NSW Rural Fire Service Cadet Program

Last Thursday an excited group of students started the NSW Rural Fire Service Cadet program. This program runs every Thursday during Sport for this term. Students will participate in interesting and challenging training that provides practical life skills, develop leadership, teamwork and initiative skills and foster qualities of community responsibility and service. The aim of this program is to develop an interest in the NSW Rural Fire Service and its traditions, provide cadets with a knowledge of fire safety and preparedness, provide training that will contribute to NSW Rural Fire Service Fire Fighter and Officer training, develop qualities of leadership, self-discipline, self-reliance, initiative and team work.

P & C Mother’s Day Stall

On Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th May, the P & C will be holding their Mother’s Day stall. With loads of pretty things available you are sure to find something for your dear Mum!

All primary classes will be taken over in the morning to choose out a little gift. If you’d like your child to buy something, send a little money in with them on the day.

All gifts are under $5. Happy Mother’s Day!
PRINCIPAL’S PERSPECTIVES

As predicted, the term started last week with a flying start. Our school leaders did an excellent job leading our ANZAC assembly, the NSW Rural Fire Service Cadetship program got off to an active start and U15s AFL trials were held in Narrandera. Harrison Soraggi and Jack Gervasi represented BCS at the Riverina U15s AFL trials. Harrison made it to the Possible v Probables game, but unfortunately he didn’t make it into the Riverina Squad.

This coming week is no different.

Our best wishes go to those girls trying out for the Riverina netball team on Monday. On Tuesday, we welcome to our school members of the Yarkuwa Centre and especially, Kevin Kropinyeri, a comedian and mentor, who will lead workshops for all our indigenous students on leadership.

Tuesday afternoon, the school will be holding its annual cross country carnival. Parents and friends are very welcome to join us at the school farm to encourage all runners. Most of secondary will walk to the school farm; primary students will have their lunch 20 minutes early and then will be transported by the school bus. The carnival will start at approximately 1.30pm.

The P&C are once again running their Mother’s Day stalls on Wednesday and Thursday this week. Huge thanks to all those who help to make this happen each year in the school.

For teachers and parents to consider: "Do not train children to learning by force and harshness, but direct them to it by what amuses their minds, so that you may be better able to discover with accuracy the peculiar bent of the genius of each." PLATO

Mother’s Day Classic Breast Cancer Research Fundraiser

“Line Up for a Cure”

Mungo v Yanga

Collect your 5c pieces over the next week and on Monday, 12th May, 2014 we will line up all 5c pieces to see which house has raised the most money for breast cancer research.

All money donated to the Mother’s Day Classic
Primary Ponderings

We have had a great start to the term with all students returning refreshed ready to continue their learning journey. Last week Mr Scott travelled to Deniliquin for Reading Recovery training and Mrs Lockhart and Mrs Harper attended an English Syllabus in-service in Yenda.

Football Clinic
Today we took a bus load of students to Swan Hill to attend the AFL Community Football clinic with players in attendance from Collingwood Football Club. We will have a report from some students and hopefully a few photos as well to publish in next week’s Newsletter.

CPR
As part of PDHPE Mrs Stevens has implemented a program that will run for the whole term teaching our students about Resuscitation. Students will receive a Junior Resuscitation Certificate at the end of the program along with an understanding of the importance of CPR.

Year 5/6 Art Excursion
Students from Year 5/6 will be participating in an excursion to Mrs Stevens place on Friday, 9 May 2014. This excursion will be based around metal art in indoor and outdoor areas. Students will be able to form ideas to design a piece of metal art within their own gardens.

School Jumpers
With the advent of colder mornings I would like to remind parents to make sure their students clothing, particularly their school jumper, has their name clearly marked. When the days warm up, students take their jumpers off during the day and on occasion leave them in the playground. A name clearly marked enables us to return them to their rightful owner.

