Welcome back and it has been a great start to 2016. It’s great to see everyone return safe and sound and with heaps of energy for a fantastic year. We welcome a number of new families to our school this year and some new staff also, including Carrie Studholme and Nic Willoughby. Kindergarten has made a great start and settled well. This week we ordered a complete new set of furnishings for the Kinder room and have included a new interactive LCD display. This will brighten the look of the room and better accommodate the increased number of students we have in Kindergarten this year.

The Hospitality Trade Training Centre will be handed over this Thursday and the work on the canteen is still under way. The canteen will remain closed for the moment until the work is complete. On Saturday all of our staff attended a Positive Behaviour Management workshop delivered by Ian Luscombe. The workshop covered methods on how to handle difficult students and an interesting session on nutrition and the effects on their behaviour and development. This event was attended by all the local schools in the Goldenfield’s Learning Community. It was a very enjoyable event and a great way to start the year. Thank you to all staff for attending.

I would appreciate if all parents could take a look at the consent notes attached to this newsletter and have the relevant ones returned as soon as possible.

Mr Dunn

The school canteen is currently undergoing renovations and will be closed until further notice. Please ensure your child has a packed lunch as there will be no other options.
**SCHOOL DIARY**

Please note that new items are in bold

**Next Week (Week 3A)**

- **Tuesday, 9/2/16**
  - Yr 11 RAP Study Day – Yanco Ag College
  - P&C meeting 8pm – School Library

- **Wednesday, 10/2/16**
  - Yr 11 RAP Study Day – Yanco Ag College
  - Primary Boys Riverina Cricket – Pre selection Trials

- **Thursday, 11/2/16**
  - Twilight Swimming Carnival 4pm

- **Friday, 12/2/16**
  - Back up day for swimming carnival
  - Primary Riverina Tennis Pre Selection

**P & C NEWS**

**P&C AGM and General Meeting**

Welcome to APCS for 2016. For our new families, our P&C meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month commencing at 8pm summer time and 7.30pm winter time in the school library. Everyone is welcome to attend but only financial members are able to vote on items.

Our first meeting, on Tuesday 9th February, will be our AGM. This is a great way to be involved in your child’s education and the school.

Michael Denyer
P&C President

**WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS**

**School Hours**

- **Primary:** 8:55am to 3:25pm (Monday to Thursday)
- **Secondary:** 8:55am to 3:25pm

Students who arrive late or leave early need to be signed in and out at the Front Office.

Parents collecting their children must wait at one of the two designated pick up points, either at the library gate or aviary gate. Please note, the bus gate is not to be used to collect students. It is for bus students only.

APCS Executive

**School Hats**

Just a reminder that all students are required to wear broadbrim hats this term.

**Stage 5 PDHPE**

This term students will be learning about stereotypes and body image. If anyone has any magazines they would like to donate to the school, especially health magazines, it would be appreciated.

Thankyou
Miss Ostle

**Ariah Park Central School Phone Intervention Program**

Early and direct contact with the parents and carers of students who are absent from school is a proven way to improve regular attendance and to build a positive relationship with parents in relation to school attendance. Ariah Park Central School will again be implementing the Phone Intervention Policy (PIP) in 2016. The purpose of this program is to inform parents that their children are not at school and to seek a brief explanation for the absence. Parents can give a brief explanation for their child’s absence over the phone and
therefore do not need to provide a written note.
Ariah Park Central School may make contact via text message to inform you of your child’s absence, you may choose to respond via return text message or phone the school with an explanation, this is then entered onto the roll.
If you do not wish to participate in this program or do not wish the school to contact you in this way please contact the front office.

Uniform
Most students have displayed excellent adherence to the uniform policy so far this year. Just a reminder that if students are out of uniform, parents should provide a written note for students to bring with them. Financial assistance is available to assist parents struggling to provide the correct uniform for their child.
Students out of uniform without a note are warned on two occasions, then a phone call or text will go home to parents informing them of the issue. Secondary students will receive a detention on the third out-of-uniform occasion without a note.
Uniforms can be ordered through our P&C representative, Mrs Rhonda Johnstone, via forms from the front office at school. An order form has been printed in this newsletter.
Please note: There are separate sport and regular school uniforms. Students are discouraged from wearing the sports uniform, which includes sports shorts and tracksuit pants, on non-sport or PE days.

