Welcome back to Term 2. I’m glad to see everyone return safe and well and I am looking forward to another great term.

I would like to welcome Kate Pollard to our staff. Kate is the year 3/4 teacher for the remainder of the year and the students are quite excited to meet their new teacher. Nicole Collingridge will also be joining us for her 2 week practicum working with Mrs Cox.

NAPLAN is upon us again from Tuesday to Thursday in week 3. Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will participate in the national assessment that historically our students have performed highly. I am looking forward to analysing the results.

Half yearly exams begin for stage 6 this Thursday and complete the following Thursday. No classes will run during this time for stage 6.

I am proud to hear so many great comments from the public about our student’s participation in the ANZAC ceremony. Thank you to Jayden Mclean, our school captain, for speaking at the ceremony and to those staff and students who marched. Lest We Forget.

One final note, I would like to personally wish Jack McCormack all the best at Bathurst where he is representing at state level in the PSSA Basketball. Good luck Jack.

Mr Dunn

**Canteen Roster**

Friday, 2/5/14 – W Walker, B Baker
Monday, 5/5/14 – R Maguire, A Fairman

**Price Increase**

Please note that small flavoured milk is now $1.85.

**P&C News**

Our annual Mothers’ Day Stall will be held on Friday 9th May during recess. For those of you who are new to the school, this is a great opportunity for your child, either primary or high school, to buy mums and grandmums something special for Mothers’ Day. There are $5 gifts which are wrapped in cellophane, they come with a chocolate éclair, pretty
ribbon and tag, there will be $2 unwrapped gifts and also there is a reduced to clear box with gifts for $2. There will be plenty of gifts, so your child can buy as many gifts as they need. There are some beautiful gifts and you won’t be disappointed.

If anyone has some spare plastic shopping bags, please send them in, these are used to hide your beautiful gifts.

If you could send your child’s money in a clear zip lock bag with their name on it that would be also very helpful.

This is not a fundraiser - the P&C and school do not make any money out of this, it’s just a nice thing to make your kids feel very special when choosing a gift for mum or grandmum.

**ATTENTION:** I’m after any helpers on Tuesday 6th, Wednesday 7th or Thursday 8th at my house to help wrap gifts, this would be greatly appreciated, the more the merrier - any time you can spare would be very helpful, lunch and a glass of champagne will be served!!.

I’m also after any mums to help run the store on Friday 9th under the COLA, during recess, if you could be there at 10am to help set up that would be lovely, it’s a very busy stall so I’d love as many helpers as possible. Younger children welcome, it will only take up about ½ hour of your time. Please let me know if you are able to help in any way or also please call or text if you have any questions. Plus littlies are very welcome for either wrapping days or stall day. Also feel free to call me if you know your child will be away that day.

Thank you.
Renae Denyer 69741161 / 0427741161

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**Mothers’ Day Stall**
Friday 9th May at recess
All wrapped Gifts $5
$2 unwrapped gifts
$2 Reduced to clear box
You deserve to be spoilt
Don’t forget grandmas!

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**School Fete**
Look out next week for the results of our fete as well as a picture collage (or two).

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**SCHOOL DIARY**

Please note that **new** items are in **bold**

**THIS WEEK (Week 1B)**

**Thursday, 1/5/14**
Year 11/12 Exams begin
Secondary AFL Riverina Trials @ Narrandera

**Friday, 2/5/14**
PSSA District Cross country - Ganmain
Music Study Day @ Kooringal
NEXT WEEK (Week 2A)
Monday, 5/5/14-Thursday, 8/5/14
PSSA Basketball State Representation
Monday 5/5/14
Western Riverina pre-selection netball trials – Griffith
Thursday 8/5/14
CHS Zone cross country – Coolamon
Year 11/12 Exams conclude
Friday, 9/5/14
U15 RAP AFL Trials - tbc
P&C Mother’s Day Stall @ recess
Stewart House entries close today

WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

NAPLAN Assessments
Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will undertake NAPLAN assessments in Week 3 (13/5/14-15/5/14) with catch-up on Friday, 16/5/14.
Mr Stevens

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Stewart House Entries
Don’t forget that Stewart House entries close NEXT FRIDAY, 9/5/14.
Please send your donations in to the front office.

