Welcome to week 9 of Term 4.

Thank you to everyone who took part in the easy fundraising event on Thursday 26 November from 11:30-12:30pm at the Charles Sturt University. By all reports you enjoyed eating the steak.

On the Wednesday 25 November, the fundraising committee from 3/4/5/6 sold a bag of lollies at 1:00pm (after lunch had been eaten) for $1 per bag. We raised $30 towards the year 6 present after costs were taken out.

Movie Night. What a great night! Thank you to all who attended Wagga Public School on 26 November where students from 3/4/5/6 presented persuasive arguments through creative visual text about what is good about attending small schools. It was fantastic to see so many people turn up and walk down the red carpet. All of the presentations were creative and it is obvious the students enjoyed creating them.

I would like to send a copy of these presentations home with the students who made them and use one or two on our website. Please contact the school if you have any concerns about this by Wednesday 2 December.

On Tuesday 1 December we will be having our farewell cake for the students and on Thursday 3 December, a morning tea for the families who are leaving us this year and student reports will go home. That evening, (3 December) at 6:30pm our Presentation Night will be held at Wagga Wagga Public School hall. Students are to wear full school uniform on the night.

On Friday 4 December the School Parliament will be holding a fair from 1:30-2:45pm at the school. All parliamentarians will run a stall for the students to enjoy. This is their major fundraiser for the year and all funds raised will either benefit the students through the purchase of some equipment or be donated to local charities. Parents are welcome to come and join in the fun. In this newsletter, students have asked for donations to assist with running the fair.

On Thursday 10 December, the Small Schools’ year 6 farewell dinner and dance will be held at The Boat Club. During the day the final committee for 3/4/5/6 will be selling ice cream and topping for $1.00 after students have eaten lunch.

Our Blue Level reward of a sausage in bread will be held on Friday 11 December and on Monday 14 December Gold Level students will go to Jump and Putt. Thank you to our P&C for sponsoring these.

St Vincents de Paul has asked us for donations of food and gifts to be distributed to local families prior to Christmas. A box is now in the office for these donations.

The last day of school for students is Wednesday 15 December 2015.

Regards Lyn

have a nice day!
**DIARY**

Term 4 - November

December
1 - Creative Catchment Kids launch @ Ladysmith Sch 10.00 am
- Farewell cake for students leaving this yr
3 - Presentation Evening @ Wagga Public School Hall, 6.30 pm
- Reports home
- WWHS Yr6 Orientation
- DSTA farewell morning
4 - SCHOOL FAIR DAY
6 - Kapooka community Christmas party, 4-7 pm see flyer on back page
10 - Year 6 dinner @ Boat club @ 6.30 pm. RSVP required.
11 - BLUE level reward
14 - GOLD level reward
16 - Students last day
17 - Staff Development day
18 - Staff Development day

January 2016
11 - Uniform shop, 11.00 am
25 - Uniform shop, 11.00 am
27 - Staff return
28 - Students return, Yrs 1-6
29 - Kindergarten begins.

March 2016
7 - School photo day.

School Banking - Friday
Uniform shop - Friday from 9:15 am to 9.30 am
NO EFTPOS available only CASH or CHEQUE

Kapooka School APP
http://www.myschools.com
Username - community
Password - kapookaps

**AWARDS:**

Table Champions: Frazer, Ben, Clay

Congratulations to all the above students. Well Done!

**SCHOOL NEWS:**

- Work Book Fees. Those families who have still not paid their children’s work book fees, would you please do so immediately. Letters were sent home with your child on Friday.
- Year 6 farewell dinner, RSVP’s were due in last Friday, if you still have not replied would you please do so immediately by contacting the school.
- Reminder - our school Presentation evening is on this Thursday 3rd December at Wagga Public School hall (Gurwood Street—across from Commercial Club) at 6.30 pm. Students to wear their school summer.
- DONATIONS - see note below please.
- St Vincent de Paul charity - donations are still being accepted for this. Goods may be put in the box in the office. A very big thank you to those families who have already made a donation.

**P & C NEWS:**

- Uniform Shop - the uniform shop will open during the school holidays for new families arriving in town and parents who find those summer clothes are now too small. Monday 11th January, 11.00 am and Monday 25th January, 11 am.
- A big thank you to all those involved in the meat tasting session at CSU on Thursday
- Chocolate roster person is:
  - Jordon Roberts 1st December
  - Brina Hopkins 8th December
  - Charis Richardson 15th December

**Awards:**

Table Champions:
Frazer, Ben, Clay

Congratulations to all the above students. Well Done!

**ICE CREAM DAY**

Thursday 10th December
Ice cream with toppings @ $1.00 each.
Limit of one per student.

**DONATIONS**

Parents we are in need of some donations for our School Fair day on Friday 4th Dec.
- Plain cup cakes for decorating and judging
- Small chocolates for our duck on the pond stall
- Small toys for our duck on the pond stall

Thank you for your help.

