



Ariah Park Central School Newsletter

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Week B

Week 7 Term 4

*Please don't forget to sign in when
visiting the school - thank you*

From the Principal's Desk

Welcome to Week 7 of Term 4.

Blake Harper

We wish Blake all the best with the Riverina Boys' PSSA (Primary School Sports Association) cricket team that will be competing at the State Carnival in Armidale this week. A fine achievement to represent Riverina in three different sports in one year!

Girls' Evening

There is a girl's evening organised for Thursday. Any enquiries should be directed to Mrs Drumore.

What's on this Week:

Monday

Boys' PSSA cricket in Armidale all week
Executive meeting after school

Tuesday

Work, Health and Safety meeting
Girls' meeting

Wednesday

Anne-Maree Moore here for Ian Harris visual tools professional learning follow-up.

Thursday

Ian Harris visual tools professional learning continues
Kindergarten excursion to Wagga

Friday

Whole School Assembly, including volunteers' morning tea to follow assembly

Tullibigeal art excursion

Miss Daniher away

Presentation Night meeting at lunch time.

Did You Know?

What were they thinking? In 1915 someone made a silent movie version of the opera Carmen and: the saguaro cactus can grow 4 stories high, weigh 10 tons and live 200 years.

Until next week.

Peter Morse

Principal

Diary

Note: Items in bold indicate new items

THIS WEEK (Week 7B)

Wednesday, 21st November

Notes due - Intensive Swimming

Active After Schools (both groups)

Friday, 23rd November

Orders due – Book Club

Whole School Assembly – 9.53am

Volunteers' Morning Tea following WSA

Tullibigeal art excursion

NEXT WEEK (Week 8A)

Primary Intensive swimming – all week

Monday, 26th November

Larry the Lifeguard visit

Wednesday, 28th November

Study Day – Lockhart

Thursday, 29th November

Kinder Parent Orientation meeting

Friday, 30th November

Full day 2013 Kinder Orientation

Upcoming Events

WEEK 10 – Presentation Night

Thursday 13th December 7pm at the Memorial Hall

Canteen News

Roster

Friday, 23/11/12 – R Maguire,
M Seymour

Monday, 26/11/12 – T Buerckner,
C Harper

P&C News

Printed later in this newsletter are the minutes from our latest meeting.

60 Seconds with

Jeanette Gash



Role in the School:

Visual Arts teacher

Previous appointments:

Barellan Central School, Temora High School

Favourite Food:

Indian and Italian

Favourite Band/Musician: Opera at the Sydney Opera House

Recent Opera: Magic Flute by Mozart and Aida by Verdi

3 people you would like to have dinner with: David Attenborough, Margaret Olley, Margaret Preston

Favourite Movie: Anger Management starring Jack Nicholson
Director: Peter Segal

What would you have done if you hadn't taken up Teaching? Curator art galleries

Sum yourself up in three words: creative, persistent, reasonable

Whole School News

Whole School Assembly

The last whole school assembly for this year will be held this Friday, 23rd November, commencing at 9.53am. A special invitation is issued for our school volunteers: our before school readers, tutors, scripture teachers and book covers/library helpers. There will be a morning tea held after assembly, held in the Anglican Hall, for these volunteers, as a small gesture of thanks from the school staff. As always, we would love to see as many other parents, grandparents and anyone who is interested come to whole school assembly.

School Finances

The DEC (Department of Education and Communities) financial rollover occurs on 30th November 2012. Recently some accounts were issued for TAFE travel and some cheques were issued for excursion refunds. Could these cheques be presented and accounts paid please, before 30th November?

We appreciate your assistance.

APCS Executive

RAP Graduation Dinner

On Friday, 9th November students, teachers and parents gathered at Ardlethan Memorial hall to celebrate the graduation of all students from across the Riverina Access Partnership. An excellent night was had by all and our

thanks go to the teachers, parents and community members from Ardlethan who made the night so successful. Special congratulations to all five of our Year 12 students for graduating. In late breaking news further congratulations must go to Julia Davey who was successful in gaining early entry to study Podiatry at Charles Sturt University. This continues our outstanding record in achieving early entry for our Year 12 students.

