Quality teaching and quality learning for all, in a safe, happy and supportive environment