Principal’s Message

**Cross Country Carnival**

The annual Cross Country carnival will be held tomorrow 3rd April. Students are to come to school as normal and we will then walk to the Culcairn Sportsground together. Students will again run the Culcairn Walking/Cycling Track and finish at the Culcairn Sportsground. Students will return to school at the completion of the carnival. Our school will be running a canteen on the day. If you are able to assist either in the canteen or cooking the BBQ please see Ms Fage, your classroom teacher or Kathryn Kane (P&C President). If you intend to take your child home at the conclusion of the carnival, please ensure you inform your child's class teacher.

**Athletics Carnival**

A big thank you to all the students who attended the Athletics Carnival last Tuesday. All the students are to be congratulated on their efforts and behavior on the day. Flinders were the overall winner narrowly from Hume and Hovell. Thank you to the parents and friends who assisted on the day. Finally, a huge thank you and congratulations are to be extended to Miss Taylor for her excellent organization and running of the carnival. Congratulations to our champions:

- Junior Boy Champion - Jaspar Butterworth
- Junior Girl Champion - Georgia Way
- 11 Years Boy Champion - Rueban Heath and Rory Jenkins
- 11 Years Girls Champion - Sophie Schulz
- Senior Boy Champion - Russell Rutter
- Senior Girl Champion - Stefanie Cook

**Paul Kelly Cup**

Next Monday 8th April, some of the Year 5 and 6 students will be involved in the Paul Kelly Cup Gala Day. Some of the St Joseph’s Primary School students will join us to play against other schools in the area. Those students involved are to come to school as normal and will walk down to the Culcairn Sportsground at 9:30am. Mr Allibon will accompany the team.

**Mathletics**

All students have been signed up to Mathletics – an online mathematics program – for this year. Mathletics has a number of mathematical components and the students really enjoy the fun learning environment. Students have their own login and password and are able to access it at home: [www.mathletics.com](http://www.mathletics.com)

**NAPLAN**

This year’s NAPLAN tests for Years 3 and 5 students will take place from 14th May to 16th May. Parents of students involved will receive the results of these tests later in the year.

**Wirraminna Excursion**

Next Tuesday 9th April Years 4-5 and 5-6 will visit Wirraminna Environmental Centre as part of their Science unit for this term. Students will need to return their signed permission notes and $2.

**Thank You and Farewell**

Unfortunately this is Mrs Gater’s last week with us. We thank her for her hard work and dedication and wish her well in Wagga Wagga.

**Last Day of Term 1**

The last day for this term is Friday 12th April. Students will return for Term 2 on Wednesday 1st May. Staff will be involved in two Staff Development Days on Monday 29th April and Tuesday 30th April.

Yours in Education

Craig Allibon
PRINCIPAL
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- Woolworths Earn & Learn Promotion

**Easter Hat Parade and Raffle:** A big thank you to all who supported both events. Some great hats and lots of winners in the 26 prize raffle. Congratulations to all the winners.

1. Annie Coles
2. Jack Taylor
3. Duncan Burgess
4. Sharon Lilley
5. Mrs Jenkins
6. Ellie Webster
7. Evelyn Dowell
8. Breannon Hall
9. Walmsley Family
10. Robert Thomas
11. Oliver Wood
12. Michaela Wotten
13. Pheonix Sadler
14. Cohen Dowell
15. Thomas Hamson
16. Duncan Burgess
17. Mrs Batson
18. Abbi Jerrick
19. Isabelle Young
20. Oliver Wood
21. Isabelle Young
22. Tyleasha Lyons
23. Olivia Binskin
24. Ben Binsk
25. Miranda Kent
26. Emma Phillips

Well done to the SRC executive for their excellent organisation.

**Dates to Remember**

*Wednesday 3rd April*  
Cross Country

*Monday 8th April*  
Paul Kelly Cup

*Tuesday 9th April*  
4-5 and 5-6 Excursion to Wirraminna

*Friday 12th April*  
Last Day Term 1

*Wednesday 1st May*  
Term 2 commences for all students

**Notes sent home recently**

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**Mother’s Day Stall:** Thursday 9th May. A lovely range of gifts ranging from $2.00 to $6.00 will be on sale.

**Last meeting for Term 1:** Wednesday 10th April in the 5-6 classroom at lunch time.
Class K-1

Our Cross Country carnival is tomorrow. Please see ‘On The Ball and On the Go’ for details. No homework this week or next, but home reading will continue. Bronze Awards: Katie Parsons, Pheonix Sadler, Peter Fox, Oliver Wood, Bridget Butterworth, Jade Judd, Georgia Manton, Isabelle Parsons, Michaela Wotten, Cohen Dowell

Class 1-2

Tomorrow is the Cross Country run at the Culcairn Sportsground. Please remember to wear running shoes, sunscreen and a hat and bring a drink bottle. This is Mrs Gater’s last week with us and we thank her very much for being such a wonderful helper in L3 in our classroom this year. Please check the rough copy of your child’s speech this week. It has been glued into Homework books. More information can be added and details corrected, before being returned on Friday. Congratulations to Tyler Watson on 25 nights of home reading. Bronze Awards: Zoe Byatt, Ebony Russell, Jerome Feagaiga, Kye Bodycott, Jarrod Harris, Jaxon Lloyd, Braidy Towns.

