**Principal’s Message**

**Parent/Teacher Interviews**

The first day of Parent/Teacher interviews were held yesterday afternoon. These interviews are very important to share information with your child’s class teacher. If you have not returned your note requesting an interview, please see your child’s teacher to arrange a mutually suitable time.

**Professional Learning**

Mrs Hoffmann will continue her L3 (Language, Learning and Literacy) training on Thursday afternoon. Mr Allibon will teach class 1-2 during this time.

All staff will continue online learning behaviour on Monday afternoon.

Mrs Hoffmann will be involved in Best Start training for Stage 1 on Friday 1st March. Mrs O’Brien will teach class 1-2 during this time.

**Multiplication Times Tables**

Does your child need encouragement? Explain to them that learning times tables equals, instant painless recall in exams. Here’s School A to Z’s help sheet:


**Far Out! Treasures to the Bush**

Today, students in classes 3-4, 4-5 and 5-6 participated in a program run by the NSW State Library – “Far Out! Treasures to the Bush”. Students were able to view items that represented stages in Australian history in a fun educational environment. The visit offered many students the opportunity to view the tangible evidence of our history.

**Older Readers Struggling with Reading**

Should you let your reluctant reader choose magazines over books? If your child is still struggling to read and write, and they’re heading into high school, there are ways to get them on the right page. Find out more:


**Sorting Fact From Fiction**

Help your child develop their “dodgy website” antennae when doing homework. Here are ways your child can tell a good website – or any document – from a bad one. Find out more:


Yours in Education

Craig Allibon
PRINCIPAL
**What’s In Our Newsletter**

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**Dates to Remember**

*Wednesday 27th February*
Parent Teacher Interviews

*Thursday 28th February*
SRPSSA Soccer Trials at Jindera

*Friday 8th March*
RPSSA Swimming Carnival at Albury

*Wednesday 13th March*
‘To Federation and Beyond’ visiting performance.

*Tuesday 19th March*
SRC Harmony Day Disco

**SRC News**

Good Raffle Winner Week 2 & 3: Congratulations to Isabella Butterworth and Raylean Middis.

Harmony Day Disco: 19th March.
Theme: dress in orange if possible. Entry will be a gold coin donation. All money raised will go to Dunnally Public School

World’s Greatest Shave: Mrs Quilter & George Leov will have their heads shaved on Thursday 14th March. They will be looking for donations and sponsors. All money will go to the Leukaemia Foundation

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**Bounce into the Library for Easter Storytime**

Date: Friday March 1
Time: 10:00am – 11:00am

A basket of stories, rhymes and craft will be found at the Culcairn Library

Everyone welcome.

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**AFTER SCHOOL STUDY CLUB 2013 at the Culcairn Library**

Tuesday during school term from 3.45pm to 4.45pm

Afternoon tea provided – Cost $2.00 per session.

The After School Study Club (ASSC) aims to provide the following:
- To assist and support students from primary school
- Provide access to modern technology and resources
- Provide a quiet and safe place to study away from home distractions

Contact staff at the Culcairn Library on 6029 8588 for further details.

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**Notes sent home recently**

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If you did not received your note please come to the office.
Class K-1

A reminder that home readers can be changed daily. Thank you to our parent helpers who have been assisting during our L3 sessions.

Class 1-2

Thank you to our families who came to see us sing at last week’s assembly and to those who have paid their resource and program fee already. Last week we enjoyed the AFL clinic for sport. Our student of the week is Trey Laird. Read what his classmates know and wrote about him on our classroom display board. I look forward to meeting families at our Parent/Teacher interviews this week.

Class 3-4

Parent/Teacher interviews began yesterday afternoon and continue until Wednesday. If you are yet to return the form to set up a time, it is not too late. There are plenty of available times on Wednesday and if this doesn't suit, I am willing to make a time for Thursday afternoon. We are in the process of planning our assembly item for Thursday next week, please mark the date in your calendar and come along and watch our item. Please encourage students to read each night and complete homework activities each week.

Class 4-5

We had another fantastic week of learning and growth. All students have settled into the new classroom routines and expectations very well. Students are generally completing all the work required of them and are mostly completing it at a very high standard. We had a great start to the homework routine with most students finishing all the work set. I also want to mention the class champions from last week, with the Angry Alligators taking out the honours. The Parent/Teacher interviews are on this week and I am looking forward to meeting you all.

Class 5-6

Another good working week and an excellent response to homework. Well done everyone! Today we had a very informative and worthwhile workshop from the NSW State Library. Welcome back Brandon Thomas after his wonderful USA trip. Good luck to Sophie Schulz who is competing in the tennis trials on Friday. Thank you to all the families who helped the students complete their water usage surveys as part of our Science unit. Thank you also to those parents attending the Parent/Teacher interviews this week. It is so important to stay informed about your child's learning and to discuss any problems both academic or social. Tables Champs Week 3: Leilanie Feagaiga (-10sec handicap) Breannon Hall (-5sec handicap).
**On the Ball and On The Go**

**AFL Clinic**
All students enjoyed participating in the AFL clinics run by the AFL Development Officer Jesse Kent on Friday. It was great to see students have the opportunity to give Australian Rules Football a try and showcase their hidden talents. Information leaflets were distributed outlining the Austick program run at the Culcairn Football Ground beginning in April 2013.

**Friday Sport**
This week, students continue with Athletic rotations and Fundamental Movement Skills programs.

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**Boys’ Club!**

**WET ‘n’ WILD**
For primary aged boys! (Dads are welcome)
Saturday March 2\textsuperscript{nd}
at 88 Munro Street, Culcairn
Time: 2:00pm-5pm
Afternoon tea, games, and lots of water.
Bring: clothing that can get wet and a towel

Contact Wayne for details
0427293758

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**CULCAIRN NETBALL CLUB REGISTRATION DAYS**
Thursday 28th February at 6:30pm and Saturday 2\textsuperscript{nd} March at 9:00am – 11:00am
at Culcairn Sportsground.

Registration Fee
18 + $100.00
11-17 $80.00
8-10 $60.00
up to 7 $50.00

NO REGISTRATION WILL BE TAKEN WITHOUT PAYMENT.

**Sport Crazy Camp**
Monday April 15th to Friday April 19th 2013

The week long program will include playing a range of sports and activities. This is a fantastic opportunity for children to have a go and improve their skills in a variety of sports with instruction provided by qualified coaches and instructors.

**Southern Sports Academy**
School Holiday Netball Development Camp
Wagga Wagga Equex Centre
15th/16th April 2013 ages 8-11 years old and 23rd/24th April 12–15 years old.

Cost $90.00
Application Forms can be picked up form the School Office.

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**REMINDER**
School banking for the Commonwealth Bank and Hume Building Society is done on Monday.
State Library Visit

On Tuesday 26\textsuperscript{th} February, students from Years 3 - 6 (stages 2 and 3) had a visit from the State Library of New South Wales. We learnt a lot about Australian history and did it whilst still having fun!

During the visit we learnt that there is little written Aboriginal culture. We learnt about the English founders and heroes of the past. People like Mathew Flinders, Mary Reibey and the great Captain James Cook. We also saw some of the valuable possessions of these past heroes. Things like Captain Cook’s shoe buckles that he wore during his court trial, or Mary Reibey’s letter to her aunt, written on board the Royal Admiral, a convict ship anchored off Botany Bay. Each piece was as valuable and touching as the last.

This presentation has improved our respect for our ancestors, from the convicts, to royalty, the rich and the poor. We now know that they all had their own stories. We would like to acknowledge and thank Megan and Pauline for bringing this excellent exhibition to the school.

By Holly Johnson