**PCYC Vacation Care - 2016**

Win a week of care FREE
You must book a minimum of 3 days of vacation care to be eligible for the promotion.
Monday 4th - Friday 8th January
Monday 11th - Friday 16th January
Monday 18th - Friday 22nd January
For further information on the program activities or for a booking form, call 6921 5873 or email waggacc@peycnsw.org.au
Welcome -
This week we welcome Aidan (year 5) and Connor (year 1) and their family to our school. We hope you enjoy your time with us!

'Getting Ready to Move' group -
Just a reminder that ‘Getting Ready to Move’ group finished last week. However if your child is experiencing any difficulties in preparing for their upcoming move, please let me know.

Farewell Cake -
This Tuesday the school will be having a farewell cake, for all the children who are leaving (but there will be plenty of cake for all!) It’s a ritual the children really enjoy. Photos will be in the newsletter next week!

Parents farewell morning tea -
This Thursday Lyn and myself are hosting a morning tea to farewell parents who are leaving us this year. We'll meet in the park from 9.15-10-15am. If it's wet, we'll meet in the school's library. We'd love to see you there!

Cyber safety -
With the school holidays just around the corner, it is a timely reminder to ensure your children are aware of their own safety when online. The Australian Government has a website called ‘E-safety’ which “is designed to support and encourage participation in the digital economy by providing information and education which empowers children to be safe online”. It has plenty of tips for young children, children (8 to 12 yrs), teens (13-18 year) and parents, on topics such as:

- Cyber bullying
- Digital footprints
- Netiquette
- Offensive content
- Online games
- Social networking and online friends.

See www.esafety.gov.au more information.

Kind regards, Thérèse
therese.mctavish1@det.nsw.edu.au

Sebastian receiving a thank you present from Annie for community service. Sebastian feeds the Kapooka Early Childhood Centre’s chooks each weekend and holiday break.

Mrs Eacott presents Matilda W with our FIRST GOLD level for 2015. Kyah was also presented with GOLD level.

Ms van Dijk’s class, K/1 running the assembly. Wyatt reading his story to the school assembly.
Blamey Community Group is delighted to invite you to our last big event of 2015:

The Kapooka Community
Christmas Party!

When: 4pm to 7pm,
Sunday 6th December 2015
Where: Kapooka Community Centre
RSVP: via Blamey Community Group
Facebook page
or to bcgcommittee@gmail.com
**Advise number of pre-purchase ride tickets you will require**

Food & Drink
BBQ - Sausage Sizzle & Steak Sangas for purchase
Soft drink & water for sale
Bring a salad or dessert to share

Entertainment
Jumping castle (pre-purchase unlimited ticket for $5.00 per child, or $10.00 on the day)
Pony rides - $5.00 per ride
Games & Activities and water play (for big and small)
Park cricket (if enough numbers keen to play)
Raffles & Lucky Door Prizes

What is a pedestrian access point?
A pedestrian access point to a building is defined in section 64(2) of the Smoke-free Environment Act 2000. An entrance to or exit from a building for use by pedestrians, but does not include:
(a) an entrance to or exit from a building that is used only for residential purposes (including a boarding house and a building in a caravan park);
(b) an entrance to or exit from a building that is used partly for residential purposes and partly for other purposes if the entrance or exit concerned is used solely for entry to or exit from that part of the building that is used for residential purposes; or
(c) an emergency exit that is locked to entry.

What is the entrance to or exit from a building?
The entrance to or exit from a building is generally the doorway that leads to or from the building. For example, a doorway that leads into an office building from a public street or the public entry into a library or art gallery.

What if the premises have a courtyard or garden?
Sometimes premises will have a front courtyard between the building and the public street. Alternatively, premises may have a back garden or courtyard between the building and a public street.
Where such front or back courtyards or gardens exist, the entrance or exit will generally be the doorway into or out of the building itself.

What is a smoke-free area?
A smoke-free area is any non-residential building, such as:
- professional, trade, commercial and other business premises;
- local, NSW and federal Government premises;
- shopping centres, malls and places;
- restaurants, cafés, hotels and clubs;
- schools, colleges and universities;
- community centres, halls and places of worship;
- hospitals, cinemas, libraries and galleries;
- accommodation hotels and motels;
- fitness centres, bowling alley and other sporting and recreational buildings; and
- childcare facilities.

Is a residential building a public building?
Buildings used only for residential purposes such as private houses or multi-unit residential accommodation (such as boarding houses, buildings in caravan parks and residential accommodation in community or strata schemes) are not covered by the ban on smoking within 4 metres of a pedestrian access point to a building.
Buildings that have multiple uses, such as residential and commercial purposes, will be subject to the ban on smoking within 4 metres of the building pedestrian entrance or exit only at those entrances and exits which are used for non-residential purposes.

**SMOKE-FREE GUIDE:**
No smoking within 4 metres of a pedestrian access point to a building

**For more information**
Please contact the Tobacco Information Line on 1800 357 412 or visit the NSW Health website: www.health.nsw.gov.au

The Tobacco Information Line can be accessed by non-English speaking people via the Translation and Interpreting Service (TIS) on 13 14 50.