Principal's Report

Staff Development Day

On Monday our staff were involved in the Northern Spirit Learning Community Staff Development Day. This day was a joint initiative between the schools of the Northern Spirit Learning Community and enabled all our staff to hear from high quality presenters. The three keynote presenters included:

- Dr Michael Carr-Gregg - one of Australia's highest profile psychologists and leading speakers. This presentation discussed the most up to date research on the psychological wellbeing of Australian school students and provides a blueprint for educators to build resilience and wellbeing drawing on the latest findings from positive psychology.
- Lindy Taylor from the Professional Learning and Leadership Development Directorate. This was an interactive workshop in which participants developed knowledge of what makes some people difficult to deal with. Participants practiced some techniques for managing difficult professional conversations, including managing themselves in a challenging interview.
- Dr Timothy Sharp – one of Australia’s leaders in the exciting new science of positive psychology and happiness. In his highly acclaimed keynote presentation, Dr Sharp outlined the powerful approach, based on the exciting new science of Positive Psychology, that he and his colleagues at The Happiness Institute have tried, tested and applied with literally thousands of individuals, teachers and hundreds of schools all over Australia.

Staffing

This term we have a number of staffing changes. These changes will have little impact on our classes and we are very fortunate to be able to welcome very capable teachers into these roles.

- Mrs Rhiannon Watson replaces Mr Scott as teacher of 3/4.
- Mrs Virginia Sykes returns to our school and will be providing library lessons for K-6 classes.
- Ms Tracey Unwin joins our staff as Release from Face to Face teacher. Tracey will be providing specialised lessons focusing on the new Science Syllabus.
- Mrs Pauline Allan joins Hume staff as our new School Counsellor. School Counsellors are very rare in the DEC at the moment and we are fortunate to have Pauline join our school to work with our students.

Education Week

Week 3 is Education Week. Please take note of the following dates and times:

- **Tuesday Hume Public Open Day**
  - 10:30am Open Classrooms
  - 11:00am Sausage Sizzle with children
- **Wednesday Northern Spirit Learning Community Showcase – Lavington Square.**
  - The Hume Public School Dance Troupe and Choir will perform at 10:40am in the Food Court.
- **Friday Assembly**
  - School Dance Troupe and Choir to perform for school
  - Student artwork will be on display all week at Lavington Centro.

NAIDOC Day

Hume will hold its 2014 NAIDOC Day on Wednesday, 23rd July. This year we are planning a day of cultural celebration and learning. The planned timetable will be confirmed in the coming week. We have many community members coming in to assist with the day and invite all parents to come along and join in the activities.

Next week I am taking some Long Service Leave and Mrs Liz Clark will be relieving as Principal during this time.

Russell Graham
On Monday staff engaged with the brilliant mind of Dr Michael Carr-Greg. He enlightened and entertained us for three hours. During his presentation it became very clear how important it is to teach our children skills that develop into learning habits. This philosophy is woven into How2 Learn. Our children need these habits to become 21st Century thinkers and learners. He talked about being Resilient. This is our How2Learn disposition this week. At Hume we have been managing our distractions. We have the ability to reduce interruptions during our learning.

Attention all Parents - Home Reading

At Hume we believe it is very important for children to read at least three times a day. You can assist us in this journey by reading with your child at night. We value this programme - All children have been supplied with a Home Reading Folder and Record Book. Please encourage your child to read but remember we hope to create independent learners who have the ability to put their Reading Folders in their bag each night.

We will also be creating a Readers Café in our School Library to encourage a quiet and beautiful spot for children to read. A photo of our Readers Café will be in the newsletter when the new furniture arrives.

Save The Date -

Learning Journeys
Our Term Three Learning Journeys will be on Wednesday 17th September at 9.00-11.00. Please put this date in to your diary because it is a wonderful opportunity to share learning with your child. We hope to have all parents attend the journey.

