Welcome to week 9 of Term 2.

We had a very successful first day of the 3/4/5/6 committee selling **hot chocolate** at lunchtime. This will continue for the next two weeks, **tomorrow 16 June and 23 June**. The money will be used by Year 6 to purchase a present for the school.

3/4/5/6 has been involved in **video conference debates** with our Small Schools’ network during this term. The students have developed their skills in speaking clearly, being persuasive and researching and using their general knowledge about a topic to develop arguments. Being able to listen to another speaker and rebut their argument has been the main challenge and one the students have risen to. Using technology to connect our schools is an area we are developing and so far it has been very successful. We have one more debate this term with Ladysmith.

Next Tuesday, 23 June, **K/1 will be participating in an excursion** to Junee to support their learning about transport. They will travel by bus and train, visit the Junee Chocolate/Licorice Factory and the Roundhouse. I am sure they will all enjoy their day.

Next Wednesday, 24 June, **student reports** will be sent home in a folder with some examples of your child’s learning this semester. Please enjoy and share these over the holidays with friends and relatives. We ask that the folder be returned to school the first week of term three so that we can put learning examples from semester two into it ready to send home at the end of the year. The folder is yours to keep at the end of the year.

This week will see the teaching staff participating in **professional learning**. On Monday (15 June) the staff will take it in turns to be off class completing the next series of lessons about Disability Standards. On Tuesday (16 June) Mrs Driscoll and Mrs Hounsell will attend training on our new Science Syllabus and on Friday morning (19 June) staff will complete the third and final face to face session for the online Autism Training we have been doing. Participating in relevant professional learning is essential for all staff to remain current in their teaching and supporting every student in the school to achieve their best possible outcomes.

**K/1 Assembly** will be held in the library at 2:30pm on Friday 19 June

Regards **Lyn**
**DIARY**

Term 2 - June
15 - MAHS girls night in 4-6pm
17 - MAHS Yr 7 taster day
19 - Canberra excursion payment due - $40.00
   - Assembly K/1, 2.30pm
24 - Reports home
25 - Mobile Library, 11.30-1.00
26 - Last day of Term 2
29 - June to 10 July School holidays.

School Holidays from Monday 29th June until Friday 10th July inclusive

Term 3 - July
13 - Staff Development day
14 - Students return to school
28 - P & C meeting, 7pm

EDUCATION WEEK 27-31st July 2015
30 - P&C Meeting, 9.15am
31 - Assembly by 3/4/5/6

August
17-21 - Book Week
31 - Riverina PSSA Athletics

September
2-4 - Canberra exc for 4/5/6
10 - School concert night

Term 4 - November
26-29 - CHORDS week

December
3 - Presentation Evening

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School Banking - Friday

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

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Kapooka School APP
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**AWARDS:**

Table Champions: Stage 2 Maths - Frazer and Skylah

Merit Certificates: Class 1/2 - Hayley, Charlotte, Mathilda, Julie-May, Dayah and Jackson

Student of the week: Class 1/2 - Taylor and Nikki

**SCHOOL NEWS:**

- TISSUES - we are asking each family to donate a box of tissues to our classroom stock. Generic labels are fine.
- Mount Austin High School Taster day is on this Wednesday, 17th June from 9.45-12 noon. This is a great opportunity for Year 6 students to experience High School. Transport is by your own arrangements. Please return the permission note by TOMORROW.
- Student’s lunches. We have had quite a few students coming to school without any lunch/sandwiches. Students need to eat at lunch time and we do not operate a canteen on a daily basis for ordering. Please make sure your child has their fruit break, recess and lunch packed into their school bag before leaving home.

**COMMUNITY NEWS:**

Kids FREE school holiday fun day - Monday 6th July from 10-12noon at Ashmont Baptist Church Hall, Malta Crescent, Ashmont. There will be face painting, coloured hair spray, clowns, puppet show, skit, balloon models, dress ups and games. Morning tea provided. Please come and join in our fun.

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Blamey Community Centre - EMS (emergency services) day on 26 June from 2-4.30pm.
- Police-stranger danger
- SES - Wagga - display
- SES - Murrumbidgee with "Paddy the Platypus"
- RFS - Wagga - Display
- Fire Service - KMA

We plan to start with the Police (Stranger Danger & crime prevention), then RFS (showcase equipment and program), followed by show and tell with vehicles/trucks waiting outside. All Kapooka Sch families invited.

**P & C NEWS:**

- Our next P & C meeting will be held on TUESDAY NIGHT, 28th July at 7.00pm in the Art/craft room. Everyone including children are welcome.

Chocolate roster person is:
Rachael Fox (16th June)
Jordon Roberts (23rd June)

**PERSONAL NEWS:**

Ruth Starke
Robert Hannaford

MY GALLIPOLI

The cover of a beautiful book donated to the school by our local National Member of Parliament, Mr Michael McCormack.

Riverina PSSA Congratulations to Taylah Gardiner (yr 4) who competed in the Riverina Cross Country last Thursday (11th June) at Gundagai. Taylah came 17th in her age group.

HOT CHOCOLATE DAYS

3/4/5/6 committee are serving hot (warm) chocolate on Tuesday 16th and Tuesday 23rd June
$1.00 per cup OR $1.50 per cup with 2 marshmallows
DSTA NEWS:

News from Blamey Community Group:

On Tuesday 16 June “We invite you to come and enjoy Well Being & Resilience Info Session” at the centre. We are very pleased to announce that we will have some special guests joining us for this information session. Our special guest is Lyn Reilly from Centacare.

Lyn will be here to discuss some techniques regarding coping with this posting. This will be a great opportunity discuss concerns with resilience. We encourage everyone to come along and join the BCG Committee in welcoming our special guests to this information session. Please bring a plate to share.”

Wagga Holiday fun!

Wagga City Library events -

School Holiday Fun - Looking for a place to chill out and relax for a few hours in the holidays? Mondays to Saturdays in the school holidays, Wagga City Library provides FREE board games, Xbox Kinect, colouring activities, WiFi, and of course, books! Bring a coffee and relax in the children's area while the kids get busy. Where: Wagga City Library - Children's Area. When: Mondays to Saturdays in the Winter School Holidays (June 29th - July 11th) Information: 02 6926 9700 No bookings required.

Library Legoland - Library Lego is back. Come to the library and find out what your imagination and hundreds of little coloured bricks can come up with. Guarantee your place by booking for one of the two sessions. Children must be aged 5yrs or older and parents/carers are welcome to stay. Where: Wagga City Library, Community Learning Space When: Thursday 9th July, 10.30am & 2pm Bookings Essential: 02 6926 9700. This is a FREE event

‘What’s on in Wagga’ brochure online

DSTA hours
I will be on leave from next week until the start of term 3.
My hours will now only be displayed on the DSTA noticeboard at the beginning of each week, instead of in the newsletter. I will endeavour to have my hours displayed one week ahead of schedule. If you would like to know when I am working and can’t make it into school, please email me at therese.mctavish1@det.nsw.edu.au or call the school office on 6931 2703.

Enjoy your holidays! I look forward to seeing you all in term 3.

Kind regards,

Thérèse (Therese.mctavish1@det.nsw.edu.au)