Principal’s Report

Swimming Carnival
Good luck to all our swimmers attending the North Albury Swimming Centre tomorrow for our 2015 Hume Swimming Carnival. The weather looks great for a day of racing and cheering.

Athletics Carnival
This year we have decided to offer our students an opportunity to participate in an athletics carnival at a venue specifically designed for athletics. We would have preferred to have used the Albury venue however as this was being refurbished we were able to book the Wodonga Athletics Complex. All students K – 6 will be attending throughout the day and will enjoy running, throwing and jumping events. Students will be transported to the venue by bus and the school canteen will operate from its kiosk.

We understand that transport for families to attend may be an issue. If this is the case please see Mr Mansell to discuss the availability of seating on the student buses. There will be no cost for transport.

Learning Journeys – Save the Date
We are looking forward to the first Learning Journey of 2015 on Tuesday, 31st March from 9:00 -11am. It would be great for all our students to have someone come along and share in the learning that has taken place, to hear about what students have been doing in class and to provide them with an opportunity to put their learning into words. These journeys will also coincide with our Easter Hat Parade.

PLAN
During the next two weeks all classroom teachers have been allocated a day to enter data on all students against the Literacy and Numeracy Continuums. There are two separate continuums – one for Literacy and one for Numeracy. The Literacy/Numeracy continuums K–10 identify the literacy/numeracy skills and understandings regarded as critical to literacy/numeration success. It maps how critical aspects develop through the years of schooling by describing key markers of expected student achievement. The continuums focus on capturing the literacy or numeracy connections that are critical to success, are applicable to all key learning areas and cannot be left to chance. It has been informed by an extensive range of international and Australian studies, reports and research.

The continuums are a powerful tool which all teachers can use to strengthen their knowledge of literacy and numeracy and so deliver a quality program with a strong literacy/numeration focus to enhance learning opportunities for their students. In conjunction with the NSW syllabuses, the continuums assist teachers to integrate literacy/numeration into all key learning areas. It is important to note that the Literacy/Numeracy continuum K–10 do not replace syllabus documents and that teachers always report against syllabus outcomes, not the continuum markers. When used together with syllabus documents and other support materials such as the ESL Scales, the continuum assists teachers to deliver a quality program in every key learning area.

The continuum is a tool which can be used flexibly for a variety of purposes including to:
• track and monitor student progress in literacy/numeration through the aspects and across the years of schooling
• strengthen literacy/numeration in all KLAS by providing a shared understanding of literacy/numeration across subjects to inform modelled, guided and independent teaching
• communicate clear learning goals with students (and community) to make literacy/numeration learning more visible
• determine ‘where to next’ when planning teaching for whole classes, groups of learners and individual students and to assist when differentiating programs.

The Literacy and Numeracy continuums K–10 are available at:

ALBURY GOLD CUP HALF DAY- Friday 27 March has been gazetted as a Half Day Public Holiday for the Albury Gold Cup. As a result on Friday 27 March school will conclude at 12:00noon. Please make arrangements for your child to be picked up at this time. Please note, BUSES will be running on the morning ‘to school’ runs, BUT WILL NOT BE RUNNING AT 12:00 NOON TO TAKE STUDENTS HOME.

Russell Graham
PBL NEWS

Library News

As we are approaching the end of term could all Library books please be returned by Wednesday 1st April. The class who return all their books on time will win a class jar of jelly beans.

Thank you.
Mrs Watson

Merit Awards

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Fundamental Movement

Overarm throw

Skill components
1. Eyes focused on target area throughout the throw.
2. Shoulders aligned to target area.
3. Throwing arm moves in a downward and backward arc.
4. Steps towards target area with feet opposite throwing arm.
5. Hip then shoulders rotate forward.
6. Throwing arm follows through, down and across the body.

Teaching cues
Say to the student:
• Look at your target
• Point to the target (with your non-throwing arm)
• Stand set-up
• Step forward and throw
• Follow through, down and across your body with your throwing arm
• Swing your arm down and back as you prepare to throw
• Breathe, throw and follow through down and across your body.

LEARNING JOURNEYS K-6

You are invited to Learning Journeys on Tuesday 31st March at 9am-11am. All students have been busy learning this term and are looking forward to sharing their learning successes with you. We welcome all interested members: mums, dads, carers, grandparents and friends. It is an expectation that all students will share their learning with another person. We hope you can make it to our Student Led Conferences (Learning Journey).

K-2 students will have a Hat Parade at 9am at the start of their Learning Journeys. You are invited to see the parade and then join your child for their sharing.

Nicole Smith
Instructional Leader
**Book Club News**

We have had a great start to the year with our first two issues. Because of the amazing support from our students and families the school has been able to purchase over $300.00 this term in books and resources for our classrooms.

Thank you from all the staff

Lindy
Book Club Coordinator

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**2/3 Po**

This Term has been a busy one for 2/3 Po. Earlier in the Term we were fortunate enough to move into a new classroom which has been enjoyed immensely as the children engage in their learning activities.

Our class has been having fun practising our fundamental movement skills - perhaps they could teach their families these skills over the weekend? Please ask your child about the interesting things we are exploring at school - currently we are developing our persuasive writing techniques. In maths we are investigating whole numbers, addition and subtraction, and length.

Home learning is being well supported by some of our families and it is showing in the improvements the students are making in the classroom. Please continue to read with your child every night. It is a very important part of your child’s developing reading skills.

Mrs Poidevin

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**4/5SA LION ART**
This Year we will hold our Athletics Carnival on Thursday 2nd April, at the Wodonga Athletics Complex, Pearce Street Wodonga. Kinder to Year 2 will be at the field from 10.00am to 12.30pm, whilst Year 3 to Year 6 students will attend from 9.30am to 2.30pm. Julie will operate the canteen from this venue.

Please have your Meal Deal lunch order in before Tuesday 31st March. There will be NO OTHER ORDERS available. If parents or other siblings would like to order a Meal Deal, please fill in an order form from the canteen. Snack foods and drinks will be available during the day.

GOLD CUP Friday 27 March—Canteen CLOSED

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FRIDAY 20TH MARCH—TOMORROW
The Canteen will have a special Meal deal for KINDER, YEAR 1 and YEAR 2.
- Sausage Roll or Hot Dog
- Milk
- Mini Muffin
- Zooper Dooper
All for only $5.00 orders will be taken on the day.

Murumbidgee Local Health District employs dental therapists at the Albury Community Health Centre dental clinic which is located at 596 Smollett Street, Albury. Dental therapists are registered clinicians who provide general dental treatment for children and adolescents up to the age of 18 years. The treatment is free. Please ring 1800 450 046 to register.