School Uniforms
Just a reminder that students are required to attend school in full school uniform, which is a black jumper or jacket in winter. If your child/children are not in uniform for any reason, a note is required explaining the reason. If a student is out of uniform on 3 occasions without a note, this will be treated as a discipline issue as per the school’s discipline policy.
If you have financial difficulties which require assistance in order for your child to comply with these requirements, please contact the school.
Welfare Committee

Anzac Day
Congratulations to our students who represented so well at the Anzac Day Services. It was lovely to see so many students acknowledging the sacrifices made by our armed forces.
We have received some great comments about the students’ behaviour and respectful listening at the Service.
Jayden McLean is also to be congratulated for speaking at the Service, as School Captain.
The following students were recorded as representing the school at the Services:
**Mirrool**
Mitch Maguire, Adam and Matthew Prentice, Louise, Will and Jimmy O'Hare, Taylor and Josie Heath, Maya Prentice, Isobel Herden, Riley Foster, Angus Pursehouse, Alex and Bronte Ingram
**Ariah Park**
Jack, Charlie and Georgia McCormack, Elsie Furphy, Zac and Sophie Dart, Will Fairman, Hayley and Lachlan Buerckner, Harry and Sullivan Walker, Laura and Alex Harper, Lily Walker, Rafferty and Brady Edis, Maggie Johnstone, Nancy French, Jayden, Sharnie, Keisha and Blair McClean, Nicholas Fairman, Fraser Harper, Grant Kelly, Paige Bruest,
Matthew Davey, Abbey Stevenson, Bella and Gabrielle Fairman, Shelby Worland, Ella Watts, Alyssa, Tom and Brooke Denyer.

Cybersmart
In conjunction with our awareness day ‘Bullying No Way’, included in this week’s newsletter is a CyberSmart Parent’s Guide to Online Safety brochure and Magnet. Cybersmart is a national cybersafety and cybersecurity education program managed by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA), as part of the Australian Government's commitment to cybersafety. The program is specifically designed to meet the needs of its target audiences of children, young people, parents, teachers and library staff. It is designed to support and encourage participation in the digital economy by providing information and education which empowers children to be safe online.

More information can be found online at http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/

NSW Premiers Reading Challenge
The NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC) is available for all NSW students in Kindergarten—Year 9. The Challenge aims to encourage in students a love of reading for leisure and pleasure, and to enable students to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

- Students log on using their DET username and password. On their first logon for 2014, students record their previous school, if applicable.
- Students are encouraged to complete their own online records at school, at home and the local library. Parents can assist students to enter books read.
- The easiest and most reliable way to enter PRC books is by their ID number.
- Check the website homepage regularly for important messages and updates.
- The Challenge closes on 1 September. We recommend that students complete their records by 25 August.
- Students must complete a set amount of reading to meet the Challenge, see table:

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- Registration has now opened on the PRC website: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge
In the newsletter today, distributed were Personal Reading Logs which can be completed if there is no access to the internet at home, or if your child finds it too hard to complete the online reading log. Get your child to fill this in when they have read a PRC book. These books are labelled in the school library as follows.

If your child would like to participate, get them to come into the library on a **WEDNESDAY** and I will help them with their reading choices and how to complete the challenge.

If you have any questions, don’t hesitate to get in touch. Also in today’s newsletter is a **reading log** if you are having trouble logging in. If you record all your children’s books that they have read, we can put them online at a later date.

