Last Friday's Whole School Assembly

Congratulations to Mrs Liddicoat and her 2/3/4 class for conducting an excellent assembly last Friday. It was fantastic. Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who came along. Everyone I spoke to commented on how much they were touched by the moving power point about how much we love and value our grandparents.

The students sang a beautiful song about grandparents and shared touching stories about what grandparents mean to them and why they love their grandparents.

Kindergarten performed brilliantly in their debut, first ever assembly item.

It was so heart warming and encouraging to feel this love and appreciation for our grandparents. We really enjoy having visitors coming along to our assemblies to support, share and celebrate our student performances and successes.

Congratulations to all our award winners who have worked really hard at school and received our special mid term assembly awards.

Our next school/parent function will be our Easter Hat Parade.

Parent/Student/Conferences

Great to see so many parents already coming in for these very important conferences.

If you haven't made a time to meet with your child's class teacher please do. I am expecting 100% attendance by you all. We are very happy to adjust our times to meet your family needs. Please let me

Up Coming Events

- Friday, 15th March - Swimming for Sport K-6
- Monday, 25th March - Young Leaders Day - Sydney
- Thursday, 28th March - Easter Hat Parade - 2.00pm
- Tuesday, 9th April - Hemlock The Acrobat - 2.00pm

Canteen Roster

Wed. 13th March - Donna Brown & Cath Pollard
Wed. 20th March - Emily Barber & Sandy Taylor

IMPORTANT NOTES TO BE RETURNED THIS WEEK

- Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences

Please return this note to school as soon as possible

Student of the Month

David Taylor

For being a caring, cooperative member of the school and for always trying his best.
know if you are experiencing difficulties finding a suitable time to meet with your child's classroom teacher. Our term will hopefully conclude with a P&C family get together so that our school community can all get to know each other and have a fun family time together.

**Congratulations**

Congratulations to Fletcher Ryan for being chosen in the Southern Inland Rugby Union Under 12s side. Well done Fletcher.

**Riverina Swimming Carnival**

Congratulations to Sam Flood for making the Riverina Swimming team to compete in Sydney. Congratulations to Lucinda and Cody for representing the School at Albury and performing very well in their races. Thank you to the parents for driving their children to Albury and supporting the PSSA swimming competition.

**PSSA Fundraiser**

Thank you to the students who dressed up on Friday and the parents who supported the initiative to help raise money for new PSSA shirts. We are aware there were quite a few children away on the day so it is not too late for those students to donate if they would like to.

**Positive Behaviour For Learning**

This was a whole school initiative we committed to last year. The purpose of this initiative is to improve and update our behaviour management procedures. Last year we surveyed all our students, teachers and parents and we all agreed that the most popular and important values we shared were:

- **RESPECT**
- **RESPONSIBILITY**
- **CO-OPERATION**

As teachers we teach the behaviours we expect from our students at school. When the values at school match the values parents share at home, then our job as educators teaching and learning outcomes for our students will move forward.

In the classrooms our teachers have been teaching about these values as part of their PD (Personal Development Program) PD is part of our PDHPE Syllabus and is a mandatory Key Learning Area we teach in all NSW schools.

We all share the same goal. Teachers want to teach. Students want to learn. Parents send their children to school to learn.

We can only learn in an environment where:

- there is respect for ourselves, each other and our environment.
- we take responsibility for our actions (and not blame others)
- we co-operate with each other at all levels because we all are entitled to a good education.

I will be keeping you up to date on our PBL process.

I hope we all have a great week.

Lucia Vernon
Principal

**Easter Hat Parade**

As you are well aware Easter is fast approaching and it is nearly time for us to have our special Easter Hat Parade

The Easter Hat parade will be held on **Thursday 28th March at 2pm.** Parents will be invited to have lunch with the children at 1pm. An Easter Egg Hunt will occur at 1:30pm followed by the Parade and then the announcement of the parade and Club Colouring in Competition. There will be **no BBQ** on the day and parents will need to bring their own lunch to school.

Students will be making their hats at school and are more than welcome to bring in their own decorations or a hat that they may like to decorate.

Parents are invited to help in the classroom when it is time to decorate.

Start thinking of ideas as the decorating will begin as early as next week!

**Guess the Easter Bunny’s Name**

*What is the bunny’s name?*

The student representative council will be holding a ‘guess the bunny’s name’ competition at recess for the weeks leading up to Easter. Students can buy a guess for 20c. The student who guesses the name is the winner of the bunny itself.

**Premier’s Reading Challenge**

This week recording sheets will be sent home for the Premier's Reading Challenge. Primary classes need to read 20 books, 15 from the PRC list and 5
of own choice. Infants need to read, or have read to them, 30 books, 25 from the PRC list and 5 free choice. Books need to be recorded online, either at home or at school. Please encourage your child to participate in this very worthwhile program.

**Hemlock The Acrobat**
On Tuesday, 9th April Hemlock The Acrobat will be performing at Goolgowi Public School. Hemlock is a 45 minute interactive circus show involving equilibrist (balancing) acts and acrobatic feats delivered with flair and showmanship. A question and answer session is integrated into the show to allow young people the chance to find out about life in the performing world. The cost will be about $5.50 per student. A permission note will be sent home next week.

**Garden Club**
Garden Club would like to thank Cheryl Robertson for her generous donation. Thank you.

**DrumMuster**
Drum Muster is held the third Thursday of every month. Bookings are essential. Please call Max Campbell on 6965 1354.

**Uniform Orders**
Uniform orders need to be back at school by **Friday, 15th March**. Please note that I will not be doing another order until the end of Term 2. If you would like to try uniforms on your child, please contact me.