Welfare Committee

School Notes
The following reminders / information/notes are required by the School Executive. Please return the notes ASAP as many organisational tasks rely on them having been returned:

Mobile Phone and/or Electronic Device Use
Ariah Park Central School has a Mobile Phone policy which is printed at the end of this newsletter. Please ensure you talk to your children about this policy and that they understand it. Please also complete the registration form which is printed at the end of this newsletter if your child does not have their current device/s registered with the school. Please also remember to update the details if your child changes his/her device/s.

Scripture Classes /Church Services
Students in years K-12 are given the opportunity to attend scripture classes on a regular basis during the school year. Students also, at various times, perform and/or read at or simply attend church services to represent the school at occasions such as Education Week, Easter, Christmas etc.
If any parent/guardian does not wish their child/ren to attend these classes and/or participate in these Services, you are asked to complete and return the form at the end of this newsletter.
Students who do not have an exemption note will be required to attend these classes and/or church services.
Student Banking
This will recommence Friday, 5th February 2016. If you wish your child to apply for an account please contact the front office for an application form.

Excursion Money
Due to the number of different activities which can be running at any one time –

Could all parents please ensure that their notes and payments are handed to the roll /class teachers in an envelope? Please ensure the child’s name written on the outside, how much is in the envelope and details of the excursion/event.

This greatly assists the office. Several times in the past we have received money wrapped in paper with no name/event details on the paper. Your assistance with this would be greatly appreciated.

Leaving School during School Hours
If your child needs to leave school to go down the street during school hours could all parents please ensure that you send in a dated note clearly stating the child’s name and when you are giving permission for your child to leave the school, i.e. at lunchtime or recess etc. This practice is not encouraged and should only be used for an urgent reason. Students are not permitted to go down the street to buy lunch or for social reasons unless they are in Stage 6 and have returned the signed permission note. Students are not permitted to leave school with a verbal authorisation brought in by the child.

Local Excursion Notes
Accompanying this newsletter is a one off permission note for Local Excursions held in Ariah Park which now covers students for their whole school life. Please complete this form and return it to the Class/Roll Teacher so soon as possible. This note is required in a short timeframe to allow us to facilitate taking students to the pool for swimming practice leading up to the swimming carnival, walking to the oval etc. Students are accompanied by teaching staff on all excursions, which have the approval of the Principal.

Lunch Pass Permission Note
Consent is needed for all child/ren to leave the school grounds. If you require your child/ren to go home for lunch please fill out the permission note and return as soon as possible. A lunch pass will be issued as soon as possible. Lunch passes only permit students to go to home for lunch. Students are not permitted down the street at lunchtime unless they have a specific note for that day from a parent or are in Year 11/12. Students in Years 11/12 who are using this lunch pass to go down street must sign out at the front office when leaving and returning the school.
Messages to Children
If you have an unexpected change of routine and need to have a message given to your child (particularly a bus message), could you please phone the school as early as possible, but ideally before 3.00pm?
If the school has not been notified of a change in routine, students will be sent home as per their usual routine.

Bike Helmets
Students who ride their bikes to school must wear bike helmets. Bike helmets are required by law. Could you assist us by encouraging your children to wear their helmets?

Travel to and from school
Students who are licensed drivers are free to drive to and from school. This is a matter for them, their parents and the owner of the vehicle. The school and the Department are not responsible for drivers or passengers travelling to and from school. Student vehicles are not permitted on school premises.

Use of Private Vehicles for Departmental Activities
It is recognised that on some activities, such as those involving only a small number of students, there may be no other feasible option than to allow students to use private vehicles.
If students are required to attend departmental activities away from the school, parents, community members or other students may provide transport to and from the activity subject to the following conditions:
• Written permission from the parent(s) of the student being transported is obtained
• If students are transporting other students, written permission from the parent(s) of the driver must also be obtained to not only use the vehicle also to transport other students.
• The driver must be licensed
• The motor vehicle must be registered.
• The number of passengers in the vehicle must not exceed the number of seatbelts or in the case of larger vehicles, the number of passengers that the vehicle may be licensed to carry.

Current driver’s license and car registration details must be sighted prior to permission being granted.
Transporting students in parent’s or other students’ vehicles will only occur in those circumstances where there is no other feasible option available to provide the transportation. The preferred method of conveying students for school activities is by the school bus.
The principal will assess each request on a case by case basis and approval may be revoked at any time.
If the privilege is abused, approval will be withdrawn immediately.
SECONDAY NEWS
There will be a RAP Study Day for Year 11 students only, next week on Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th February at Yanco Ag College. Students will leave from school on Tuesday at 8:30am and return on Wednesday at 4pm. Notes were handed out to students today.