Miss Ostle

**SECONDARY NEWS**

**Secondary English novels**

All Year 7 – 10 students have a novel to read for English. Year 7/8 students have The Hobbit (which is also available as a document through the smartphone / tablet app Scribd) and Year 9/10 students have the novel Double Exposure. Students are encouraged to read these regularly each evening.

Mrs Drumore

**Reminder - Year 11 and 12 Exams Begin on Thursday**

Years 11 and 12 begin their mid course exams on Thursday this week. The exams will be held in the Anglican Hall (opposite the school office). All morning exams will begin at 8.55am so students should get off busses and head straight to the hall. A roll for each exam will be marked there. Exams conclude on Thursday 8th May. Exams are compulsory and any student who, for whatever reason, cannot attend an exam session should ring the school immediately. The school wishes all Stage 6 students the best of luck in these exams.

Mr Englert

**PRIMARY NEWS**

**Primary – Positive Behaviour**

This term students will be taught specific skills related to positive social behaviour. Each week will be a new focus. Students will be rewarded in a variety of ways for demonstrating these behaviours. The following are a list of what each week will be, so parents can also reinforce at home.

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Mrs Jenkins
PSSA Basketball State Representation
We would like to wish Jack McCormack the very best of luck when he travels to Bathurst next week to represent at the PSSA Basketball.

AASC (Active After-school Communities)
On **two** afternoons this term from **3.30 pm** to **4.30 pm** we will be running the Active After-school Communities (AASC) program, if there is enough participation from primary students. This Australian Government program is run by the Australian Sports Commission and provides opportunities for primary school children to participate in free sport and other structured physical activity, after school. This term a diverse and dynamic AASC program has been put together for children to enjoy **lawn bowls** skills and mini games. The activities focus on increasing physical activity and improving skills in a fun, safe and inclusive environment.

To ensure children can take advantage of this excellent opportunity, we encourage parents to allow them to participate for the full hour and to pick them up after the program concludes.

If you are interested in your child/children participating in AASC this term please **fill in the Expression of Interest** at the end of this newsletter. Also in the newsletter there will be the **Consent Form** which will need to be completed. If you would like further information on the AASC program please contact Mr Radnidge or Miss Ostle at school.

Ardlethan/Ariah Park/Barellan/Beckom
PSSA Cricketers advance to the fourth round
On the 8th April our combined Ardlethan/Ariah Park/Barellan/Beckom PSSA Cricket Team travelled to Leeton to play against Leeton Public School in round three of the PSSA Knockout competition.

The Leeton Captain-Harrison Rudd won the toss and elected to bowl. Our Captain Sam Clemson-ACS made a positive start to the batting innings hitting five boundaries in quick succession. Riley Walker-APCS, Brodie Semmler-ACS and Nic Fairman-APCS also contributed to our total of 103 runs from 25 overs. Our bowling attack was effective, dismissing nine of the Leeton batsmen for 79 runs from their 25 overs. Man of the match was awarded to Charlie Hawthorne-ACS who took four wickets for eight runs from his four overs. Nic Fairman-APCS two wickets, Kokulan Kandeepan-BCS, Sam Clemson-ACS and Jim Griffin took one each.

Congratulations to all the boys who displayed great enthusiasm, skill and sportsmanship. A big thank you to Geoff Walker who assisted with the umpiring and Lou Clemson and Kate Hawthorne for scoring. Thank you also Linda Griffin, Sommy Kandeepan, Katrina Morris, Colleen Stout and Leonie Stout for assisting with the transport and supporting the team. We look forward to our round four match early next term.

**Miss Stewart (Ardlethan Central)**

Front row - Charlie Hawthorne-ACS, Sam Clemson (captain)-ACS, Nate Doyle-ACS & Dog (Mascot from Leeton)

PSSA District Cross Country

The primary district cross country is this Friday 2\textsuperscript{nd} May in Ganmain. All students are reminded that they must be at the Ganmain Football grounds at 9:30am and they are NOT to wear spikes. If your child/ren has not paid their $4 PSSA levy, please ensure this is handed in BEFORE Friday.

