Upcoming Events

Wednesday 16th December
Last Day Term 4 2015

Thursday 17th December
Staff on site until 12:30pm

Wednesday 27th January
Staff return to school Term 1

Thursday 28th January
Years 1 - 6 return to school
Kinder Best Start Assessments

Friday 29th January
Kinder Best Start Assessments

Monday 1st February
Kinder commence school

Friday 5th February
Lunch orders resume

Accolades and Achievements
Thank you to all the students, parents and friends who attended our Celebration of Learning last Wednesday evening. I know how difficult it is to attend events at this busy time of year, thank you to all who did. The staff and students thoroughly enjoyed the evening. Congratulations to all our award recipients. A big thank you to our school Captains and Vice Captains, who all did a great job as master of ceremonies. Thank you also to all the businesses and individuals that generously sponsored our awards. Good luck to all our Year 6 students as they move on to high school next year.

Generosity of Spirit
A sincere thank you to everyone who sent in items for our Christmas Hampers. We had a good response, which enabled us to make 4 hampers. These will be distributed to families this week.

2015 Comes to an End
A reminder that this Wednesday 16th December is the last day of 2015 for students. Staff will be involved in a Staff Development morning on Thursday 17th December.

Looking Forward to 2016
Students in Years 1 to 6 will begin school for 2016 on Thursday 28th January. Students commencing Kindergarten will be involved in Best Start Assessments on Thursday 28th and Friday 29th January and will not begin school until Monday 1st February. Staff will return to work for a Staff Development Day on Wednesday 27th January.

Some Familiar, Some New
Teaching staff for 2016 will be:
K-1 Mrs Pam Leov 1-2 Miss Kate Taylor 2-3 Mr Tim Shoard
4-5 Mr Nick Shelley 5-6 Miss Kristy Phillips

Learning and Support Teacher Mrs Cara Geddes (2 days per week)
We thank Mr Jesse Kent and Mrs Hetty O’Brien for all their efforts. Mr Kent is going overseas and we wish him well. Mrs O’Brien will continue on a casual basis. Mr Nick Shelley is moving from Howlong Public School where he has worked this year.

Buone Feste Natalizie, Joyeux Noël, Merry Christmas
I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy and safe 2016. I look forward to seeing everyone refreshed at the end of January 2016. Thank you to everyone who assisted at school in any way this year. We look forward to your continued involvement in our school next year.

Yours in Education
Craig Allibon
PRINCIPAL
School Sport 2015
We would like to thank all parents and helpers that assisted in any capacity throughout the year at our sporting events. Without your assistance our students would not have the opportunities to compete in such a wide range of sports. We had some great achievements, both individually and as a team, that were recognised at our Celebration of Learning. I hope to see you all back next year as Term 1 can be one of our busiest terms for sport. Have a great holiday.

Tennis Clinics
Holiday tennis clinics will run by Kate Hargreaves “Get A Grip on Tennis” in December & January. For more information contact Kate on 0418 572 626.

P&C This n That
Thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas Raffle. Congratulations to the lucky winners......
1st Prize...................Joyce Lee
2nd Prize...............Rebecca Stanford
3rd Prize...............Pam Leov
4th Prize...............Liv Mitchell
5th Prize...............Keri ? (6029 8484)
6th Prize...............Brian Watson
7th Prize...............Vincent Cheng

Unfortunately we have not been able to contact our 5th Prize winner. If you recognise the name and phone number could you please let them know there is a lovely prize waiting to be collected before Thursday 17th December.

A merry Christmas and happy New Year to all our families.

Uniform Shop
Cheryl and Mark Webster will open the uniform shop on Wednesday 27th January 2016 from 9:00am until 10:30am for any family wanting to purchase uniforms.

Carols by Candlelight
The annual Culcairn town Carols by Candlelight will be held on Saturday December 19th at Jubilee Park (near the Culcairn Bowling Club).

Culcairn Public School students will present an item, singing a song on the night - Jingle Bell Rock.

Practice for any students interested began last week.

Notes sent home recently

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

Congratulations to the K-1 students who achieved Gold and attended the excursion yesterday. It sounds like it was a fantastic day. As another school year ends, K-1 would like to wish everyone a merry Christmas and a safe holiday. Next year students in Years 1 - 6 return to school on Thursday 28th January.

Class 1-2

With the year coming to an end I wanted to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas. Thank you to the many parents and guardians who have assisted in the Class 1-2 room this year and to the helpers who have assisted with sporting events. Your help is greatly appreciated. I look forward to returning to Class 1-2 in 2016. Enjoy the holidays with your family and friends.

Class 3

Congratulations to all the students who received awards last week at our celebration of learning. Class 3 did a great job presenting their artworks at the Gold Assembly last week. All the children put in a huge effort preparing for two assembly items in the same week, and were rewarded on Friday with our class party. We have had a very busy year and all the students should be proud of their efforts. I look forward to seeing everyone after the holidays, have a safe and fun break.

