It is good to see everyone return from the Easter break safe and well and I hope it was an enjoyable break. Yesterday staff returned to school for staff development training and it was good to see all ready for a great term.

This year we remember the brave men and women who served in Australian defence forces and commemorate the 100 year anniversary of the ANZAC campaign at Gallipoli. At whole school assembly on Friday we will come together and remember the ANZAC soldiers and celebrate what it is to be Australian. I hope you all can find the time to attend.

The weather will be turning colder now so students will be requiring warm clothing. We have quite a large pool of clothing, including jumpers, and parents are welcome to access some of the unclaimed items. Some of the clothing is near new. If you are having trouble to provide uniform items please let me know so I can assist.

NAPLAN will be on again in week 4 and HSC half yearly exams start Thursday of Week 2.

Lest We Forget
Mothers’ Day Stall - Friday 8th May

Our annual Mothers’ Day Stall will be held on Friday 8th May during Recess (10.46am-11.06am). For those of you 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 there is also a reduced-to-clear box with gifts for $2.

There will be plenty of presents, 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, the kids get a real hit when choosing a gift for mum or grandmum.

**ATTENTION:** I’m after any helpers on Tuesday 5th or Thursday 7th 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 and this is always a nice catch up too! You’ll get lunch and a glass of champagne!

I’m also after any volunteers to help run the store on Friday 8th 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. It will only take up about ½ hour of your time, plus littlies are very welcome for either wrapping days or stall day.

Please let me know if you are able to help in any way or also please call or text if you have any questions. Also feel free to call me if you know your child will be away that day.

Thank you.

Renae Denyer 6974 1161 / 0427 741161

**SCHOOL DIARY**

Please note that new items are in bold

**This Week (Week 1A)**

**Thursday, 23/4/15**
PSSA Cricket – 10.30am start – Bolton Park Wagga

**Friday, 24/4/15**
Whole School Assembly – 9.53am
Secondary Girls’ Netball Riverina Trials – 9.30am start – Bolton Park Sports Stadium, Wagga Wagga
PSSA Western Riverina Netball Trials – 10am – West End Stadium, Griffith
Whole School Assembly
This Friday will see our first whole school assembly for this term. We will be celebrating Anzac Day, with a presentation by primary students. We invite all parents, grandparents and other community members to attend. Assembly will commence at 9.53am in the school hall. Please remember to sign in at the front office.
APCS Executive

Change of Addresses or Other Details
It is asked that parents remember to advise the school of any change to their personal details - things such as address, phone contact numbers (or those of their emergency contacts), family doctor etc. It can be imperative that we have correct contact details, particularly in emergency situations.
Thank you.
APCS Executive

Collecting Other People’s Children
If you wish your child to be collected from school by anyone other than a parent of that child, we require your written permission. The school is not permitted to pass custody of your child to someone else without your express permission. Please send this note in as early as possible, so this information can be passed on to appropriate staff members.
Thank you.
APCS Executive

School Lunches
Could parents please remember that there are currently no school lunches available on non-canteen days?

Stewart House – a chance to win a $4000 holiday!
Every year 1800 public school children attend Stewart House at Curl Curl in Sydney at no cost to their parents or carers. During a 12 day stay, they are provided with dental, optical, hearing and medical screening and treatment. Children participate in educational programs and excursions designed to develop their social and emotional skills, building self-esteem and improve their overall well-being.
If you would like to help with fundraising for this wonderful operation, and also have the opportunity to win a $4,000 family holiday, here’s what you can do....
Distributed with today’s newsletter was an envelope.
1. Fill in your name, address, telephone number and school
2. Insert a donation of at least $2 into the envelope and seal it.
3. Return the envelope to school via usual ‘note’ channels.
Each returned envelope will be entered into a draw to win the holiday.
ENVELOPES MUST BE RETURNED BY Friday, 8th May to qualify.
Library

Book Club
Distributed today was Issue 3 of the Book Club. Please return orders by Friday, 8th May.

