FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S OFFICE

School Assembly – Well done to the Year 5/6 class for running a great assembly last Friday. This Friday’s assembly will be run by the Year 2 class and will start at 11.00 am. I look forward to seeing you there.

Riverina Central Choir – Congratulations to Janita Nickel who successfully tried out for the Riverina Central Choir last Monday in Wagga. It is a wonderful achievement, which opens up many fantastic opportunities to perform, both locally and potentially, in places like Sydney. Well done Janita!

Riverina Boys Cricket Trials – Congratulations to Ewan Mackinlay who was selected in the squad of 24 players which will train over the winter before the final selection at the end of Term 3.

SR AFL Trials – Congratulations to Jack de Steiger, Henry Gulliver, Ewan Mackinlay and Fletcher Parker for their selection in the SR AFL team. They will now take part in the Riverina East Trials to be held in Coolamon on Friday 20 March. All the best boys!

Year 5/6 Rugby League and League Tag Mortimer Shield Gala Day – This will be played on Tuesday 10 March at Sarvaas Park in Albury. I will be coaching the boy’s team and Miss Mills will be coaching the girls. It will be a great opportunity for the students involved. All the best to both teams!

Toon School – The students will be taking part in this on Thursday, with the focus on building resilience. This will be a very valuable learning experience for the students.

SR Netball Trials – All the best to Phoebe Emerson, Kasey Henry, Aylee Jenkyn, Lara Pardey, Matilda Preston and Millie Walsh as they take part in the trials this Friday at Henty.

Anti-Bullying Program – Every week, I want to put information in the newsletter to give parents more support to help work with their children about bullying.

Strategies to Deal with Bullies – Victims should:
1. Stay calm
2. Stand strong
3. Respond confidently
4. Walk away
5. Report to someone you trust

Jason Weaver
Principal
Canteen Helpers Needed for Next Term

If you have some free time in your calendar in Term 2 to help with the canteen on Monday and/or Friday mornings, please email Georgie Millard on georgy2@tpg.com.au. Not only is the process simple, it only takes around 45 minutes out of your day and *your child loves to see you there.*

Lunch Orders

Due to the increased demand of brown paper bags for lunch orders, we are advising that a 10¢ surcharge will be added to the lunch order if we are supplying the bag for you.

Attention All Green Thumbs

Our Garden Club students are doing a fantastic job of tending to the gardens. In preparation for our Winter crops, our Garden Club students will begin to improve the soil in our vegie patches this week. They are an eager group, but are low on gardening equipment. Therefore we are asking any of you keen gardeners out there for donations of herbs, succulents and other appropriate plants for our sensory garden and vegie patches. We would also appreciate any small gardening gloves, buckets or unwanted gardening tools.

Thank You

A big thank you to the Capell family for their generous donation of herbs and succulents for our Gardening Club students. Thanks also to Tracy Swan for packets of seeds.

Premier’s Reading Challenge

All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 are encouraged to participate in this year’s Premier's Reading Challenge, which runs from 3 March to 21 August, 2015. The reading lists and all other information can be downloaded from the website: [www.nswpremiersreadingchallenge](http://www.nswpremiersreadingchallenge). If you require any other information, please contact the school.

Cross Country Carnival

The school cross country carnival will be held on the school oval on Thursday 19 March. All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be participating. The day will commence at 10.00 am, with students walking the course and then beginning the races. Students are asked to come dressed in their house colours (Lawson – blue, Mackellar – green, Paterson – red). Parents are very welcome to come and watch the children. Thank you to those parents who have offered to assist on the day. Your help is very much appreciated. I look forward to seeing you on Thursday 19 March.

 Chrissy Lavis

Harmony Day Celebrations

This year, we will be celebrating Harmony Day on Friday 20 March. Students are asked to come dressed in orange and bring a gold coin donation. The SRC will be selling bouncy balls for $3 and fruit tubes for $1 at long break. Money raised will go to Stewart House and helping children less fortunate than ourselves. In the afternoon, students will be participating in some activities on Thailand, the country our sponsor child, Gewalin, comes from. Please support this wonderful day.

 Chrissy Lavis

P&C Diary Dates

A.G.M – 25 March 2015 at 7.30 pm: All executive positions are vacant and we encourage all interested parents/carers to attend the meeting. In conjunction with this, the ordinary general meeting will proceed after the AGM.

