The last few weeks of Term 4 continue to be very busy. Last Monday, Mr Matt Duffy from Hutcheon and Pearce spoke to students about the Apprenticeships and Traineeships his company offers, and provided insight into the kinds of expectations employers have of young people entering the workplace.

On Tuesday, the Paper Planes motivational speakers gave students a potted history of aeronautical engineering and explained to students that seizing small opportunities and doing your best with them can lead to following your dreams.

On Wednesday, Year 5/6 students explored the Lake Cowal Mine and found it very interesting.

Our Year 6 into 7 Orientation Day on Thursday seemed to be both fun and educational, with drama games in English, statistics with smarties in Maths, slushies experiments in Science, medieval coats-of-arms in HSIE, and seed germination and chicken-cuddling in Agriculture before the introductory parent meeting. Our Primary classes also enjoyed going "up" a year for the day.

Friday saw more Orientation activities with Kindergarten 2016's first full day and Year 10 students attending the RAP Study Day at Ardlethan Central School. This week sees Intensive Swimming for Primary students and a further full-day orientation for Kindergarten this Friday. Congratulations to Blake Smith, who made the PSSA Cricket Team last Thursday and to Taylor Heath, named as one of two reserve players.

Friday, 4/12/15 – T Buerckner, C Harper
Monday, 7/12/15 – A French, R Denyer

Please note that new items are in bold

This Week (Week 9A)
Monday, 30/11/15-Friday, 4/12/15
Intensive Swimming - 9.45am-12.45pm
Monday, 30/11/15
VET Construction Work Placement
Friday, 4/12/15
Kindergarten Orientation – whole day
Next Week (Week 10B)
Monday, 7/12/15-Thursday, 10/12/15
Intensive Swimming – 9.45am-12.45pm
Tuesday, 8/12/15
Christmas Church Service – 9.53am
Friday, 11/12/15
Whole School Assembly – 11.59am

Whole School News
Whole School Assembly
Next Friday, 11th December, will be our final Whole School Assembly for 2015. At this assembly we will also express our gratitude to our volunteers with refreshments served for them following assembly.

Paper Planes
Last Tuesday we were lucky enough to have a visit from the Paper Plane Pilots, James Norton and Dylan Parker. All students were given the opportunity to undertake a Paper Planes Workshop where they learnt about the science behind flight and also learnt how to fold some amazing paper planes.
In the afternoon, James and Dylan delivered an inspirational speech, delivering the strong message to students to dream big as they can be and become anything they want to be, if they provide themselves with lots of opportunities and work hard enough. It was a wonderful day had by all.

Miss Pollard
(I have printed some photos in this newsletter.)

Secondary News
In Term 2 ‘Take Charge and Volunteer’ representative Georgia Briggs came out and spoke to secondary students about her cool volunteer experiences, and the new REROC initiative you could sign up for. Did you take a card off Georgia and promise to sign up? .....Did you do it...?
It is definitely not too late to sign up for Take Charge and Volunteer on the website www.takecharge.org.au and take part in some awesome local events or organisations to help the community.
Like our Facebook page, too, for more info and easy access to our representatives to help you with any questions.
www.facebook.com/TakeChargeRiverina

Go on and sign up, YOU get to choose the place, YOU get to choose the time, YOU get the cool experiences, YOU get the extra activity for your resume, and YOU go into a monthly draw to win iTunes or phone recharge vouchers, and a yearly draw to win an iPad. What more could you want?!

Stage 4 English - Christmas Themed Film Study
As a part of their study of different ways stories are told in different cultures, we are going to be watching How The Grinch Stole Christmas (rated PG for Adult Themes) and A Muppet Christmas Carol (G). If you do not wish your child to watch these films, suitable work will be provided for them to complete during the viewing sessions. Please advise the school if you do not wish your child to view these films.

Miss Farrell
HSC Artworks
The HSC Artworks are being displayed at the Griffith Regional Gallery until 20\textsuperscript{th} December. If you are in Griffith you can see one of our budding artists work. Georgia is pictured with her HSC artwork at the Gallery.