I would like to thank all the people who have been covering new books for us in the library. Unfortunately putting new books into the library is not as easy as it may seem. There are many steps that are involved.

1. SCIS – search for books on database to give information about the book.
2. Load onto OASIS.
3. Barcode and label the book with the location of the book.
4. Sticker the location.
5. Use spine tape on books to make it last longer.
7. It is now ready to be read by students.

These are some brand new books on the shelf in the library.

LEGO Legends of Chima: Cragger's Revenge
Author: Trey King
Age: Ages 7-10
Grades: Years 2-4

With his parents gone, Cragger is now the King of the Crocodiles. And he's determined to avenge his parents and defeat the Lions-starting with Laval! Can the Lion Prince convince Cragger to stop his attack before it's too late? It will be a tough battle, and Laval may just need the help of a legendary creature that hasn't been seen in a thousand years.

Sofia the First Storybook: The Amulet and the Anthem
Author: Trey King
Age: 3 - 7
Grades: Years K-2

What’s a singer to do? When Sofia boasts to her friends about singing the Enchancian anthem, a curse makes her start croaking like a frog! Can a visit from Princess Belle help Sofia break the curse?

Glenn Maxwell 1: Lucky Break
Author: Patrick Loughlin
Age: 9+
Grades: Year 4+

A junior fiction series about an up-and-coming cricketer who is mentored by Australian cricket star Glenn Maxwell. Will Albright is a batting whiz and captain of his local cricket team. But when his coach nominates him to attend a T20 training camp, Will soon discovers that standing out in a sea of young cricket talent isn't easy. Especially when Darren 'Killer' McKinnon, a super-quick pace bowler, has taken a deadly dislike to him. Luckily, Will's hero, Glenn Maxwell, is on hand to provide some much-needed advice.
If Will can survive Killer's bouncers, he may just have a shot at making it through the camp alive and gaining a place at the brand-new T20 Youth Academy.

Ghoulfriends Forever: Monster High, Book #1
Author: Gitty Daneshvari
Age: 10-14
Grades: Years 5-8

The first book in the brand-new Monster High series introduces three new monster characters. As new students, the trio must navigate the bewildering array of cute monster boys, established cliques, and monster-rific subjects like Mad Science, G-ogre-phy, and Physical Deaducation. As if that weren't hard enough, something strange and sinister seems to be happening at the school. Popular girls like Frankie Stein and Cleo de Nile are acting weird, and all signs point to everyone's new favorite teacher, Miss Sylphia Flapper. Can the new GFFs expose the fave as a fraud, or will they succumb to peer pressure?

Monsters Love Underpants
Author: Claire Freedman
Illustrator: Ben Cort
Age: 4-8
Grades: K-2

Oooh! Some things are made for each other. Toast plus jam. Music plus dancing. Monsters plus coloured pants, rhymes and giggles. Do you adore the Aliens Love Underpants rhymes? So do we. And so do monsters. They're fed up of watching as aliens, dinosaurs and pirates grab all the pants for themselves. So they've gate-crashed the party! Hairy horned monsters. Drooling swamp monsters. Wild and woolly mountain monsters. All in groovy pants. It's a match made not in heaven, but in a very silly place to make you laugh like crazy. Are you loving it? (We are.)

Warduff and the Pelican Pirates
Author: Mat Head
Age: 4-8
Grades: Years K-2

Warduff is down at the harbour one day when he notices something amiss. The penguins have been plundered by a posse of pelican pirates and have returned from their fishing trip empty handed! Warduff must come up with a brilliant plan to outwit the pirates — or they might never eat fish again! The cunning Warduff returns in this hilarious pirate adventure from the talented picture book creator Mat Head.

