Welcome to week 9 of Term 3.

It is dance concert week and we are all getting very excited. The concert will be held at Wagga Wagga Public School’s hall, Gurwood Street (opposite the Commercial Club) on Thursday 10 September beginning at 6:30pm. Your child is looking forward to being able to perform for you at this time.

K/1 will be hosting our assembly this Friday, 11 September in the library at 2:30pm. We would enjoy seeing you there.

Last week the whole school attended the performance of the 26 Storey Tree House at the Civic Theatre on Monday 31 August. All of the staff who accompanied the students were proud of the way they conducted themselves on the bus and at the theatre. Judging from the laughter the students also enjoyed the production. Take time to have a look at the wonderful display 1/2 have made for our foyer.

Last week a letter came home to the parents of students in years 4, 5 and 6 about their participation in the Tell Them from Me Survey. These students completed the survey at the beginning of the year and it is now time to do it again. Parents will also be given the opportunity in the first two weeks of next term to complete the parent survey. Teaching staff will also be completing the survey. The surveys will provide us with valuable feedback from the students, community and staff about student engagement with learning. Please let me know if your child from years 4, 5 and 6 has not given you this letter.

Attached also is information about how you can become involved in the survey. We would like to encourage every family whether or not you are posting to participate so that we may plan for future student engagement in learning. The log on details are attached and the survey is open until 16 October 2015, if you would like to use a school computer please contact the school as we are happy for this happen.

At the Riverina Athletics carnival held in Albury, both Kyah (yr5) and Bethony (yr6) had a successful and enjoyable day. Kyah placed 4th in high jump for her age group and Bethony ran her best against girls with much longer legs! We congratulate both of these students for competing at this level in athletics.

On 1 September, all of our year 5 students attended the Year 5 Talented Students Day at the Riverina Environmental Education Centre (REEC). They launched rockets and enjoyed using the microscopes. Look in the newsletter next week for a report on this activity.

Years 4-6 went on an excursion to Canberra from 2-4 September. The knowledge they gained in a fun and practical way from this excursion brought to life the learning they had been doing in class. They are to be commended for their behaviour with the bus driver and many of the venues complimenting them for the enthusiastic and sensible way they participated in all of the activities. The highlight I believe was Zone 3 lazer tag! Full reports will be in our final newsletter for the term.

On 7 and 14 September, 3/4/5/6 will be visited by Tristan from Royal Life Saving. Tristan will be talking to the class about safety around inland water ways. A report recently found that ‘rivers account for more drownings than beaches or swimming pools and that the Murrumbidgee River is one of the ten top drowning black spots around Australia, coming in at number six. With summer coming, this is a timely reminder to keep safe around water.

Our last week of term is very busy. On Tuesday 15 September our year 3 and 4 students have the opportunity to participate in Milo Cricket at Bolton Park and on Wednesday 16 September this same opportunity is offered to our years 5 and 6 students. We will be playing teams made up of the schools from our Wagga Small Schools network. Year 6 students have the opportunity of attending the Riverina Environmental Education Centre for the Talented Year 6 day and the whole school will travel to Uranquinty for a Wagga Small Schools Touch Day. A note with a lunch order was sent home for this last week. Lunch orders are due in by this Wednesday 9 September with no late orders accepted. If you do not get permission notes when they are sent home, they are available from the office or for printing from our app and website.

On the afternoon of 16 September, all staff will once again be involved in asthma training to ensure that we continue to be an Asthma Friendly School.

Thank you to the families who have donated tissues to the school. If you would still like, donations of boxes of tissues would still be greatly appreciated. We are happy to accept them at any time throughout the year too.

Regards Lyn
**DIARY**

**Term 3 - September**
10 - School concert night + Father’s day raffle draw
11 - ASSEMBLY, K/1, 2.30pm
- Mt Austin dance group
14 - Water Safety, 3/4/5/6
15 - MILO cricket, yrs 3 & 4
16 - MILO cricket, yrs 5 & 6
17 - Ms van Dijk on leave
- REEC Talented Yr 6
18 - Touch Football @ Uranquinty School

**Term 4 - October**
5 - Public Holiday
6 - School resumes
15 - School Parliament 12.15
16 - ASSEMBLY 3/4/5/6 2.30
22 - P&C meeting, 9.15am
20-29 - CHORDS week
29 - Kinder Orientation day
30 - CANTEEN - morning tea

**November**
5 - Kinder Orientation day
6 - ASSEMBLY 1/2, 2.30
7/8 - CAR BOOT SALE
12 - Kinder Orientation day
13 - Uniform shop CLOSED
19 - School Parliament 12.15
20 - CANTEEN - lunch
27 - Uniform shop CLOSED
- ASSEMBLY K/1, 2.30pm

**December**
3 - Presentation Evening
- Reports home
- WWHS Yr6 Orientation
10 - Year 6 dinner
11 - BLUE level reward
14 - GOLD level reward
16 - Students last day
17 - Staff Development day
18 - Staff Development day

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

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

**AWARDS:** BLUE level Certificate - Khloe Mc, Raelene, Frazer

*Congratulations to all the above students. Well Done!*

**SCHOOL NEWS:**
- Work Book Fees. Please pay your child’s work book fees Unfortunately there fees still outstanding.
- POSTINGS - if you know you are leaving us, please advise the office.
- ENROLMENTS - we are taking kindergarten and other grade enrolments for 2016 now. If you would like an enrolment form, please contact the office. If you have a sibling beginning school next year, please let us know and collect an enrolment form. This information is very important for class construction for 2016.
- ASSEMBLY - run by K/1, Friday 11th September.
- 3/4 MILO cricket - Tuesday 15th September. Bus pickups at 9.10 & 2.15pm
- Touch Football day at Uranquinty School on Friday 18th September. Lunch order due by this Wednesday, 9th September.

