RIDE 2 SCHOOL

What a way to start the day - RIDE TO SCHOOL
Thank you to all the parents who supported and assisted our students experience riding to school.
It was a lovely way to start the day off with a ride, everyone was compliant and had fun.
The BBQ breakfast, thanks to Mrs Chapman, was delicious and fulfilling.

WHO IS PHIL KETTLE?

Ask your child, or open a BOYS RULES book and you'll discover who he is.
Did your child enjoy themselves on Wednesday at Kapooka Public School?
The feedback I am getting from the students is yes, from experiencing a bus trip to meeting up
with their leadership team. By joining stage groups they experienced English lessons from a
variety of teachers. As well as these lessons they were introduced to a real author who spent
quality time with each group talking about writing and publishing books.
One comment, from a student, "I might even be an author when I can."

HOW 2 LEARN

Hero's of the week......

K-1 Malachy Roberts - making links and capitalising in his learning.
2-3 Zoe Willis - for excellent effort in writing.
4-6 Abby Clarke - Always giving her best effort in all aspects of learning.
AFL Report

Last week, Ladysmith PS had two boys represent at the Wagga Wagga PSSA AFL trials at Anderson Oval. Blake and Lachlan were put through some skills tests and then played a 4 quarter game to trial for the Eastern Riverina trials to be held at Coolamon. Both boys tried their hardest and showed great sportsmanship. Unfortunately, both boys weren't selected for the next trials but should be better for the experience. The trials were Blake's 3rd time attending so he should be congratulated on his efforts. Lachlan has trialed twice now and should also be congratulated.

Netball

Today Abby and Charlili will be attending the PSSA netball trials, we wish them all the best and look forward to hearing the results.

Albury Swimming Carnival

On Monday Charlili, Jeni, Alex and Adelaide competed in Albury at the Riverina Swimming Carnival. They all participated very well and we are proud of their achievements. The PPS relay did a personal best time 3.15mins.

QUIZ

Send your answer in by email, on a piece of paper, or leave a message on the phone. Everyone who gets the correct answer will go in the draw for a prize!!!!!

K/1's question

What town are you visiting next week on your excursion?

2/3's question

What gets wetter as it dries?

4/5/6's question

How can you throw a ball and make it come back to you without it touching anything or having anything attached to it?

Adult's question

Can you name three consecutive days without using the words Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday?

Send your answers in to be in the draw. There will be a new quiz each week.

Last weeks Winners

K/1 – Indiana Cole
2/3 – Zoe Willis
4/5/6 – Charlie Murphy
Adults – Mr & Mrs Muller

CHAPLAIN Appointed

On Tuesday the P&C president, Lisa Eady, and Ms Sturman interviewed the applicants for the Chaplaincy position at out school. The successful applicant Jeremy Polkinghorne will be starting in the position on Tuesday 22nd March. Jeremy will be at our school Tuesday and Thursday each week. This position is a support role within the school; it covers social programs, behaviour programs, additional assistance for students who may need it in the playground or whenever a situation arises which requires extra support. Once Jeremy starts we will introduce him to you all.
**WWSS Cross Country**

Wagga Wagga Small Schools Cross Country will be held on the last day of term, **Friday 8th April**. Information regarding lunch orders can now be found on the app for pre-ordering. These orders need to be in by **24th March 2016**.

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**K-1 News**

**Dress-up Box**

K/1 are creating their own dress-up box and would love the donation of any pre-loved items of clothing for it. Items could be: hats, jackets, scarves, ties, dresses, jewellery etc.

**Craft Items**

We would love to receive any donations of craft items for art and craft activities. Items could include things such as: bits of ribbon, lace, wool, materials, buttons, goggle eyes, sequins or feathers.

**Pizza Boxes**

We are also still collecting Pizza boxes. So if your family are pizza lovers, please remember us when disposing of your pizza boxes.

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**Taster Day Wagga Wagga High School**

Year 6 students who would like to attend the taster day at Wagga Wagga High school, you will need to be in the:

- **31st March 2016**
- **WWHS Amphitheatre**
- **By 1.15pm**

The day will conclude at 2.45pm. Transport to and from this event is parent responsibility.

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**More persuasive texts**

16/2/16

Dear Ms Sturman,

Can you please let us bring electronics to school? I think remote control cars would be good to use in maths.

Ms Sturman you are pretty!!

Ms Sturman you should let us bring remote control cars.

