FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S OFFICE

School Assembly – congratulations to Miss Murphy and the Year 1 class for a great assembly. The next assembly will be held this Friday 11th March and will be run by the Year 2 class with Star of the Week presented by Year 1 and Year 4. We hope to see you there.

Riverina Swimming Carnival – congratulations to all 15 students who represented the Southern Riverina and our school at the Riverina Carnival last Friday in Albury. They can all be very proud of their efforts. Well done to Alyce Parker (11yrs Girls 50m Freestyle), Greta Mackinlay (11yrs Girls 50m Breaststroke) and Harrison Weaven (11yrs Boys 50m Breaststroke) who each finished 2nd in their race and as a result made the Riverina Team. Fantastic effort and they will now represent the Riverina at the NSW Swimming Championships to be held at Homebush, Sydney on the 28th/29th March.

SR Netball & AFL Trials – these were held last Tuesday in Henty. Congratulations to Johnny Ward, Charlie Walters, Harrison Weaven, Damon Brennan and Jordan McClutchie who were all selected at the AFL trials to represent SR at the Riverina East Trials to be held in Coolamon on Friday 18th March. Great effort boys! Congratulations also to Alyce Parker and Jessica Slattery who were selected at the Netball trials to represent SR at the Riverina East Trials to be held in Albury in term 2 (week 2). Great effort girls!

Clean Up Australia Day For Schools – congratulations to all of the students for their wonderful efforts on Friday. Great to see the students supporting our local community.
State Knockout Boys Cricket Match – this will take place tomorrow against Lavington in Albury. Wish the boys all the very best. The team consists of AJ Bender, Harrison Weaven, Damon Brennan, Jackson Gibbs, Johnny Ward, Austin Todd, Bailey Martin, Jordan Eddy, Lewis Bowen, Jordan McClutchie, Charlie Walters and Hugh Anderson.

Peer Support Camp – the students in Year 6 will be going on their Peer Support Camp next Monday and Tuesday. This is very beneficial for those students, as the focus is on student leadership and building strong relationships with others. Mrs Wedgwood does an excellent job.

As I Discussed at last Week’s P&C Meeting
1. Students are involved this term in various sporting trials and carnivals such as Swimming. Students really enjoy the opportunity and should be proud of their efforts and the way they represent the school. Already we have had some very good results and I wish the students all the best for the remainder of the term. Thank you to the staff and many parents who support the students at these trials and carnivals – like today in Henty, and with the swimming, it really is fantastic the support and just how proud parents are of what their child achieves and the opportunity.
2. Also with sport, the State Knockout competition will start shortly, tennis and cricket very soon. Like last year, our aim is not about winning, but participation, playing and having fun as a team, encouraging each other. Giving an opportunity to those who wouldn’t normally get the opportunity.
3. It is not all sport. Interest groups have started, Harmony day is 21st March, a Dance Workshop for students and teachers across the Riverina has been run at our school on 14th March by Graeme Spencer, an international expert dancer and teacher who Kristie has organised. I’ve been working with Kristie to make this happen, speaking with Principals across the Riverina and we will probably have over 20 teachers attending. Great initiative by Kristie, which our students and school will benefit greatly.
4. Also on Dance, Kristie is well under way with the Riverina Dance Festival to be held in Wagga next term. Our dance troupe for this year’s audition for the Riverina Dance Committee.
5. The new toilet block is all but finished – should be able to use it very soon.
6. At the recent Riverina Principal’s Conference I attended, everyone there couldn’t speak highly enough of the value attached to the presentation from Dr Michael Carr-Gregg (Child & Adolescent Psychologist) who spoke to all the Principals, SED’s and Colin Parker was in attendance as well, about numerous topics including parents needing to take more responsibility for their child’s actions and the ever-increasing dangers of technology in the world we live in, particularly cyberbullying. It was very scary!!! Eg Facebook!!! He spoke about the law and the need to involve police more in dealings at school, as too many parents are unfortunately, not doing enough about it before it becomes too late – arrested or death. He deals with this everyday, and it starts off very innocently. As a region, it was agreed by everyone there that we need to do more and plans are been looked at as a school region and state. I will put helpful information in the newsletter as it becomes available and I am looking at holding an information evening for parents – we need your support and you need ours. The P&C agreed very much with this and we will all work closely together to do what we can to benefit our students. I will provide helpful information for parents over the next few weeks.

SCHOOL COUNCIL – 2011
Jason Weaven School Reps
Adam Preston Kate Wedgwood
Hugh Satchell Andrew Watson
Jody Parker Michael Coughlan
Ian Wettenhall
Teena Last

School Fees for 2011 - as decided by the School Council last year, the school fees for 2011 will be $30.00 per child (no family discounts will be available). Envelopes will be sent with this newsletter but if you wish to make payments earlier, these can be done at the office. We currently sit at 34% - early days but it would be great if we could raise this to 70%.

