Principal’s Message

The New School Strategic Plan

2015-2017

Culcairn Public School is about to start planning for the next three year period. This involves consultation with staff, students, parents and the wider community. This will enable us to develop a plan which is inclusive of ideas and opinions of all stakeholders and make our great school even better. A survey was sent home today which seeks your input and will assist us in developing directions for our future. Please assist us by completing the questions as honestly as possible. Please note all responses are confidential and individuals do not need to identify themselves. The same process will be completed with staff and students before our strategic directions are developed. All surveys need to be returned by Friday 14th November.

Personal Development Lessons

On Thursday 6th November, students in Year 5 and Year 6 will be involved in Personal Development lessons with Dr Maggie Watson. All girls will be involved from 9:30 am - 11:25 am and the boys from 11:45 am – 1:30pm. If parents have not yet returned their permission notes, please do so as soon as possible.

Silver Morning Tea

Our next Silver Morning Tea will take place next Tuesday 11th November from 11:25 am until 11:45am. Invitations will be sent home this week.

Hot Dog Day/Raffle Tickets

A reminder that tomorrow – Wednesday 5th November – is our Hot Dog Day to support Lucy Way at the PSSA National Athletics Carnival in Tasmania later this month. Lucy also has raffle tickets to sell with some great prizes on offer. If you would like to buy a raffle ticket to support Lucy, please see the school office.

Australian Ballet

Next Tuesday 11th November students will be involved in a series of workshops by the Australian Ballet Company. Students will have a one hour workshop, followed by the opportunity to watch the presenters dance in the afternoon. This is a great opportunity for our students.

Student Assessments

Students are currently completing assessments of their learning progress in class. This is in preparation for teachers writing reports. Student reports will be sent home to parents on Friday 12th December.

Remembrance Day Service

Our Remembrance Day service will take place at the Memorial Wall in Culcairn from 10:45 am next Tuesday 11th November. Students will leave school at 10:30am.

Yours in Education

Craig Allibon
PRINCIPAL
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Dates to Remember

Wednesday 5th November
Hot Dog Day Fundraiser

Tuesday 11th November
Silver Morning Tea

Monday 24th November
Intensive Swimming Program begins

Wednesday 3rd December
Year 6 Transition Day
Year 6 Farewell

Friday 5th December
Intensive Swimming Program concludes

Thursday 11th December
Talent Quest/Class Parties

Friday 12th December
Gold Assembly/Concert
Reports go home to parents

Monday 15th December
Gold Excursion

Wednesday 17th December
Last Day for Students

Keep looking for those pre-loved books in good condition for the Show’n’Shine event on November 23rd. Books can be sent to school and left with Mrs Leov.

Thank you.
Christine Schulz
P&C President

Blue Illusion Fashion Parade for Camp Quality

Come in, relax and enjoy a glass of wine & nibbles, whilst viewing Blue Illusion’s latest Spring Summer Fashion Parade of 2014

Entry, wine and nibbles are free
You'll also receive a $25 Voucher to be used on the day
20% of sales at the event will be donated to CAMP QUALITY

When: November 15th from 12noon till 3:00pm
Where: Blue Illusion 3/495 Dean St Albury
RSVP please to Di at Blue illusion Albury 6041 6080

REMINDER

School banking for the Commonwealth Bank and Hume Building Society is done on Monday.
Class K-1
This is the last week for homework this year. Home reading will continue for the next 3 weeks. This week we say goodbye to Annabell Barber. We will miss your smiling face and we wish you well at your new school. Intensive swimming lessons for all K-1 students will begin in a few weeks. Please start getting ready by making sure your child has swimmers, a towel, a rash shirt or old t-shirt and sunscreen. A note with details will be sent home in the next few weeks.

Class 1-2
Wow... I can't believe we are already up to week 5. Well done to those students completing homework activities each week. Your marble reward charts are filling up quickly and you are working hard to get 500 Hume awards to go on the Gold Excursion later this term. Invites for the Silver Morning Tea will go home this week. A reminder to girls to continue tying back their hair in an effort to rid the class of head lice. Everyone needs to do their part in checking and treating their child's hair each week. Students will be completing their last few Term 4 assessments this week.

Class 3-4
Over the last two days I have conducted Literacy and Numeracy testing. The class have enjoyed having Mrs Batson while I was testing. Tomorrow our class will be making a delicious healthy drink called “Juicy Fruit Shake”. This design by Gabby and Bella was voted best design by all the class participants. If possible, could all students bring a banana to school tomorrow as we will be making banana chips. A quick reminder that we will be presenting our class item at assembly on Thursday at 2:45pm

Class 4-5
This Thursday, Year 5 students have a personal development lesson presented by Dr Maggie Watson. A note went home last week as well as an invitation to say all parents are welcome to attend. Year 5 students have been told that they can start preparing their school captain posters and speeches and will present them in Week 9. We are starting to film our movies that we have been making in class and the students are really enjoying the experience. Have a great week.

Class 6
Thank you to all parents who returned their child’s permission notes so promptly for the Human Sexuality session this Thursday. Whilst Mr Kent will attend the boys session and Miss Phillips will attend the girls session, parents are also welcome to sit in on these sessions. These sessions will be held in the library – girls at 9:30am and boys at 11:45am. Staff attended a professional development evening this week at Billabong High School with the Morgan Community of Schools. What a fantastic opportunity this was for our teaching staff to join the staff from Henty Public School, Holbrook Public School and Billabong High School to work with the Literacy Continuum.
PROPOSED MYGolf Beginners Program - Culcairn

Golf Association (MDGA) is supporting the My Golf program by taking it to smaller clubs and communities. It is leveraging the successful work conducted at the Howlong Golf Club and are using this and other resources to help all district clubs participate in providing this coaching clinic concept.

The MYGolf program has been and still is a very successful program which is still being run at Howlong and now at Corryong as the hub club for Corryong, Walwa, Welaregang and Khancoban.

A meeting to hear more about the Program is being held at Culcairn Golf Club on Thursday 6 November at 6:30 pm. Representatives of Holbrook Golf Club will also be present and the MDGA and Howlong GC representatives will be running the meeting, giving an overview and more details of the Program and what needs to be done to have a successful program of junior golf for Culcairn and Holbrook children. **Parents or any others who are interested, would be very welcome to attend the meeting with the MDGA and Club members.**

To run the program we would need volunteers to help out each day, as well as some Golf Club members. There will be a course online to train some to become Community Coaches. Note that parents or friends do not have to be golfers to assist in this Program.

The aims of the MDGA MYGolf Beginners Program are:
- To expose young children and parents to benefits of and opportunities to play the sport of golf, the sport that lasts a life time.
- To provide a junior golf program at club level in a welcoming environment that is based around learning, development, fun and participation.
- To lay the foundation for the development of future golf players and golf administrators.
- Promotes the development of Life Skills such as:
  - Leadership
  - Communication
  - Self-Management
- Promote and help instil values into juniors such as:
  - Honesty
  - Respect
  - Sportsmanship
  - Responsibility.

The program is aimed at young children prior to high school age. To view a short video on the program go to "www.murraydistrictgolf.com.au".

It would be appreciated if anyone who is interested could contact **Stuart Lowe (Phone: 6029 8743)** to register their interest or ask any questions. This is an exciting opportunity for our community but it does need the support and involvement of parents and children.