

## Newsletter

### Dates for the Diary

August 2022	
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Open Day and Assembly P&C Meeting – 2.30pm
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Football/Netball Carnival Working Bee
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Football/Netball Carnival
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	K-2 Excursion to Albury
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Assembly
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Book Week Parade
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 'Taster' Day at Billabong High School

#### From the Principal's Desk

Welcome to Semester 2, with both classes having settled really well into routines, both new and old. We have a couple of new dates for the calendar:

- Wednesday, 17th August: K-2 excursion to Albury as part of the Walbundrie Small Schools Network – notes to come on this as soon as we receive them from the organising school.
- Wednesday, 24th August – Year 6 'Taster' day at Billabong High School – permission notes were sent home on Tuesday.

This week we have welcomed our new GA, Mr Dave Hewson, to our staff. He is really looking forward to helping us keep our grounds beautiful and welcoming.

Yours in lifelong learning,  
Angela Stanton  
Relieving Principal

P & C



Having a P&C at any school is fantastic – we are really spoilt by having such an interested and active P&C! All of their hard work means that we are able to provide extra experiences and resources for all of our students.

Their annual Football & Netball Carnival is rapidly approaching, with a lot of planning and organising taking place. We hope as many parents as possible can attend the following:

- *P & C Meeting on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> August at 2:30 (it will start after the Education Week assembly)*
- *Carnival working bee on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> August from 9am*
  - *Carnival Day – Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> August 2022*

## Principals Award

At each assembly, there will now be a Principal's Award – the recipient will be selected after nominations from staff and we are noting social and academic behaviours in our students.

A huge congratulations to Georgia who is our first recipient for

*Displaying an outstanding work ethic and a willingness to accept learning challenges.*



## Attendance

All students are expected to be at school unless they are sick. As part of compliance, the school has regular visits from the Home School Liaison Officer who reviews absences and the reasons for them.



Education

We understand that, at times, families have to take advantage of the cycle of activities in farm life and travel activity accommodation. If you are going to be away for more than three school days on leave, can we please ask that you contact the school for an 'Application for Extended Leave' form to complete before you go away so that your child/ren's leave is approved.

## Yindymarra Excursion

There were some very tired students after they walked the 5km of the sculpture walk! There was, as well, some excited talk about the sculptures and all of the fascinating birds that we saw. On behalf of all of the staff, thank you to the parents who drove students to this excursion (& those who stayed for the walk) and joined us for our pizza picnic.



## Absence Notes

If your child is not at school, please contact us with an explanation as soon as possible on the day they are absent. Absence notes can be submitted using the Skool Loop app, by email, by telephone (we have an answering machine so you can leave a message at any time) or send a note with a sibling if appropriate.

Please **do not** write sick on your note. A brief explanation is required ie headache, gastro etc. If your child arrives at school late or is leaving early, please come in to the office and sign the attendance register. Again, an explanation is required. Thank you.

## Multi-Purpose Court



Great excitement at lunchtime yesterday when everyone was allowed on the new multi-purpose court! There were some excellent ball skills on show as well kindness and inclusion amongst our students.





## PBL Winners



Congratulations to Taryn, Georgia, Isaac and Taya who were the lucky students whose tickets were drawn out last week for showing kindness, respect and giving their best effort.

This Friday, students will be cooking recess to share celebrating having received enough tickets to fill the box in the foyer.

## Education Week

A reminder that next Friday is our Open Day for Education Week – come and join us for part, of all of the day – we would love to see you! Our plan for the day is.....

9:00 - reading and writing activities in classrooms

10:00 – sport

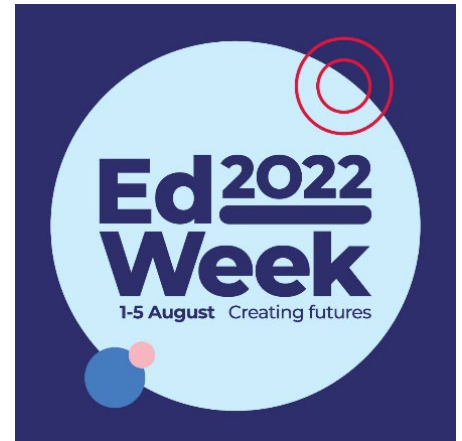
11:00 - picnic lunch: don't forget you can order lunch!

11:45 – paper plane making and flying competition

1:20 – recess: come and play with our students!

1:50 – maths games and activities in classrooms

2:35 – assembly



## Getting Ready for Book Week

This week we have started to share the shortlisted books for Book Week 2022 and discussing our opinions on them. The Wallaby class shared 'Winston and the Indoor Cat'. In this story, both of the cats try out each other's world, but the Indoor Cat discovers it doesn't like adventure and Winston discovers that he does not like being pristine – unless it is raining! The class all thought there were good and bad things about each cat's life. Our students then showed off their sculpturing skills by creating cats out of play doh!



## Premiers Reading Challenge

A reminder the Premiers Reading Challenge closes on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August. If your child is participating in the challenge, please ensure their reading record is completed by this date.

## Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic book orders are due on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2022.

## Library Books

We currently have a lot of overdue library books. Could you please check if you have any school library books at home and return them as soon as possible. Students with overdue books will not be able to borrow until they are returned.

## K-2 Class News

In English students have learning about informative texts. We have been researching facts about wallabies and koalas. Students have been writing and typing factual sentences. We have found out so many interesting things. Did you know there are 30 different species of wallabies? We have also been doing buddy reading with the class. Students read to and listen to a different student each time.



# Community News

## Riverina Regional Library



Library times for this semester have changed. The mobile library will now arrive at school at 12:15pm and leave at 1:15pm. The truck will be here on:

- August 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>
- September 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>
- October 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>
- November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>
- December 14<sup>th</sup>