Did you Know? Over the last 3 years the P&C have raised over $24,000, which has assisted in the provision of resources and improving facilities for our school.
**EASTER RAFFLE**

The P&C are calling for donations of Easter eggs and/or related items of our Monster Easter raffle, to be held on the last day of Term 1, Thursday, 2 April 2015. All items can be delivered to the school office and are greatly appreciated.

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**STARS OF THE WEEK**

Eli Toll, Kindergarten

Indianna Paton, Year 2

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**AWARDS**

**Miss Mills**
Lachlan Kingston – His willingness to ‘have a go’
Isabel Yensch – Being a wonderful helper in the classroom

**Miss Luff**
Mahleigha Jolly – Being a hardworking student
Jasmine Lieschke – Trying her best in all activities

**Miss Murphy**
Lachie Parker – For being a very helpful and friendly student
Charlotte Young – For excellent work with addition and subtraction

**Mrs Preston**
Hamish Bull – Excellent results in our reading and comprehension tests
Eleanor Coats – Excellent results in our reading and comprehension tests

**Mr Preston**
Audrey Lieschke – For a mature approach to all her school work
Anna Pitzen – For excellent bookwork during numeracy

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**HAVE YOU CONTRIBUTED TO YOUR CHILD’S EDUCATION YET?**

School Council have decided to keep the school contribution fees for 2015 to a low $30 per child.

That’s just 15¢ per child, per school day!

These fees allow the school to purchase teaching resources as well as writing books, stationery, art supplies and library books.

Remember, every dollar counts!

Congratulations to those 44 families who have already contributed to their child’s education!

There is still time for our remaining families to contribute before the end of Term 1.

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**FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP**

**PRE-Loved Uniforms in stock now!**

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Miss Lavis
Aylee Jenkyn – Excellent persuasive writing
Matilda Preston – Perseverance and effort to produce quality texts

Miss Weavers
Braydon Eddy – Being a helpful and welcoming member of the class
Josh Toll – For receiving his first 100% result in his maths test

Miss Peterson
Seth Webb – Making links between his class work and real life experiences
Logan Wright – Editing and improving his writing

Mr Weaven
Molly Barr-Smith – For achieving great spelling results
Braydon Eddy – For great descriptive writing
Jim Henry – For achieving great spelling results
Indi Paton – For achieving great spelling results
Molly Pitzen – For achieving great spelling results
Nethanael Tepper – For achieving great spelling results

VALUES AWARDS - DEMOCRACY
Junior: Nethanael Tepper
Senior: Amelia Pincott

STAR CARD WINNERS
Yellow Playground Star Cards
Izak Schirmer, Olivia Toll

Blue Classroom Star Cards
Sam de Steiger, Tara Jepson

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD
Maddie Black, Cheyanne Chattaway, Lucy de Steiger, Aaron Heritage, Madison Lumsden, Fletcher Parker, Oscar Preston, William Satchell, Seth Watego-Maclaughlan, William Wood, Jasmine Young

25 NIGHTS READING

SPONSORSHIP:
The following businesses of Holbrook sponsor our newsletter. Please support them when you can.
COMMUNITY NEWS

KIDS CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAM

In the second week of school holidays (Monday 13/4 to Friday 17/4) a Kids Club Holiday Programme will be running at the Anglican Church from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm each day. For all children aged Preschool to Year 6. Please contact James Coats on 6036 2048 to register or for more info.

Aqua Fitness Classes are on!
Classes are 45 minutes duration
$12 + admission or season ticket

Tuesday: 6.00 am Aqua
9.00 am Aqua (child minding available $2.50 per child, bookings essential)

Wednesday: 6.00 pm Aqua
Saturday: 8.00 am Aqua

Enquiries: Margot Pitzen 0407 658 401

PARKS WEEK
Celebrate with us at
Blue Metal Travelling Stock Reserve Hume Highway, Woomargama

SATURDAY 14 MARCH 2016 – FROM 10.00AM - 2.00PM

This event has been relocated from Woomargama NP and will now be held at the Blue Metal Travelling Stock Reserve NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service supported by the Great Eastern Ranges Initiative invites you to join HMWS Aboriginal Discovery rangers and learn about the Aboriginal culture of the Wiradjuri Peoples.

There will be hands-on activities for the whole family. You can make your own bush craft and taste some traditional bush Tucker. Find out how to identify scats and traces of the native wildlife. Also find out about volunteer conservation work in the area.