Countdown to Kinder
Our highly successful Countdown to Kinder program will begin again later this term. At this stage it is planned that the program will begin on Friday of Week 8. The fabulous Mrs Teagan Sawyer will again be running this program and is very excited about meeting and greeting our new students for 2015. Information notes will be delivered to the preschool and all of our community are asked to pass on the information to any friends or family who are considering Hume as the school for their child in 2015. Countdown to Kinder is always a highlight of Semester 2 and we are really excited to begin this program for our 2015 Kindergarten students.
**P & C SCHOOL DISCO**

Due to the continued wet weather work around the hall has been greatly delayed. With safety in mind the P&C have decided to again postpone the P&C disco that was planned for this Friday evening and will set a new date of **August 29th 2014.** Please contact the office if you require any further information.

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**Uniform Shop**

**Opening hours**

Monday—Friday 9.00am to 9.15am  
Thursday 2.45pm to 3.15pm  

Any enquiries please contact Kerri Brown  
Ph: 0487 647 138

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**P & C Meeting**

Monday 21st July @ 7.00pm  
in the staff room.  
Everyone welcome.

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**Melbourne Shopping Trip**

Hume Public School P & C is organising a shopping tour to Melbourne on 25th October 2014. The price is $85 per person and the price will drop once we have numbers confirmed. What do you get for this Price? Bus fare and private entry into warehouse outlets cheaper than store prices. A whole day shopping without children under the age of 16, lot’s of shops. Shops we will be visiting are toys, clothing, linen and lots more. We will be stopping at a shopping centre for a Buy Your Own lunch and dinner at a Pub. To reserve your seat a deposit of $45 per person non refundable is required by 9th April to the front office. Everyone Welcome

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**P & C**

"FATHERS DAY STALL"

We are currently seeking donations so please if parents can start donating that would be great.
BROADBAND FOR SENIORS
FREE INTERNET KIOSK

Learn more about using computers and the internet for free.
- Create your own email address,
- Connect with family and friends,
- Search for any subject of interest,
- Research your family history,
- Plus much, much more.

Sessions will run for 1 hour, with a maximum of 2 students.

You can bring your own laptop or tablet, or use the computers provided.

Sessions Available:
- Monday - PM
- Tuesday - AM & PM
- Thursday - PM

For more information or to book your session, please contact Eve Byatt on 02 6043 5875 or ybyatt@alburycity.nsw.gov.au

Broadband for Seniors is an Australian Government initiative to increase the skills of older Australians using computers and the internet.

Can Saver Plus assist you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to $500 for educational costs including:
- school uniforms and text books
- computers, laptops and tablets
- excursions and camps
- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
- music tuition and instrument hire.

You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner) and have a child at school or study yourself.

To find out more, call or SMS your name and postcode to 1300 610 355 or email saverplus@bsl.org.au

Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered in partnership with Mercy Street and other local community agencies. The program is jointly funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.

Woomera Aboriginal Corporation Albury - PaCE

Parents and Caregivers of school aged kids are invited to a ...

Christmas in July

Sit down for a two course feed and:
- Meet teachers from the local schools
- Hear about school programs
- Have any questions answered

When: Thursday 24th July
Where: Woomera Hub
Time: 12 noon – 1.30pm

To RSVP or for transport contact Felicity or Nekelta on: 6057 7405 or housing2@woomera.org.au

St Matthew’s Monster GARAGE Sale and
CAR BOOT Sale
at ADAMSHURST
603 David Street Albury

Saturday 2nd August
8 am - 12 pm

$20.00 per car, bring along your treasures and make some money

Payment must be made by Monday 28th July at St Matthew’s Office (next to the Church). Positions will be allocated, book early to secure a spot.

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Gold coin donation at the front gate towards St Matthew’s Homeless Appeal

COME ALONG AND FIND SOME GREAT BARGAINS

ESPRESSO COFFEE, BBQ, Plants, Homemade cakes, Vintage Clothing, Baby Items, Car Parts, Furniture, Bric-a-brac, Handmade Goodies, Books, Toys