Maths Tessellations Unit
Lily Walker is the first to finish her cushion for the Stage 4 Maths Tessellations Unit. Hopefully, we will see lots more pictures and completed cushions going home in the next week or so.

Mrs Drumore
Primary Cricket
The Redbacks travelled to the soccer ground to take on the Bushrangers and went on to notch their first win for the season after some unlucky losses. The Redbacks batted first and made 85, with some good batting by Tom O'Dwyer scoring 9 and Zac Dart making 9 not out. Other scorers were Blake Forsyth 3, Tom Denyer 4 and Blair McLean 3. For the Bushrangers Will Magregor gave nothing away and took a wicket 1/3. Nick Irvine also bowled well, taking 2 wickets for 9 runs, as well as being involved with a runout. In return, the Bushrangers lost an early wicket, but Waisea Tudulu and Nick Irvine went about scoring freely with Waisea making a powerful 17. Other scores for the Bushrangers were Sam Irvine 13, Will Magregor 10 and Will Stimson with a knock of 5 not out.
The Redbacks bowled very well with Will O'Hare taking 2 wickets in 2 balls, Blake Forsyth took 2 wickets and Tom Denyer taking 2 also. Oliver French, Lou O'Hare, Tom Denyer and Alex Ingram chimed in also, being involved in run outs to restrict the Bushrangers to 80 in the final over in a very close and exciting game.

APCAT Christmas Party
The APCAT Christmas Party, on Saturday 5th December will be hosted by the Anglican Church, commencing at 10am at the Church.
An enjoyable program of Christmas items will be followed by a very tasty morning tea.
Families are most welcome to come along and join in the fellowship of the joyful community event.

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The Christmas Visit
Bishop Rob Gillion, Anglican Bishop of Riverina has a background in the theatre. In this special presentation, his vibrant personality allows young and old the opportunity to take a new and novel look at the ‘joy’ of Christmas.
Based on a short story by Adrian Plass, the “drama” unfolds when Jesus arrives in the vicars parish and stays for Christmas, turning the parish upside down – Not Now! It’s Christmas!
Bishop Rob will present “The Visit” at the Narrandera Ex-Services’ Club on Saturday, 12th December at 7.30pm.

Adult Tickets $15  Concession (children 12-15 yrs) $10  Children Under 12 free

For more information or to book, contact:
Margaret Speirs 6974 1104
Rev Mike Perrot 6959 2089 or
Colleen Light (Narrandera) 6959 1648
Canteen under Construction

The pool canteen will be closed as it receives a well-deserved remodel.
Please make sure you bring along any snacks or drinks you may need.
Sorry for any inconvenience.

On Saturday & Sunday we were very lucky to have the expert coaching skills from Les Buckley who holds a Silver Coaching certificate and is the head coach for the Queanbeyan / Telopea Clubs. Les has coached several 1<sup>st</sup> class Australian swimmers in his time. There were over 20 of our members attending the sessions and despite the water being cool the kids were able to pick up some great tips and skills. At the end of the 2 days Les stated he had already seen improvements in our swimmers.

Thanks also to our great coaches Debbie & Alice for organising Les to visit and for volunteering your time to enhance your coaching skills.
Swim Club Meeting – Change of date:

On Monday 7th & Tuesday 8th December at 4:30pm we will be discussing our upcoming carnival. Your support at one of these allocated dates would very much be appreciated even if you are NOT attending the carnival as the money generated from the carnival supports the running of swim club for the season.

Thursday 3rd December race program:

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simply delicious 😁

Thanks to Lou Gaynor for organizing our Build a Burger dinner at swim club last Thursday evening. Despite the crazy cool/windy weather we managed to cook 48 burgers to fill those hungry tummies. We look forward to more of Lou’s delicious delights throughout the season.

Here’s hoping for some super weather for weeks race night 😊