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**BIRTHDAY CAKES AND CELEBRATIONS**
While we appreciate that parents like to include all classmates in celebrations for their child, it is imperative that there is consultation with the classroom teacher beforehand.
Many students have special dietary requirements and/or allergies and, in consideration of these circumstances, preparations may need to be made for their involvement in these activities. Consideration of these needs and the welfare of these children and classroom management would be appreciated.
Thank you
APCS Executive

**SPORT NEWS**

**School Cross Country**
There are some pictures from the Cross Country printed in this newsletter.

**Greater Southern Rugby League**
We would like to wish Jayden McLean well when he travels to Belconnen to represent Riverina at 2015 NSW CHS Greater Southern Open Rugby League Trials on Thursday, 30th April.
P&C Fete – Thursday, 2\textsuperscript{nd} April 2015
Anzac Day March

The Ariah Park RSL Sub Branch invite all school students to participate in the Anzac Day March on Saturday, 25th April (this Saturday).
Please wear your school uniform and assembly at the Bowling Club at 10.45am.
Anyone wearing medals of ex servicemen and women are welcome to join the march.

Weekend Netball Results - Round 1
U11's – No Game this week
U13’s - Northern Jets 20 defeated Leeton 11
A great start to the season with everyone putting in a top effort. Lily Walker had a great game shooting and worked well in the circle with Abbey Doyle. Olivia Harper covered the centre court beautifully, well supported by Josie Gaynor. The defenders all worked together well as a team. Awards: Olivia Harper, Best on Court and Hayley Buerckner, Players Player.
U5’s - Northern Jets 23 defeated Leeton 14
The U15’s played well as a team and came away with a win. Ellie Walker had a terrific game as the GA and Chloe Minchin as the GS worked well together in the circle. Jessica Durham worked hard all game in defence. Thank you to Olivia Harper, Lily Walker and Hayley Buerckner for filling in this week.
Awards: Ellie Walker, Best on Court and Olivia Harper, Players Player.

Junior Jets Football Report
Our season kicked off at Leeton on Saturday, as always the Leeton club were very welcoming. Thank you to all our supporters and helpers who turned out to cheer our boys on in what finished a very wet day. Thank you to all the coaches and managers for 2015 who have chosen to support our players, without you we couldn’t field all our teams.

Under 11’s Report
What a great start to the season. In the first quarter we were a little slow to get going, players playing in new positions looked a little lost, but our endeavour greatly improved throughout the next three quarters. We definitely need to work on our fitness during training! When we moved the ball well we looked hard to beat and this will come with time and practice. Awards this week were the $10 Landmark Award to Harry Collis who had great attack on the ball and terrific pressure on the man, good game. The Ardlethan Pharmacy socks went to Taylor Heath, his tackling pressure was outstanding. Goal kickers this week were Jack Hawthorne and Charlie McCormack, other players who went well were Nate Doyle, Zac Dart, Harrison Judd and Jack Hawthorne. Hope to see everyone at training and very much looking forward to playing Temora under lights next Friday night.
Under 13’s Report

A big thank you to some U11’s boys for backing up this week, Zac Dart, Riley Judd, Jack Hawthorne and Nate Doyle. It was great to see Sam Clemson able to make our game as well. The awards today, Oscar Day received the coaches (Geoff Fairman) award, Mirrool Hotel socks to Sullivan Walker and the Ariah Park Hardware $10 award to Sam Clemson. Other players to mention on the day were Nic Fairman, Jack Hawthorne, Jim Griffin and Fraser Harper. Goal kickers were Zac Dart, Harry Morris and Riley Walker. A good game to start off the season let’s hope we have our full side in next week against Temora.