Mr Jason Weaven
Principal

TERM DIARY – TERM 1

WEEK 7
Mon 7 March Riverina Cricket Trials - Deni
Tues 8 March Cricket Knockout - Albury
Wed 9 March Active After Schools – Lawn Bowls
Thurs 10 March Year 6 Orientation Day Billabong High School
Frid 11 March Assembly – 11am – Year 2 Stars of the Week – Yrs 1 & 4

WEEK 8
Mon 14 March Graeme Spencer Dance T&D Peer Support Camp Year 6
Tues 15 March Peer Support Camp Year 6
Wed 16 March Riverina Girls Cricket Trials – Narromine Active After Schools – Lawn Bowls
Frid 18 March Riverina East AFL Trials – Coolamon Assembly – Year 5 Stars of the Week – Year 3 & 6

Enrolment Procedures for Yr 6 - 2011 into Yr 7 - 2012
This information was handed out to all Year 6 students today and is due back to the school no later than Friday 18th March. It must be returned regardless of where you are sending your child to school, government or non-government.
**UNIVERSITY OF NSW AUSTRALASIAN SCHOOL COMPETITIONS**

The University of NSW Australasian Competitions are open to students from Year 3 to Year 6. The form is available later in this newsletter. **PLEASE NOTE:** Computer Competition was left off the original note. If you wish to do the Computer Competition please fill out another form and send it back to the office with the money. We apologise for the inconvenience. All cheques are to be made out to Holbrook Public School. Forms must be returned by 14 March.

**CROSS COUNTRY HELPERS**

Thank you to all the parents who have offered to help with the cross country carnival on Friday 25 March. I will be sending home notes soon regarding checkpoints and jobs. We look forward to a great carnival. We hope to see you there.

Chrissy Lavis
(Cross Country Carnival Co-ordinator)

**AWARDS**

**Mrs Ross**
*Lily Taylor* – Great progress in reading
*Portia Martin* – Completing tasks neatly

**Miss Murphy**
*Lily Last* – For being a lovely friend to others
*Andrea Seymour* – For listening very well to instructions
*Lila-Lee Jack* – Welcome back to Holbrook Public School

**Miss Finlay**
*Phoebe Emerson* – For her outstanding money skills in maths this week
*Abigail Webb* – For always trying her best in all KLA’s

**Mrs Preston**
*Max Plunkett* – Great maths test results
*Bailey Churchill* – Always completing set tasks quickly

**Mr Preston**
*Mackensie Melbourne* – Excellent results in spelling
*Georgia Papworth* – Excellent results in spelling
*Lachie Bulle* – A big improvement in his bookwork

**Miss Lavis**
*Brady Peake* – Excellent maths test results
*Isabelle Coughlan* – A top effort in all areas of English

**Mrs Wedgwood**
*Will Holmes* – Great maths test results and consistent effort in English
*Tuhiwai McClutchie* – Reliability & a thoughtful attitude

**Mr Weaven**
*Jake Flewin* – For great results in his maths test

**SPORTSMANSHIP AWARDS**


**STARS OF THE WEEK**

Kate Bulle
Kindergarten

Ewan Mackinlay
Year 2
COMMUNITY NEWS

BILLABONG LITTLE ATHLETICS PRESENTATION NIGHT
BBQ TEA
Tuesday 8th March 2011
5.00pm
Henty Recreation Ground
Please bring a salad or slice to share
Gold coin donation appreciated

Wagga Wagga Netball Courts, Equex Centre, Kooringal Road, Wagga Wagga

18th – 21st April 2011
9am—3.30pm

8/9/10/11 Years
Monday 18th / Tuesday 19th April

12/13/14/15 Years
Wednesday 20th / Thursday 21st April

COST $90.00
For further details brochures available from school office

Holbrook’s Twilight Markets
WHERE • 10 Mile Creek
WHEN • Saturday 12th March
5.30 – 9pm
Cost of Entry is $20 (wine & nibbles provided)
RSVP 4th MARCH for catering purposes to either
Margot Plass emerac@arboverسف.com.au
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Tracy Swer Tasbushswerves@hotmail.com
Please bring a glass
Event brought to you by Four Leaves & the Holbrook Lions Club
Year 1 Activities

Whole School Assembly performance

Year 1 performed a musical play called 'The 5 Little Ducks' that was inspired by Pamela Allen’s book 'Alexander’s Outing'.

We are learning to read fluently and expressively. We are studying the book ‘Alexander’s Outing’ during literacy lessons.

Year 1 are learning to write like great writers. Andrea and Ned show their excellent writing skills.
PERMISSION NOTE – UNIVERSITY OF NSW AUSTRALASIAN SCHOOL COMPETITIONS
(Students in Years 3 to 6 only) – to be returned by 14 March, 2010

Please enter my child/children in the following competitions. (Please tick where appropriate).

- Science Competition (to be held Wed 9 June) ($7.00 per child)
- Mathematics Competition (to be held Tues 17 Aug) ($7.00 per child)
- English Competition (to be held Tues 3 Aug) ($7.00 per child)
- Spelling Assessment (to be held Tues 22 June) ($10.00 per child)
- Computer Competition (to be held Tues 24 May) ($7.00 per child)

Yr._______

I enclose $____________________entry fees. (Cheques to be made payable to Holbrook Public School)

Signature:__________________________________________   (Parent/Guardian)
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