All students will be given they age group badge on the day. The first 4 place getters will qualify for the Riverina cross country held in Deniliquen Monday of Week 7, 10\textsuperscript{th} June. All the lunch orders that were returned last term, have been submitted and will be ready for payment and collection from the canteen at lunch time. Please note, NO NEW ORDERS will be taken this week so if you didn’t return a lunch order last term, please pack your own lunch.

Good luck to all the runners!

Miss Daniher

PSSA District Athletics

The primary district athletics will be held in Barellan on the Friday of Week 4 the 23\textsuperscript{rd} May. All students who have qualified have been notified and notes will be issued in the coming weeks. Thank you.

Miss Daniher

Western Riverina Pre-Selection Netball Trials

Students who made the Coolamon/Ardlethan netball team will be travelling to Griffith next Monday 5\textsuperscript{th} May to compete in the Western Riverina pre-selection trials. Notes will be issued shortly. We wish the girls the best of luck!

Miss Daniher

PSSA Tony Lockett Shield – Griffith

Students who have put their name down to compete in the Tony Lockett Shield Gala day in Griffith on Friday 16\textsuperscript{th} May, Week 3, will be issued notes shortly.

Miss Daniher
There are some simple yet effective tips that parents can follow to ensure their child has a happy day at school.

Make sure your child has a good nights sleep.
Make sure you and your child get up early enough to
- have breakfast
- get lunch ready
- pack a school bag
- get dressed

Be organised – help your child pack bags and have homework and sports gear ready for the next day.

Be involved with your school – meet with your child’s teacher and talk regularly.
- Offer your support and help.
- Read notes from school and reply on time.
- Phone the school if you want information.
- Listen to your child read.
- Show an interest in homework.
Youth Group
This Friday at Endeavour Hall at 7:30pm – 9pm.
Please bring some supper to share.
Peter Harper 0428741278.

JETS FUNCTIONS 2014

Round 5: 17th May 2014 – Karaoke / Dress up
Round 6: 31st May 2014 – Coleambally Bus Trip
Round 8: 14th June 2014 – Pink Day
Round 11: 12th July 2014 – Reverse Draw
Round 13: 26th July 2014 – Junior / Senior Function
Round 16: 16th August 2014 – Vote Count
TBA: Presentation Night

Level 1 Umpires Course
We are looking at holding a Level 1 Umpires course in West Wyalong on Tuesday 27th May 2014.
We need 15 participants to run, if interested please email Melissa mjs152@bigpond.net.au to put your name down, cost $35.

ARDLETHAN LITTLE A’S
To develop children of all abilities by promoting positive attitudes and a healthy lifestyle through family and community involvement in athletic activities. Ages 5-15 years.
Little A’s Winter Season is scheduled to commence next term, if you are interested in joining us one afternoon a week and to gauge possible numbers, please contact Lou Clemson on 0409093633.

Junior Jets News
What a glorious afternoon for football and netball greeted us on Anzac Day afternoon at the Ariah Park football ground. The boys and girls were pumped and ready to play after having the Easter weekend bye, three grades of football and four games of netball.
were played in great spirit, it was a sight to see all the grades of footballers and netballers lined up on the ground in front of the clubhouse to pay our respects to our men and women in our defence forces.

**Under 11s**

Well done to our boys who pulled off a great win against Temora. The game was a nail biter to the end with the winning goal kicked as the siren went. The $10 Landmark award went to Sullivan Walker who played a great game in the ruck, obtaining plenty of kicks around the ground. The Mirrool Hotel canteen and Landmark water bottle award went to Taylor Heath who barreled in all day and took plenty of marks and kicks. Blair Mclean had a fantastic game on the ball and kicked 1 goal to win the Ardlethan Pharmacy socks. Tom Denyer kicked 2 goals and Riley Walker kicked a goal on the final siren to win the game for the Jets. Riley and Josh Bell had a great game across the half back line.

