FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Thank you to everyone who attended the school’s Open Day last Thursday. It was lovely to see so many people interested in visiting the classrooms. The Book Fair was popular with many purchases being made. It was perfect weather for the PBL celebration and there were many favourable comments about the cake, which was large enough for the crowd on Thursday and to be offered to students again the next day.

Thank you to everyone who brought along something to share for morning tea. When I saw how much food there was, I thought that we couldn’t possibly get through it all, but very little was left.

After morning tea, students took part in three different activities during which they demonstrated the school’s PBL values of being respectful, being responsible, being safe and being a learner. It was a very successful day.

Over the last couple of weeks the Student Representative Council has been running a raffle. They sold tickets during recess and lunch time and also during the school’s Open Day. A year 2 student, Ronin Walker, was the lucky winner and he won a large stuffed bee and some chocolates. Congratulations Ronin.

Last week a team of 21 students competed at the Highlands PSSA Athletics Carnival in Gundagai. Many of our students were successful in their events and two students will be going on to the Riverina Carnival on Friday 30 August. They are Ethan Contessa and Taylah Wilson. Well done everyone.

On Tuesday 13 August, our soccer team will be competing in the next round of the Small Schools’ State Soccer Knockout. The team will travel to Candelo, which is about a 3½ hour drive away. If they are successful, they will play in the next round, on their way to the final. Adelong Public did really well last year and won the State title and we hope that the team can do it again.

Tomorrow, some of our year 3, 4, 5 and 6 students will be going on a trip to the snow to Mt Selwyn. When they arrive they will be given their clothing and skis and take part in a skiing lesson. Once they learn the basics they will have fun trying out their skis. We hope that there will be a lot of snow!

We have some wonderful books in our school library and as a result of the purchases made during the Book Fair, more have been added. Recently however, it has been noticed that some of the books that have been borrowed, are being returned damaged. Some have been written on, pages have been torn or dog-eared, and some have been stained. How to care for books is reinforced regularly at school and children are reminded of their responsibilities towards school property. Please supervise your children’s care of the books, so that they can be enjoyed by others for many years to come. Books should be returned the week after they have been borrowed. If your child wishes to borrow the same book again, that is possible.

Regards

Julie Webber
WEEKLY CLASS MERIT AWARDS

**Term 3 Week 3**

- **K/1**
  - Sara Hannan
  - Seamus McMahon

- **1/2**
  - Lottie McMahon
  - Ronin Walker

- **3/4**
  - Xavier Curtis
  - Mason Crain

- **5/6**
  - Tahlia Mellen

BEE AWARDS

**Term 3 Week 3**

**16 Bees** - Congratulations to Konrad Tybussek for receiving his 16 Bee Award Certificate.

**32 Bees** – Congratulations to Jamie and Damon O’Brien, Bradley Wren, Mitchell Lawrence, James Rummery, Jace Wilson and Kyle Bennett who received their 32 Bee Award Certificates.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PBL)

**SCHOOL VALUES**

- BE RESPECTFUL
- BE RESPONSIBLE
- BE SAFE
- BE A LEARNER

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School class and individual photos were sent home last week. If you did not receive yours please contact the school or Master School Portraits.

Captains, Vice Captains and House Leaders can place an order for their group photos at a cost of $10.00 each. This order will be placed on Friday 30 August.

If you wish to order any of these group photos please sent your payment to school prior to Friday 30 August.
CLASS 1/2 NEWS

Class 1/2 is busily practising their routines for the upcoming Great Adelong Circus Production. Along with practising their moves, during art and craft, they have been making horses for one of their routines. The children look forward to showing off their efforts on 22nd August. For sport the children are enjoying tennis lessons with Birdie, learning many valuable skills.

During science, the students have completed a unit on animals. They have looked at the different movements, senses, food and habitats and some of the differences between animals and humans. To finish the unit, students created an information poster on an animal of their choice.

They have now begun a unit about renewable energy, with a focus on wind, water and solar energy.

Reminder – Headlice

Please check your child’s hair regularly and treat as necessary. Regular inspection will assist in keeping occurrences to a minimum.

PAYMENTS

At various times, payments are requested for school activities and equipment. Below is a list of current payments:

- Book contribution - $40/student
- Tennis lessons - $21/student
- Snow Trip – Cost varies according to equipment requirements
- K/1/2 excursion - $16.50/student
- Class 5/6 camp - $325.00

If there are any difficulties at the moment and you are unable to pay, please contact the office so that a payment plan and / or assistance can be given.

Radio News

Our presenters for Tuesday 20 August will be Zac Maher and William Gain.

PERFORMANCE COSTUME SEWING

WOW! What a great role up this morning. Thank you to Karella Rennes, Cathy Newlan, Carol Jeffrey, Lorraine McMahon, Bev Buckley, Heli Alkumaa, Elizabeth Smith, Angela and Benjy Dierkx, Fiona and Nerrelle Annetts, Rosie Annetts-Mitchell and Sherryn Maher who all helped today with cutting and sewing for our whole school performance and to Margaret Brown as well for her help during the week.

STUDENT MEDICAL INFORMATION UPDATE

During Terms 3 and 4 we will be updating our medical records systems to ensure we have the most up-to-date information on your child’s health. This is a state wide requirement happening in all our schools.

If you have a child with a medical condition known to us you will receive a copy of the new forms. You will need to fill them out and return them to the school as soon as possible.

If your child has been recently diagnosed with a medical condition (ie; asthma, allergies, etc) please contact the office so that a form can be sent home and completed.

These new forms will help us collect your child’s important medical information and the introduction of new systems will mean we’ll be able to better manage the daily and emergency health needs of your child.

We appreciate your support as we start collecting the information, and if you have any questions please call.
2013 MOUNT SELWYN SKI TRIP
Itinerary Wednesday 7 August

- 7.45 am Students arrive at school
- 8.00 am Depart Adelong
- 9.45 am Arrive at Mt Selwyn, outfitted with skis, morning tea, etc
- 11.00 am Group ski lesson
- 12.30 pm Check in with teachers have names marked off and have a quick lunch
- 3.00 pm Return from ski slopes to have names marked off before changing and returning gear.
- 4.00 pm approx. Departure from Mt Selwyn
- 5.30 pm approx. Arrival at Adelong Public School

Students MUST bring several layers of clothing (to adjust to a range of temperatures) including two pairs of socks, waterproof gloves, sunscreen, a hat to cover the ears, sunglasses or goggles, snacks, lunch (there is a kiosk, but prices tend to be high), drinks and a good sense of humour.

DISTRICT ATHELETIC CARNIVAL RESULTS
Last week’s carnival results will be available tomorrow.

LIVE LIFE WELL
Accompanying the newsletter is an information sheet about fruit and vegetables and types of drinks for healthy living.
This is the first of the sheets that will be sent home, providing up-to-date information about a healthy eating and physical activity.

P&C and CANTEEN NEWS
Canteen Roster
Friday 9 August: Karella Rennes and Kerrie McDonald

Pie Drive
Pie orders will be available to pick up on Tuesday 13 August from 1.00 pm at the school library.

SRC RAFFLE WINNER
Congratulations to Ronin Walker who won the SRC, PBL Raffle last week.