Year 5/6
Year 5/6 has recently begun art classes with Miss Woods on Friday mornings. During this time they have been learning about the artwork ‘Starry Night’ by Vincent Van Gogh. They have learnt about Van Gogh’s painting techniques of using broken colour and bright colours, creating their own ‘Starry Night’ using chalk pastels on black A3 paper.
ICAS

Don’t forget to put in your entry form for the 2014 ICAS assessments. This is a great opportunity for students to experience test conditions with every student receiving a certificate.

Years 2-12 are able to enter the Science, English and Mathematics Competitions, Years 3-7 are able to enter the Spelling Competition, Years 3-12 are able to enter the Writing Competition and Years 3-10 are able to enter the Computer Skills Competition. The sitting dates are marked on the calendar in the newsletter.

The entry fee per student is as follows:

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Please tick choices to be entered:

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- [ ] ALL of the above ($60.00)

Total enclosed $___________

Parent Signature: _____________________

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2014 NSW Mining Scholarship

Congratulations to Bailey Brougham for gaining the 2014 NSW Mining Scholarship.

This scholarship is to the value of $500 and is to be used towards his studies. It has been sponsored by Iluka. Bailey is only one of 26 students across NSW to receive this scholarship. Congratulations Bailey.

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Mother’s Day Classic

Greenham Park
Sunday, 11th May
9.30am Registration
10.30am Start
4km walk

BBQ lunch by Lions Club available

Balloons – Raffles – Field of flowers – Children’s activities

All proceeds to Breast Cancer Research
Contact Fiona Scott 0437 206 901

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Students of the Week

For Week 2 Term 2, 2014

Year K/1/2 Leo Gaston
Year 3/4 Charlie Ross
Year 5/6 Sarah Grant
ICPA BALRANALD BRANCH PRESENTS

"THE HATFIELD HAPPENING"

CALLING ALL LADIES

Hatfield Hall 9.30am Thursday 29th May 2014

$10 ICPA members
$15 non-members
Includes morning tea, lunch and
Afternoon tea

Subsidised Child Care with
Broken Hill Outback Mobile Resources
Bus from Balranald available
Bookings for Bus and Child Care Essential: Phone Claire Butler 03 50206871

GREAT LOCAL STALLS  GREAT SPEAKERS  GREAT COMPANY  GREAT FOOD

Biggest Cuppa/Morning Tea (gold coin donation to Cancer Council)

PRESENTING ROBYN MOORE

Rural Background: Robyn’s Father was a stockman, drover, shearer, shearsers’ chef and a wool borer. She grew up on sheep and cattle farms/stations in Tasmania, Victoria, NSW and North Queensland (as far north as Torrens Creek!) She started Correspondence School at age 4 and Imaginative play in the isolation of the outback, her affinity with the “wireless” and a love of communication, prepared her for her career to come. On rural radio stations, Robyn has been entertaining millions of Australians for 26 years in the longest running syndicated comedy “How Green Was My Cactus”, shared health tips with the “Marry Me” Dr James Wright and on TV her voice has also enchanted millions of children in animation series that are loved by Australian children and seen in 70 countries...including "Blinky Bill"

KEYNOTE SPEAKER PROUDLY SPONSORED BY:
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**Italic: K-Yr 6  Normal: Yr 7-12  Bold: K-Yr 12**

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### Canteen Corner

**MENU for Term 2 attached to this Newsletter**

**Chilly Day? Chances are we have a pot of delicious homemade Soup bubbling on the stove!!**

**Thursday 8th May**

**Hearty Pasta Bolognese $4.50**

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* It would be very much appreciated if all lunch orders could be written on BROWN PAPER LUNCH BAGS ...in an emergency at least on paper please, **no plastic!**

* One bag per student * Please clearly write Year Level (but we do also love all the wonderful artwork on bags from talented little students!!)

* Volunteer needed Wednesday and Friday 10.30-12pm. Please text Wyneta 0428 177 730