**STUDENT AWARDS**

**Mid Term Awards**

**Miss Gordon**
- **Brezn Harrison** (Kindergarten) - for trying his best and applying himself to all areas of his learning.
- **David Taylor** (Year 1) - for consistent application in whole number activities.

**Mrs Liddicoat/Ms Maher**
- **Hayden Litchfield** (Year 2) - for consistently trying his hardest to do his best in all subject areas.
- **Tess Power** (Year 3) - for being a kind and considerate class member who always strives to do her best work.

**Mrs Robertson**
- **Jessi Knowles** (Year 4) - for making enormous improvements in Literacy and Numeracy and displaying a positive attitude towards her learning.

**Mrs Vernon**
- **Georgia Barber** (Year 5) - for always being focused, attentive and ready to learn.
- **Jack Nicholls** (Year 6) - for offering interesting and thoughtful contributions to class discussions.

**Mrs Star**
- **Ben Williment** (Library) - for great enthusiasm and enjoyment of books and library activities.
- **Hayden Litchfield** (Library) - for regular borrowing and pleasing interest in library and reading activities.
- **Jack Nicholls** (Library) - for reading a variety of books, reading regularly and developing a thirst for knowledge.
weekly spelling test.

Mrs Liddicoat/Ms Maher

- **Cody Headrick** - for always trying his best in all areas of School.
- **Simon Star** - for always working well during Mathematics.

Mrs Robertson

- **Khloe Favero** - for being a cooperative student.
- **Annie Brown** - for a great recount about her Canberra experience.

This was a great achievement and experience for these students. Cody swam in the 8 Year Boys 50m Freestyle and came 15th. Lucinda swam in the 50m Girls Butterfly and came 16th. Sam came 6th in the 50m Breaststroke, 8th in the 50m Backstroke, 11th in the 50m Butterfly, 3rd in the 50m Freestyle and 3rd in the 200m Individual Medley. He will now be representing Riverina in Sydney in the 10 year Boys 50m Freestyle and the 200m Individual Medley.

**School Sport**

The students enjoyed swimming for sport last Friday as it was a hot afternoon. A great end to the week after the assembly. There will be swimming this Friday for sport for all students in K-6. Please make sure your children bring their swimmers, swim shirt, towel, goggles and sunscreen on Friday.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**ICPA Bulb Drive**

Last week leaflets were sent home for the ICPA (Isolated Children's Parents' Association) bulb drive. This is our main fund raiser for the year and a great opportunity to brighten up the garden for spring.

Orders need to be returned to the school in a clearly marked envelope by **Thursday 21st March**. If you require more leaflets please contact Marg Star.

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**Reading Awards**

25 Nights - Lucinda Star

**SPORTS REPORT**

**Sport Fever**

It was great to see students participating in ‘Sport Fever’ to help raise money for new PSSA Shirts. A total of $31.00 was raised on the day.

**PSSA Tennis**

Last Monday Olivia Barber had the opportunity to participate in the trials for PSSA Tennis. Olivia played well but did not make it to the PSSA team.

**Riverina Swimming Carnival**

On Friday, 8th March three students, Sam Flood, Lucinda Star and Cody Headrick travelled to Albury to swim in the Riverina Swimming Carnival.

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**Goolgowi Golf**

**Working Bee**

for start of season.

**Saturday, 23rd March at 9.00am.**

Clean up around course and club hours. Greens to sanded, raked and oiled. Tee off markers and flags to be placed. Fairways to be mowed. There is plenty to do, all welcome.

**Golf Opening Day**

**Saturday, 6th April**

11.00am Hit Off

Ambrose Event

Sausage Sizzle after golf.

Ladies a salad please
**Golf News**

We need new members

Membership for 2013 $30.00

Juniors (High School) $15.00

President: Ray Christoff
Vice President: Floyd Sutcliffe
Secretary: Bev Furner
Captain: Geoff Elliot
Vice Captain: Terry Brown
Treasurer: Russell Campbell

**Swim Club News**

Swimming season is quickly coming to a close. This Friday 15th March is our last Point Score night for the season. Next Friday 22nd March will be Championship Night and Presentation Night will be on Friday 5th April.

Can everyone who has perpetual trophies please bring them back in to Swim Club this week or drop them at the school by Friday.

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**Carrathool Shire Council**

**Community Consultations**

Carrathool Shire Council is currently undertaking a series of community consultations as part of the review of the Delivery Plan 2012-16.

This will be an opportunity for you to share your thoughts and priorities for the future of the Shire and for Council to report back on progress against the plan to date.

**Meetings will be held at:**

Carrathool Hall
Thursday 14 March 2013 7.00 pm

Merriwagga Hall
Thursday 21 March 2013 3.00 pm

Hillston Ex-serviceman’s Club
Thursday 21 March 2013 7.00 pm

Please take this opportunity to contribute to the vision for your shire.

Enquiries can be directed to the Goolgowi Office 6965 1900

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**Goolgowi Scouts at RFS**

Saturday 23 February, 5 Goolgowi scouts went over to Hay RFS Control Centre . Jason Wall & Sean Barton gladly led scouts through activities.

Starting with a house fire demonstration showing the ingredients needed for fire & the pattern a fire takes , they learnt about fire extinguishers , fire pumps , how to roll hoses etc! They then used the different types of extinguishers & water to put out flame & learning benefits of each.

Scouts also enjoyed correct fitting PPE for this activity!

Scouts were explained about smoke & dangers in a house fire due to toxic fumes, importance of smoke detectors etc. They then got the experience of searching for bodies in a smoke filled room safely & also safe exiting if caught in a house fire !

After a debriefing & question times, the scouts travelled to the river in fire trucks for a sausage sizzle!!

A great fun & learning day, thank you Jason & Sean.

Skip.

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