**P&C NEWS:**
- Girls WINTER TUNICS - Please return tunics by end of term to Mel on Uniform shop days and not the office to receive your refundable $10.00 hire fee.
- MASTERS BBQ - 24th October. 2hr shifts, unless you bring children under 5 with you, then it will be a 1hr shift. Please help on the day to lighten the load.
- CAR BOOT SALE - 7TH or 8TH November (TBC) - Please advise your interest.
- Raffle Tickets. ARE DUE BACK NOW. The raffle will be drawn at our concert on Thursday 10th September. A prize for who sells the most tickets. Chocolate roster person is:
  - Jordon Roberts 8th September
  - Brina Hopkins 15th September
  - Charis Richardson 22nd September

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**What’s on Wagga Wagga -**
- Eat local Thursday 10, 17 and 24 - 2.30 to 6.30pm at Murrumbidgee Turf Club, Travers Street.
- Veggie swap or buy, every Saturday 9-12noon, gardens, corner Albury and Shaw St, Wagga.
- Miniature Railway, Sunday 20 September, 10.30-4pm, $2.00 per ride, enclosed foot ware.
- Farmers’ Market, Saturday 12 September, 8-1pm, in front of Civic Theatre, Wollundry Lagoon.
- Art on the levee, Saturday, 12 September, 9-2pm, Tarcutta Street levee bank.
DSTA NEWS:

RUOK? Morning Tea - It was fantastic to see so many people attend our morning tea on 26 August. Lyn and I enjoyed catching up with you all. Thank you to the 1RTB padre, Andrew Robinson, for calling in as well. The official 'RUOK? Day' is on this Thursday 10 September. For further details, please go to 'www.ruok.org.au/our-story'; or pop in to see me.

Henry’s school visit - Last Wednesday, Henry, our 3 week old poddy lamb, came to school to visit K, 1, 2, 3. Henry was delighted to see all the children (as they were to see him) and he immediately approached them to see if any of them had his bottle of milk! Henry then showed them how efficient he was in drinking his milk and was happy for the children to pat him.

My husband (who bought Henry to school) commented on how well behaved and well mannered the children were, so I’d like to pass this compliment on to all our parents and staff who are shaping the most wonderful next generation.

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

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MILO in2CRICKET at Lake Albert Cricket Club
MILO in2CRICKET introduces boys and girls from Kindergarten, Yr 1, and Yr 2, to the game of cricket, one of Australia’s favourite sports. Once participants register they will take part in a fun, inclusive and active-packed 8 week program. Each participant will receive a fantastic MILO in2CRICKET backpack, hat, bat, t-shirt, drink bottle and Milo giveaway.

Wednesday, 5 pm to 6 pm
14th October to 24th December, 2015
Rawlings Park, Angel Street, Lake Albert

Cost: $75.00

Register now at http://www.mirolacrickets.com.au

Enter Lake Albert Bulls or 2650 under 'SICK UP HERE' and click on 'GO'.

Contact: Royce Hess, MILO Cricket Coordinator 0427 121 000

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Legacy Week - Sunday 30 August to Saturday 5 September

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Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way...

to pack a healthy lunch box.

Packing a healthy lunch box is one way to get your kids eating the right amount of fruit and veg. There are a few ways of making healthy lunch boxes hassle free:

- Pack the night before, so it’s not a rush in the morning.
- Always pack a serve of fruit: chopped or sliced for younger kids, or a fruit salad for a change.
- Always pack a serve of veg: think sliced vegie sticks, hummus or vegie dip, left over roast vegies.
- Include salad on your child’s sandwich – every bit counts!
- Include wholegrains and a serve of protein (lean meats, eggs and tofu all count)
- Add a serve of dairy and a bottle of water.

Remember to aim for five serves of veg, and two serves of fruit every day!

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit
Tell Them From Me: Partners in Learning survey

You’re invited to participate in the Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning survey designed for parents and carers. This survey complements the TTFM student and teacher surveys, which focus on student engagement, wellbeing and effective teaching practices. All Department of Education schools have the opportunity to participate if they choose.

Why should I participate?
Parents and carers are an important and valued part of the school community. Schools can use survey feedback to make practical improvements and inform school planning.

What does it involve?
This online survey takes about 15 minutes to complete. It is anonymous and voluntary. If you have more than one child at this school, and feel that your children’s experiences differ, you can complete the survey more than once.

How can I participate?
You can access the survey in your own time, between 17 August and 16 October 2015. Follow the link below on your computer or tablet:

1. Login in: www.tellthemfromme.com
2. Your School’s Parent Username = parent18492
3. Your School’s Parent Password = Kap3923

More information on the Partners in Learning survey can be found on the NSW Department of Educations’ TTFM website: http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/
Canberra excursion

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Parliament House

Australian War Memorial

Old Parliament House