Final score  Leeton  4 - 4 - 28 def  Jets  2 - 5 - 17

Under 15’s Report

The boys were keen to begin the 2015 season with Jeromy Lucas voted in as captain and Blake Harper voted in as Vice Captain. This set the scene for a great contest against the strong Leeton outfit, which is probably the benchmark of the league. With great determination the boys played some fantastic football under slippery playing conditions. They were equal at Half Time and by the start of the third quarter the boys trailed by 6 points; The final quarter was pressure football with Leeton able to kick the first two goals to win the match by 18 points. Zach Griffin played well at Centre half back with many counter attacks and brother Jim Griffin was terrific on the back line, repelling many forward presses. Jerry Lucas was brilliant for four quarters, and kicked three goals to win the Jason Bryce Spreading $10 award. Ben Carmichael had a superb game saving many goals at full back and kicking one goal to win the Elders socks. Other goal kickers were Mitch Doyle and Nic Fairman, while Jed Litchfield, Mitch Doyle, Ben Cattle, Hamish Gaynor, Will and Tom Clemson all played their part, but unfortunately could not get the Jets over the line. We would like to make special thanks to Will and Tom Clemson for their support of our team in playing fine football on the wing as well as the under 13’s players who backed up for another game of footy and we must not forget Blake Harper’s great marks all throughout the game. We now look forward to our next game against Temora.

Final score  Leeton  10 - 7 - 67 def  Jets  6 - 13 - 49.

Well done boys a great effort for your first game. We would like to thank all our generous sponsors for 2015, Delta, Ariah Park Bowling Club, Elders, Ardlethan Service Centre, Landmark, Jason Bryce Spreading, Ariah Park Hardware, Mirrool Hotel, Geoff & Leonie Fairman, Ardlethan Pharmacy, Beckom Roadhouse and the Ardlethan Bowling Club. Make sure you show them your appreciation for their commitment to our children throughout the year. Next week we are at home to Temora at Ariah Park. Due to Anzac day on Saturday we are playing all netball grades and the U11’s and U13’s football games on Friday night and the U15’s boys will play on Sunday before the senior games. Good luck everyone.

First Reconciliation Preparation

Preparation classes for first Reconciliation will begin at 3.35pm this Thursday, 23rd April, at the Catholic church hall. Classes will finish at 4.25pm. If you would like your child to be involved, please call Bron Fairman, 69741461, mobile 0428771522.
Award Winners 2014-2015 Swim Club Presentation

The Ariah Park Swim Club recently held their annual presentation night to celebrate a very successful 2014-2015 season. Over 80 people attended the presentation and sat down dinner at the Ariah Park Bowling Club.

President Alice French welcomed all the swimmers and their families saying the 2014-2015 season was very successful with the largest group of swimmers being from 8-12 years age groups which hopefully shows great future growth for our club. Alice also made mention that it was great to see that every swimmer improved over the season.

This year’s major award winners for this season were:

→ Zac Dart – Race Recorders Award
   (Highest aggregate points)
→ Will Coutts & Louise O’Hare – Encouragement Awards
→ Oliver French – Most Improved
→ Elina Finch – Ollie Walker Memorial Award
   (Someone who tries really hard every week never gives up)

Award winners in the distance swims were:

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New awards introduced this season were the coaches awards for most consistent at training:

- Group 1 (Coach Debbie) → Kate O’Dwyer
- Group 2 (Coach Alice) → Alex Ingram
- Group 3 (Coach Debbie) → Hannah O’Dwyer
- Group 4 (Coach Alice) → Darcie Manning

Certificates of Participation:
(Were given to the swimmers who participated in training but on race nights)
- Kate O’Dwyer
- Tom O’Dwyer
- Hannah O’Dwyer
- Alex Ingram
- Tom Writer
- Hayley Writer

Over 20 of our club swimmers qualified at Riverina level for their respective schools with Kacy Bell being successful in making it to State CHS level for her high school.

Terry Edis thanked the coaches for their commitment and volunteering their time to train and encourage all the swimmers achieve their best and presented them with a gift of appreciation.

Congratulations to all the swimmers and their families for your participation and sportsmanship in helping to make our club be the best it can be.

☞ Thank you for a great swim club season, we hope to see you back when we dive into next season ☞