Sincere Sympathy
Our condolences to: Gail, Beverley and family on the passing of Neil von Schill. Mr Schill was a former Principal of Culcairn Public School. He was an inspiring leader who maintained a genuine concern and respect for the students, staff and community.

Walk to School Day
A reminder: that this Friday 23rd May is National Walk Safely to School Day. Parents can assist, where possible, by walking from home to school with your child or by walking with them to the school bus. If you have to drive to school, if possible, park the car a short distance away and walk the rest of the way. This is the 15th year of this important community event which aims to raise awareness of the health, road safety, transport and environmental benefits that regular walking can provide for the long term health of our children. All students will receive a sticker on the day.

NAPLAN
Congratulations to the Year 3 and Year 5 students who sat the NAPLAN assessments last week. Students demonstrated great maturity and concentration. Parents of Year 3 and Year 5 students will receive the results of these tests in September.

SRPSSA Cross Country
Good luck to those students involved in the SRPSSA Cross Country at Jindera next Tuesday 27th May. Please complete the permission note and return it to the school as soon as possible. As always I am sure they will do our school proud by doing their best and demonstrating good sportsmanship.

Collection of Data – Students with a Disability
Our school is participating in the collection of nationally consistent data on school students with a disability. This data is aimed at helping the Federal Government plan for students with a disability. No student or school will be identified in any of the data collected. A note and flyer will be accompanying this newsletter today. If you do not want your children to be counted in the data collection, please complete the attached form and return it to the school before the end of the term. Further information about the data collection can be found on the Australian Government Department of Education website: http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability/

Sick Students
As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It’s often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety’s sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice. School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser www.bit.ly/1hytn2E.

Yours in Education
Craig Allibon
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Dates to Remember

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National Walk Safely To School Day

Tuesday 27th May
SRPSSA Cross Country

Wednesday 28th May
GRIP Leadership Conference

Thursday 29th May
Debating Competition – Round 2

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If you did not receive your note please come to the office.

Boys’ Club & Girls invited!

For primary aged boys and girls! (Dads and Mums are welcome)
Saturday May 24th
at 88 Munro St, Culcairn
Time: 2 - 4.30pm

Wood building, afternoon tea, activities, Go cart riding.

Bring: clothing that can get dirty.

Contact Wayne on 0427293758
Or Matt on 0427296114

HOME REMEDY FOR HEAD LICE!!

Head lice becomes a continual problem this time of year….

Coconut Oil and Apple Cider Vinegar:
Coconut Oil dissolves the lice’s outer skeletal shell instantly. Apply the oil thoroughly to the hair and comb with a nit comb and then rinse with vinegar. No nasty chemicals! Add a second rinse with the vinegar and comb through again with a nit comb. Repeat as necessary.

REMEMBER

School banking for the Commonwealth Bank and Hume Building Society is done on Monday.
Class K-1

This Friday is National Walk Safely to School Day, we hope lots of students will walk to school or walk to the bus stop. This term we are reviewing the fundamental skills of static balance and vertical jump and beginning sprint run. All K-1 students are enjoying the Reading Eggs program on the computer.

Class 1-2

Well done to all students who delivered their speeches last week. Public speaking can be a nerve-wracking experience and all students should be proud of their efforts. Congratulations to Isabelle Parsons and Tyler Watson on reaching 25 marbles. Enjoy your well-earned prizes. The Premier’s Sporting Challenge begins next week. Students are encouraged to increase their level of physical activity for the next 10 weeks. Students will record their efforts and receive a certificate outlining their achievements. Students who did not complete their homework will be given additional tasks to do in their own time today. Please encourage your child to complete nightly homework tasks to help consolidate learning in class.

Class 3-4

This week we are continuing to write our speeches. They will be written in class and can be added to or changed at home if desired. All students have thought about a favourite place they like to go to, visit or make-believe in. All students will present their speech in class on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next week and a few will be chosen to present them at Assembly on Thursday. Mitchell, Matisse, Madeline, Isabella and Ruby were successful in making onto the SRPSSA Cross Country Carnival - congratulations! Keep up the good effort with homework everyone.

Class 4-5

Well done to all the Year 5 students who participated in NAPLAN last week. Students have been given their public speaking topic, which is “My favourite sports person/team or sport”. Year 4 are required to speak for 2 minutes and Year 5, 2 minutes and 30 seconds. Students have been busy working on their digital narratives in class. Home learning will return to normal this week. Can students please return their green SRPSSA Athletics and Cross Country notes to Miss Taylor as soon as possible. Have a good week.

Class 6

We see our first transition afternoon for some of our Year 6 students this week. Mrs Quilter and I will be going to Billabong High School with those involved on Wednesday from 2:00pm. Thank you to those students who continued to be fantastic role models for others, remaining focused on their learning and setting a great example in the classroom and playground. Well done! Details on how students will be assessed for the public speaking competition went home with students yesterday. Year 6 will be presenting their speeches in class in Week 8. The top three will then present their speeches at assembly in Week 9. Don’t forget students need to be bringing in their own classroom resources.
Netball Knockout Team
Well done to the Year 6 Netball Knockout team who competed against Henty Public School on Friday. It was a terrific game to watch and umpire. The scores were level at half time (8 – 8). Unfortunately Henty were better on the day, winning 22 – 10. A fantastic effort and great sportsmanship was shown by all. Thank you to Mrs Young for helping transport the girls to Henty.

SRPSSA Cross Country
Notes for the Southern Riverina Cross Country Carnival on Tuesday 27th May (next week) were sent home yesterday. To minimise costs, we are seeking at least 5 parents to drive students to the carnival. If you are available to take students to the Jindera Golf Course, please return the note to Miss Taylor ASAP. If transport is not available, we will have to book a bus at a cost of $12.00 per student.

SRPSSA Athletics Carnival
Notes have been sent home for the Southern Riverina Athletics Carnival on Thursday 5th June. Please return notes and money as soon as possible.

Premiers Sporting Challenge
The Premiers Sporting Challenge begins this week and will continue until the end of Week 5 of Term 3. Students need to complete at least 30 minutes of physical activity daily to receive an award.

Walk Safely to School Day
Well it’s that time of year again when our school seriously starts talking about walking! Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn’t realistic for many of us, it’s quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family’s daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:
- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Remember, Active Kids are Healthy Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 23 May 2014!

For more information, visit www.walk.com.au
The Murray District 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 MDGA has approached Culcairn Golf Club to have discussions with them and Holbrook Golf Club to see whether the two towns can either sustain a program in their own right or by amalgamating the two towns and rotating between them.

The My Golf 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.

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. It is envisaged that the Beginners Program would run for one hour on a Saturday morning with a "Come and Try" day probably in early September 2014.

Culcairn Golf Club intends to participate in discussions with MDGA and Holbrook Golf Club, however we need to know what interest there is from children and parents to participate in this program. To run the program we would need volunteers to help out as well as some Golf Club members. Note that parents or friends do not have to be golfers to assist in this Program. Any parents interested would be very welcome to attend the meeting with the MDGA and Club members.

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.