From Cyron

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**Do you know how much music increases a child’s ability to learn?**

Research indicates the brain of a musician, even a young one, works differently than that of a non-musician. “There’s some good neuroscience research that children involved in music have larger growth of neural activity than people not in music training. When you’re a musician and you’re playing an instrument, you have to be using more of your brain,” says Dr. Eric Rasmussen.

Here you see our primary students learning choir with Julie, and using more of their brain.
**Quiz Worx**

On March 14th Quiz Worx will be coming to our school to present a puppet show at 2pm. This show has singing, dancing and a Christian side to it. There is no cost involved so we will offer this to all students. IF YOU DO NOT WISH your child to attend please notify the school before 13th March 2016. Please go online and see what they have to offer if you require more information. Otherwise please contact Ms Sturman. Thank you, this will be a fun half hour activity offered free to all students.

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**P&C NEWS**

The P&C AGM will be held

**TONIGHT**

**Wednesday 9th March at 6.30pm**

with the regular P&C meeting to follow afterward.

Please contact Lisa Eady or Ms Sturman with nominations for positions.

Thank you

Lisa

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**RED/LOOK Books will come home Friday**

Students have been completing all their learning in a special book this last week, this is coming home on Friday... please read this with your child, discuss what has been happening with their learning.

Then the book needs to be returned by **Friday 18th March**, as it will be used as a record of learning as well as used again in Week 10 so it can be sent home again.

Enjoy this opportunity for your child to share their learning with you, if you find any anomalies please contact their classroom teacher and have a chat.

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**Reminder to Yr 6**

Please don’t forget to bring in an Easter Egg for the Easter Raffle. You kind donation will be greatly appreciated.

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**EASTER RAFFLE**

Charli and Alex are organising an Easter Raffle in order to raise money for the children’s charity-Variety. Year 6 students have been asked to kindly donate an Easter egg for the raffle prizes.

Tickets books will go home to families next week. **Tickets are 3 for $2.00 with each book total a value of $10.** Please return money and raffle tickets (sold or unsold) to the school by Wednesday 23rd March. **Prizes will be drawn Thursday 24th March.**
We will celebrate Harmony Day this year with this quote in mind……..

“Happiness is when what you think, what you say & what you do are in harmony.”
~ Gandhi
Harmony Day 2019 on March 21!

By bringing happiness to school, we will be practicing saying happy things and together showing we care for each other.

To show we are in harmony we’d like to have a communal lunch of diverse foods.

If you are able to, please send in some type of diverse food that we will place on a communal table for lunch so everyone can join in.

Please return the below slip to the school asap. Thank you.

Parents and community members welcome to join us for this event.

Please come dressed in happiness clothes, gold coin donation will go to a community that may not live in happiness?

Monday 21st March

Please indicate if you are able to send / bring in some sharing lunch items.

We are happy to join in the Harmony Day communal lunch, and we will send in some sharing food items.

Name: ____________________________________________
National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2016

LETTER TO PARENTS

In May 2016 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs: Parents will receive a report indicating their child’s level of achievement. Each student’s level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Student background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student’s right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 10-12 May 2016.

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In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

Friday 13 May – A ‘catch-up’ day is scheduled for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if they:

- are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student’s normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, Braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students.

Access to disability adjustments or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the school principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child’s participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at [www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html](http://www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html).
K/1 Excursion to Junee

Date: Thursday, 17th March

Departure from School: approx. 9.30am

Return to School: approx. 2.45pm

Mode of Travel: private transport

Cost: $20.00 per student (includes lunch at Liquorice Factory)

Itinerary:

*Morning tea at Park in Junee, students are to bring recess and drink with them.

*10.30 – tour of Monte Cristo Homestead

*11.30 – making freckles at Liquorice Factory

*12.00 – lunch at Liquorice Factory

*1.00 – tour of Broadway Museum at Junee

*2.00 – return to Ladysmith

This excursion is part of K/1’s History learning experience. They will be looking at how people lived and worked in the past and at lots of amazing artefacts which have been collected by both Monte Cristo and Broadway Museum. Most of these artefacts tell us about how families lived and worked in the past.

We are using private transport to keep costs to the minimum and the drivers will be:

Miss Cutler, Mrs Clarke and Ms Scanlan.

If your child requires a booster seat, please supply on the morning of the excursion.

Please complete the attached permission note and return to the school along with the money by Monday, 14th March.

Thank you.
Margaret Cutler

Junee Excursion

I give my child permission to travel by private transport to Junee on Thursday, 17th March for a tour of Monte Cristo, Broadway Museum and lunch at The Liquorice Factory. I enclose $20.00 being for the cost of entry into venues and lunch for my child.

Signed

Date