Class 3-4

Students should be proud of the efforts they made designing and making their Easter hats for the Easter Hat Parade last Thursday. Everyone looked terrific. After having a break from homework last week, students have been given literacy and numeracy worksheets for this week. There will be spelling words coming home today. Tomorrow, students have their annual Cross Country event. This year it is being hosted by St Joseph's Primary School. Students are to come to school as normal and walk down with the whole school. Please remind students to pack a water bottle, hat and sunscreen. A canteen will be available.

Class 4-5

Last week was an extremely busy week with our Athletics Carnival and Easter Hat Parade. Everyone has done an amazing job keeping focused on their work. Congratulations to Georgia Way for her efforts on becoming Junior Girls Champion! Due to Easter Monday and the Cross Country this week we have another short week. This means a slightly altered homework timetable.

Class 5-6

Homework went home today and is due next Monday. There will be no homework next week. The Australian HSIE unit was generally well done, however some students, particularly Year 6 need to greatly improve their work ethic. For the last 2 weeks of term we will be completing a mini unit on ANZAC. ‘Wonderful Water’ our Science unit will culminate with the excursion to Wirraminna Environmental Centre next Tuesday. Please return permission notes and $2.00 asap. We welcome to Year 6 Aaron Rattray from North Albury Public. Our Catchment Kids; George Leov, Leilani Feagaiga, Kassandra Body and Stefanie Cook will attend their first workshop this Friday. They have interviewed Mr Paul Hoffmann, their Catchment Champion for this year's book. Please join us if you can this Thursday at 2:45pm to enjoy 'The Three Little Pigs' by Roald Dahl, our assembly item. A reminder that expression of interest notes for the Canberra Excursion are due soon. If this is not returned it will be assumed your child will not be attending.
On the Ball and On The Go

Cross Country

Our annual Cross Country event will be held tomorrow, Wednesday 3rd April at the Culcairn Sports Ground. Students are to come to school as normal and walk down with the whole school at approximately 9:20am. Students will be welcomed at 9:45am and will walk the course at 10:00am. Infants (ages 5, 6 & 7 years old) will be running a 1km course beginning at 10:45am. Students aged 8, 9 & 10 years old will run next in age order, completing a 2km course. Finally, 11, 12 & 13 year old students will complete their 3km course. The carnival will conclude at approximately 2:00pm.

A canteen run by Culcairn Public School P&C will be available throughout the day. Students are reminded to pack a hat, sunscreen and water bottle and are encouraged to bring fruit and snacks. It should be a great day!!

Stewart House

Attached to this Newsletter is the Stewart House Donation Drive envelope. Your donation supports the 1800 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and ACT.

Please place a $2.00 coin or equivalent in the envelope, write your name, address, telephone number and school on the envelope and return it to the school office by 10th May for a chance to enter the draw for a $4000.00 family holiday. The winning entry will be drawn on 24th May 2012. The winner will be contacted by phone.

Boys’ Club!

For primary aged boys!
(Dads are welcome)
Saturday Apr 6th
at 88 Munro St, Culcairn
Time: 2-5pm

Afternoon tea, games, bonfire, wood building, go cart riding.
Bring: clothing that can get dirty.

Contact Wayne on 0427293758
Or Matt on 0427296114

News from the Vegie Patch

This Thursday after assembly there will be a Market Stall. We will have Tomato Chutney, Green Tomato Pickles, Lemon Cordial, Strawberry Jam, Bread and Butter Cucumbers and Cup Cakes along with our produce from the garden. We have tomatoes, beans, cucumbers, zucchini, eggplant, corn, eggs and bok choy.

This will be my last stall as I will be leaving on Thursday to move to Wagga Wagga. I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support over the past 18 months and hope you will continue to support the garden stall in the future.

Hope to see you there.

Cheryl Gater
School Learning Support Officer
Fortnightly Calendar Updates
Your Friend on the Fridge!

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Week 10

Monday 1st April  Easter Monday
Tuesday 2nd April
Wednesday 3rd April  Cross Country Carnival
Thursday 4th April
Friday 5th April

Week 11

Monday 8th April  Paul Kelly Cup Gala Day
Tuesday 9th April  Wirraminna Excursion Classes 4-5 and 5-6
Wednesday 10th April
Thursday 11th April
Friday 12th April  Last Day of Term 2