PRIMARY NEWS
Reading Program
Our morning reading program for Kinder to Year 4 students will commence Monday, 15th February. We are looking for volunteers to come and listen to our students read from Monday-Thursday, 9.00-9.30am. If you are available to help, could you please let Jenny or the front office know.

Thank you
Mrs Jenkins

SPORT NEWS
2016 Twilight Swimming Carnival
It is that time again to get excited about dressing up in your house colours, organising what events you would like to participate in and practise your chants! All students should know what sports house they are in however if some are unsure, please come and see me.
Students are encouraged to wear their house colours to school on Thursday 11th February. Students will march to the pool after school and get changed into their swimmers at the pool. The carnival will begin at 4pm sharp. More details will be in next week’s newsletter.

Students must have a current swimming permission note to attend the carnival, students without permission were handed notes at this afternoon’s assembly. Could parents please fill these out and return to school as soon as possible?
If parents are able to help out at the event, please fill in the sheet provided at the end of the newsletter to return to school or phone the school. Don’t forget about the main event, the ‘Parent/Teacher/Student Race!’
Miss Rees

Swimming Carnival Events this Friday
This Friday 5th February during sport, students in both Primary and Secondary will complete their 200m Individual Medleys in preparation for our School Swimming Carnival. Running these events on a Friday afternoon will be a big timesaver for Thursday night, and of course all participation points and individual achievements will go on to be included in the School’s house competition. Any parents who would like to attend to watch your child swim are most welcome to watch at the pool at 2pm.
Miss Rees
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**TOTAL PAYMENT DUE...** $

*Please note: if you would like to try (for correct sizing) uniforms that are available through the school uniform shop, please contact -
Contact: Rhonda Johnstone, Uniform Coordinator
Phone: 6974 1122
Mobile: 0427 741 122
Email: ncsa_rhonda@yahoo.com.au*
Background:
Many students own mobile phones and whilst, in principle, this school understands there are some advantages of students having these phones, it is strongly recommended that they are not brought to school unless essential. Using a mobile phone in any of the following ways is considered totally inappropriate by this school and will lead to disciplinary action:

- disruption of the learning environment by having a mobile phone switched on during class time;
- use of the phone for bullying, intimidating or otherwise harassing other people through any SMS or text message, photographic, video or other data transfer system available on the phone;
- viewing, sharing, or sharing the viewing of, inappropriate (e.g. pornographic or otherwise offensive) data on the phone.

Action:

- If a student brings a mobile phone to school, it must be registered at the Administration Office.
- Any student caught with an unregistered phone will have it confiscated, stored in a secure location and a parent will be asked to come to school to collect the phone.
- Any phone brought to school must be switched off during class time and kept in a secure location by the student.
- If a student elects to bring a mobile phone to school, he/she does so at their own risk. The school will take no responsibility if the mobile if misplaced, broken or stolen.
- Parents needing to contact students on their mobile phone should do so only at recess or lunch. Any school related issues must go through the front office.
- Should a student remove a phone from its secure location during class time the teacher will confiscate the phone and will organize for the secure storage of the phone. The phone will remain in storage until a parent can come to collect the phone. Students will make sure their phone is switched off as it is handed in. The incident will be dealt with by the teacher as a discipline report.
- Should a student use the phone for bullying or inappropriate viewing, the phone will be immediately confiscated by the teacher, secured, and the incident dealt with as a serious breach of the School Discipline Policy.
- Students must ask permission from their teacher to use other electronic devices, such as mp3 players, in class.

Other types of electronic media:

The same procedures applying to the inappropriate use of mobile phones apply equally to the inappropriate use of all other portable media devices, such as PSP’s, ipods, MP3 players and similar devices.
Helping with swimming carnival:

☐ I am willing to assist at the 2016 Swimming Carnival

Name/s (as you would like on the Program)

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________________________________________________________________________

Please write the times that you are available

________________________________________________________________________

Please return by Friday, 5th February 2016

Mobile Phone Use
I hereby give my son/daughter/ward permission to bring their mobile phone/electronic device to school and register it at the Administration Office.

Details are as follows:
Student Name:( s) ..................................................................................

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Phone/Device Make and Model:
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Phone Number:
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☐ I have read the School’s Mobile Phone and Electronic Media Policy

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  Parent/Legal Guardian         Date

Please return by Friday, 5th February 2016

Lunch Pass Permission Note
I hereby consent to my son/daughter ............................................................... coming home for lunch on a daily basis for the 2016 school year.
Where my child is in Year 11/12 I give permission for him/her to go down the street however I understand that he/she must sign in and out through the Front Office.