Class 4-5

This year has flown by! I would just like to thank all the students, parents and community for an excellent year of learning in Class 4-5. We have been privileged to be involved in a range of different learning activities throughout the year. It has been a great year in Class 4-5 and I have thoroughly enjoyed it. Thank you to the students and parents who provided a great spread of food for our class party on Friday, the students really enjoyed it! Well done to those students who made Gold this year and I hope you enjoyed the excursion yesterday. I hope that you have all had a chance to read and discuss your child’s report. If you have any enquiries please feel free to contact me. Congratulations to all the students who attended our Celebration of Learning and to all the students who received awards for academic and sporting achievements. I wish everyone a happy and safe Christmas and New Year, enjoy the break!

Class 5-6

Well done to all of the students that received their Gold Certificates last week. This is a great representation of the commitment to learning and good behaviour of the students in our class. A HUGE thank you to Greta Mackinlay, Faith Pyers, Chelsea Cronin and Faith Smith from Billabong High School. These girls choreographed and taught our Year 6 students their dance for this year, doing an amazing job in both the choreography and also the teaching of the dance. Well done girls! Have a safe and happy Christmas and we will see you in the new year.

Students in Years 1 - 6 return to school on Thursday 28th January 2016
COOL SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AT LAVINGTON LIBRARY

When: Monday 4 January 2016 - Friday 22 January 2016
Where: Lavington Library, Northpoint Tower, Griffith Road, Lavington
Price: Free
Bookings: 02 6043 5645

WAVY WHISPERY JELLYFISH
Tuesday 5 January, 2.30pm - 3.30pm
Using ribbon and lace, shimmery paint and paper bowls, imagine-up your own wonderful jellyfish. Transform any space into a mysterious underwater world with these beautiful creatures.

TOTE BAG
Thursday 7 January, 2.30pm - 3.30pm
Make your own library bag with your own cool, crazy design using paint, glitter, buttons and much more.

SSSSSNAKES ALIVE!
Tuesday 12 January, 2.30pm - 3.30pm
Fashion a mythical snake creature by upcycling! This crafty activity transforms men's neck ties into gorgeous snakes for epic adventures. How much character can you create using fabric, felt, buttons and glue?

FOSSIL FUN
Wednesday 13 January, 10.30 – 11.30am
Come on a quest to discover the world of fossils, dinosaurs and more.

ROPE NINJAS
Thursday 14 January, 2.30pm -3.30pm
How are your ninja skills? Can you secretly twist yarn and deftly wrap wool? Using two pieces of rope, some elegant knots and an array of fibres, you can construct your own ninja figure. Make two and have a pair of ninja champions to enliven your adventures this Summer.

WHAT'S WITH THE WEATHER?
Tuesday 19 January, 2.30pm - 3.30pm
The weather affects us all. Do I need an umbrella or some sunscreen today? Learn lots of fun facts with some great science experiments.

SCRAPBOOKING
Thursday 21 January, 2.30pm - 3.30pm
Enjoy making crafts and taking photos? Bring a couple of your favourite pictures along to our scrap-booking session and make a special keepsake to take home.

ROPE NINJAS

MOTOCROSS ENDOuro
Monday 18 – Saturday 23 January, 10.00am -11.00am
Join the fun and test your rally driving skills on the PlayStation. Races will be run every morning and the winners from each day will race off for the Championship to be held on Saturday 23 January.

KNOCK KNOCK, WHO'S THERE?
LibraryMuseum and Lavington Library
Join your friends around the kitchen table for a cuppa, hang out the washing, or cook up a storm. This drop-in activity runs during the holidays for little people who like to create their own play.

SCIENCE QUEST
LibraryMuseum and Lavington Library
Lots of fun facts to learn and activities to do at the Science Quest table. Just like the world around us these activities will change all the time!

MAMA's Art Camps for 5 to 8 year olds
When: January 5, 7, 12, 14 and 19, 10.00am - 4.00pm.
Where: MAMA, 546 Dean Street, Albury
Price: $50 per child each day, all materials and catering provided. Maximum 12 per class.
These especially tailored all-day art programs for children aged 5 to 8 are designed to provide a comprehensive art experience for children that are 'too old to be with mum' but 'too young to stay at home.' Activities will include age specific art workshops, kids tours of exhibitions in MAMA and the LibraryMuseum's Questacon and outdoor play in QEII Square.

MAMA'S ART CAMPS FOR 8 TO 12 YEAR OLDS
When: January 6, 8, 13, 15 and 20, 10.00am - 4.00pm.
Where: MAMA, 546 Dean Street, Albury
Price: $50 per child each day, all materials and catering provided. Maximum 12 per class.
These especially tailored all-day art programs for children aged 8 to 12 are designed to provide a comprehensive art experience for children that are 'too old to be with mum' but 'too young to stay at home.' Activities will include age specific art workshops, kids tours of exhibitions in MAMA and the LibraryMuseum's Questacon and outdoor play in QEII Square.