A morning tea and lunch will be provided.

Travel from Holbrook take the Blue Metal Hill rest area exit off Hume Hwy.

Travel from Albury the Blue Metal Rest Area is not aggregated. Go 6km past the Mulgangoda Rest Area past a “Welcome to Riverina” sign. Look for a right turn at the highway - this process south bound lanes so use caution. Turn right at the Truncation and travel 10km and turn right onto the Blue Metal Road Reserve Road.

PROGRAM
10.00 - 10.20 Meet & Morning tea
10.30 - 11.30 Welcome and guided walk
12.00 - 12.30 Lunch
1.00 - 2.00 What’s on in Woomargama Displays and discussions on - Conservation activities - Volunteer opportunities - Local predator/livestock conservation programs

GRADING: Easy. Suitable for all ages.

COST/FEE: Bookings are required however because of changes to the date this is now a free event.

BOOKINGS REQUIRED: Phone 13000 PARKS or 02 3222 222 or book online.

WHEELCHAIR ACCESS: Medium. This area has uneven ground, grass and dirt.

MORE INFORMATION: Call 1300 361 967 or email parksinfo@nsw.gov.au

See more events for Parks Week 2016.

Private Music Tuition
Lessons on offer: • All Brass • All Woodwind • Piano/Keyboard • All Guitars • Singing

$28 per lesson at the old Convent opposite the Holbrook Bakery

Wednesdays and Thursdays
Phone: (02) 6947 1193
e-mail: ramosmusictumut@gmail.com

HOLBROOK YOUTH DISCO
WHEN: SATURDAY, MARCH 14TH, 6PM TO 9PM
WHERE: HOLBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOL HALL
COST: ONE PRICE, ONE DISCO - $5. GLOBANDS $1 EACH, WATER $1.50 EACH
LOTS OF PRIZES TO BE WON!

Coffee Shop
B2: Now open at 52 Albury Street, Holbrook. Ph: 6036 3300
Open 8.30 am to 3.00 pm 7 days

Holbrook Bakery
128 Albury Street, Holbrook NSW 2644 Ph: 02 6947 2048

Ramos Music

Blue Metal Travelling Stock Reserve Hume Highway, Woomargama

Parks Week 2016
Celebrate with us at
WODONGA HOCKEY CLUB
Looking for U12 & U14 Boys for 2015 season!

Only $30 registration (new players)…

That’s 70% off… Hockey is a great sport come and join a wonderful club.

www.wodongahockey.com.au or email wodongahockey@gmail.com

THE BEST HOLIDAYS HAPPEN AT CAMP

Entertain the kids these school holidays with a Sport and Recreation camp. Our popular kids and family camps offer a range of exciting activities to keep even the biggest kid entertained. Try your hand at over 40 different activities including fishing, slip ‘n slide, abseiling, crafts, kayaking, cooking and more. Led by qualified instructors, you can rest easy knowing your kids are in safe hands.

KIDS CAMP events start from $47. Family Camp weekends start from $63 per day for kids and $96 per day for adults (kids under 5 attend free) cost includes accommodation, meals and activities.

Check out our website (www.holbrook-p.schools@det.nsw.edu.au) for latest news, the canteen menu, uniform order form and other useful information.

A Quick Bite …

Are You Looking for Different Lunchbox Ideas This Year?

Try these quick and easy lunchbox ideas from our Mix and Match tip sheet. Go to our website to download more.

Just pick a fruit, vegetable, dip, main, snack, and water. You can mix and match each day!

Apple + Carrot sticks + Salsa dip + Chicken & avocado wrap + Yoghurt + Water

Rockmelon + Snow peas + White bean dip + Left overs + Rice crackers + Water

Strawberries + Baby Corn + Spinach dip + Mini Quiche + Popcorn + Water

For more information visit mlhd.health.nsw.gov.au/keepinghealthy

A Quick Bite …

Myth: It gets too hot to pack cooked meat, dairy, eggs or other high-risk foods in children’s lunchboxes

Fact: You can safely pack these types of perishable foods by doing the following:

- Use a good quality insulated lunchbox
- Pack a freezer block or frozen drink with the cool items
- Pack the perishable foods close to the frozen item to keep them cool
- Encourage your child to keep their bag out of the sun
- Throw out any uneaten food at the end of the day

For more information visit mlhd.health.nsw.gov.au/keepinghealthy
Help the Bunny Find the Eggs