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  Parent/Legal Guardian         Date
Scripture Classes /Church Services
I do not wish my child/ren

........................................................................................................ to attend the following:

☐ Scripture classes (please tick if appropriate)

☐ Church services (please tick if appropriate)

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Parent/Legal Guardian Date
Junior Jets Netball
The Junior Jets Netball Annual Meeting will be held next Wednesday 10th February at 5pm in the Ariah Park club house. Everyone is encouraged to attend. If your child is playing this year could you please contact Wendy at before the meeting as numbers need to be finalised as soon as possible.

CHRISTINE WISHART’S DANCE STUDIOS - TEMORA

CHRISTINE WISHART’S DANCE STUDIO WILL BE COMMENCING CLASSES ON WEDNESDAY, 3 FEBRUARY 2016 AT THE GUIDE HALL AND THE TEMORA TOWN HALL.

BALLET, TAP, JAZZ/HIP HOP, CONTEMPORARY AND HIGHLAND WILL BE HELD.

WE OFFER TAP EXAMS, EISTEDDFOD WORK, LOCAL PERFORMANCES AND END OF YEAR CONCERTS.

FOR ENROLMENTS AND ENQUIRIES PLEASE PHONE CHRISTINE WISHART ON 0269 426 201 or 0427 782 954

Ariah Park Preschool
Notice of Annual General Meeting of Ariah Park Preschool to be held Tuesday, 16th February at 7pm in the Preschool, Pitt St Ariah Park. All Welcome. General Meeting to follow.
Jo’s Pink Day
Raising Awareness
Saturday 5th March 2016

- Bike Ride
- Bowls
- Auction
- 100 Club
- More Details to Come

Save the date and come along
and enjoy a fun family day!

World’s Greatest Shave
I am participating in the World’s Greatest Shave for 2016. If you would like to sponsor me it would be greatly appreciated. You can sponsor me online at worldsgreatestshave.com or there is a donation box at the school front office. All money goes towards a hope of destroying leukaemia!
Rafferty Edis
JO’S PINK DAY- BIKE RIDE

WHEN: Saturday 5th March 2016
WHERE: Lake Arbortree to Ariah Park Bowling Club
TIME: 10.30am at the Lake Entrance for 11.00am Start
COST: GOLD COIN DONATION

If riders are unable to get their bike to the lake, transport will be available from the club at 10.15am. There will be support vehicles assisting riders on the day. Please take your own water bottle with you.

Names of riders need to be returned to APCS by Friday 4th March for catering purposes.

There will be a hotdog lunch available for purchase at the club after the ride.

For any enquiries please contact Karin Walker on 02 69741144

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I will ensure that a helmet is worn for the duration of the ride for my child/children

Signed: ___________________________________________________________

*****PRIZE FOR BEST DECORATED BIKE GIRL & BOY*****
WEST WYALONG JUNIOR BASKETBALL
REGISTRATION AFTERNOON THIS FRIDAY, 5th FEBRUARY 2016
LAST and only CHANCE to register!
4-00pm – 6.00pm at the Stadium
All new players are welcome!

All players will need to pay a $35.00 competition fee.
If your BNSW rego is due (now or shortly after the comp starts), you’ll need to pay that cost additionally to comp fees.
If you are 7 yrs and NOT turning 8 yrs anytime in 2016 your BNSW rego cost is $10

If you are turning 8-11 yrs anytime in 2016 your (subsidised) BNSW rego cost is $30 (normally $47)

If you are turning 12-17 yrs anytime in 2016 your (subsidised) BNSW rego cost is $40 (normally $63)

If you are turning 18 yrs anytime in 2016 your (subsidised) BNSW rego cost is $50 (normally $77)

• If you have 3 or more children participating, we will discount your fees by $10 per player.

The competition is to start on the Friday 19th August, 2016.

Current players are encouraged to register electronically by sending an email and paying fees direct to the Association account - please refer to your last email for instructions.
AUSSIE HOOPS
If your child would like to play Aussie Hoops on every Friday of our comp between 3.30 – 4.10pm please register online before 5th February.

* Please note - Your child must have turned 4 years old before 19th February 2016 to be able to register. Cost is $55 per new Aussie Hoops Registration (new pack included) or $30 for returning players (no pack included).

Visit our WWJBA website; http://www.foxsportspulse.com/assoc_page.cgi?c=1-10511-0-0-0

All new players are welcome!

If you have any questions, please contact Justine and Sheridan at the Registration day at the Sports Stadium, Friday 5th February between 4.00 and 6.00pm