Final Score  Jets 4 - 2 - 26  def  Temora 3 - 3 - 21

**Under 13s**

We were beaten by a primed, quality Temora side for our Anzac Day game. Our boys, like our diggers fought hard all day without giving up. Our best players and hard to separate were Joe Ryall, winning the $10 Ariah Park Hardware award and Nic Fairman the $10 coaches award. Jack McCormack rucked hard and tried all day to receive the Landmark water bottle. One of the smallest players on the ground, Harry Morris received the socks with Jed Litchfield and Brodie Semmler making up our top six.

Thanks again to the boys who came across from the Northern Riverina teams to help us out, particularly our first gamer Rhyle Davis. A great effort against a quality opponent.

Final score Temora 135 def Jets 0.

**Under 15s**

This game was a great team effort by the boys that made the Coach dance all night at the Ardlethan Debutante ball. The intensity and effort all game was terrific. Grant Kelly won the socks with a great game on the half back flank. The Prentice Bros. were terrific, as they have proven to be every game so far this season with Matt Seymour and Henry Grinter to keep Temora goal less for the first half. Chris Ryall, Jeromy Lucas and Blake Harper kicked 9 goals between them to be influential all game. Chris’ efforts earned him the Mirrool Hotel canteen award and Landmark water bottle. A reluctant Jed Litchfield managed to take the field after already playing under 13’s and kicked 3 goals in the last quarter to put a grin on his and the coaching staff’s face. Well done boys.

Final Score  Jets 12 - 10 - 82  def  Temora 2 - 5 - 17

We would like to welcome on board another sponsor for our club in 2014, the Ardlethan Bowling Club, we thank you for your commitment to our children. Next week we play at home to the Griffith Swans (Reds) at the Ardlethan Recreation Ground on Saturday, good luck to all our teams.
Adjudicator Training Courses

In 2014 The Arts Unit will be running a number of Adjudicator Training Courses in venues across NSW. The workshops will be run by highly qualified tutors and will cover all aspects of adjudicating, including Matter and Rebuttal, Definition and Method, and Public Speaking and Manner. A DVD of a past debating final will be shown to all participants. These days are an excellent opportunity for both potential adjudicators and those who have been trained previously to learn more about current best practice and then adjudicate in schools with confidence.

The seven days currently scheduled are:

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<td>Bletchington Public School, Matthews Ave, Orange</td>
<td>Conference Room, DEC Office, Morgan St, Wagga Wagga</td>
<td>Bomaderry Bowling Club, Meroo Road, Bomaderry</td>
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Time: Days run from 10.00am until 3.00pm. (Please ensure you arrive in time to register by 9.45am).
Open to: Anyone wishing to adjudicate debating or public speaking competitions organised by the Department of Education and Communities and current adjudicators wishing to update their skills.
Cost: This is a free event. Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided for all participants.
Bring: Paper and pen. (New adjudicators will need to bring proof of ID and provide a Working with Children Clearance Number).

Please fill out this bottom section before Friday 30th May: LLOYD CAMERON, THE ARTS UNIT, FAX: (02) 95696878 or email to lloyd.cameron@det.nsw.edu.au

NAME: ______________________________ PHONE: ______________________________ EMAIL: ______________________________
PREFERRED DATE AND VENUE: ______________________________
Active After School Sessions – Expression of Interest

Please indicate by ordering your preferred preference of day with 1 being most desired for your child’s Active After school session. Please return these by this Friday 2\textsuperscript{nd} May.

\textbf{Student Name:} ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

\textbf{Infants (grades K-2) -} Monday ____  Tuesday ____  Thursday ____  

\textbf{Primary (grades 3-6) -} Monday ____  Tuesday ____  Thursday ____  

\textbf{-----------------} Please return by Friday, 2\textsuperscript{nd} May 2014------------------