Mr Englert (Stage 6 Adviser)



*APCS Year 12 Graduates (L to R –
Jeremy Aurik, Jessica Castle,
Jessica Toole-Cummins, Meg Maguire
and Julia Davey)*



*RAP (Riverina Access Partnership)
Graduates*

World Diabetes Day (WDD)

Last Wednesday, 14th November, APCS celebrated World Diabetes Day - the birthday of Frederick Banting who, along with Charles Best, first conceived the idea which led to the discovery of insulin in 1922. Students made a gold coin donation and raised \$153.20. This money will be donated to Diabetes Australia.

The World Diabetes Day campaign is led by the International Diabetes Federation (IDF) and its member associations. WDD engages millions of people worldwide in diabetes advocacy and awareness.

World Diabetes Day was created in 1991 by the International Diabetes Federation and the World Health Organization in response to growing concerns about the escalating health threat that diabetes now poses. The campaign draws attention to issues of paramount importance to the diabetes world and keeps diabetes firmly in the public spotlight.

Diabetes imposes life-long demands on the 250 million people now living with the disease, and their families. People with diabetes must deliver 95% of their own care, so it is of paramount importance that they receive ongoing, high-quality diabetes education that is tailored to their needs and delivered by skilled health professionals. In addition, IDF estimates that over 300 million people worldwide are at risk of type 2 diabetes. (Information taken from the IDF WDD website).

Diabetes: protect our future

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ctxC1b0wngA>

Secondary News

Stage 6 Study Day

Next Wednesday, 27th November, all of our senior students will be travelling to Lockhart Central School for a study day. After lessons throughout the day they will be treated to a BBQ at the local pool to finish the day. Notes were sent home last week and should be returned as soon as possible. Parents are reminded that the swimming note must also be returned. Thank you.

Mr Englert

Primary News

Year 5/6

End of year testing is as follows:

Week 7 – Thursday – HSIE

Week 8 – Tuesday – Science

Mr Dehlsen

Before School Reading

As it is a time consuming job: sorting, chasing up and repairing home readers before the end of the year, the before school reading program will finish for students in years 1 – 3 on Thursday, 29th November. Could students please start looking for readers they may have at home (under beds, bedside tables etc) and return them to the appropriate boxes at school? Even though this program is finishing, we encourage all students to continue reading at home – magazines, newspapers, library books – the more the better.

Kinder readers will continue to Friday, 7th December.

Once again, a big thank you goes to all our volunteers who generously give up their time each week to assist with this

program. Your help has been very much appreciated.

Primary Staff

Tutor Program

Tutors will finish on Wednesday, 5th December.

Years 3/4

Energy Saving Tips!

Fraser – use a 3 minute sand timer in the shower

Tom O – use cold water to wash your clothes instead of hot

Louise – when buying new appliances, check how many stars it has. The more stars the better

Lily - go outside and play instead of playing video games

Hannah – let natural light in through opening curtains instead of turning on lights

We hope you have used some of our energy saving tips and reduced your power bill!! Remember if you have any feedback about our tips, we would love to hear it.

Thank you from all Year 3/4 students and Miss Daniher ☺

Active After Schools

Due to the Teachers' Federation meeting being held on Tuesday, 20th November and the lack of numbers that have been turning up each week, we have decided that for this week we will combine the two groups and hold Active After School on Wednesday 21st November. Any queries don't hesitate to contact me at the school.

Mr Radnidge

2013 Kinder Parent Information Meeting

This meeting will be held on Thursday, 29th November and individual invitations will be issued this week.

Mr Dehlsen

Sport News**Pairs Cricket**

The annual Pairs Cricket Competition commences today at second half lunch. This year there will be 16 teams completing on a knockout basis.

Mr Dehlsen

Primary Tennis Champions

Over the past 6 weeks our boys and girls tennis champions have been battling it out for the top position. The boys' final was fought between Joe Ryall and Blake Harper. It was a close match with each set being quick close however Blake Harper shone through to claim victory for the boys. Nancy French had to forfeit her match against Jessica Durham in the semi which opened the door for Jessica and Kacy Bell to fight it out in the girls' grand final. After a tough 6 set match, Jessica made Kacy work and to the very end. Kacy was victorious for the girls.

Congratulations to all students who participated on the tennis championships and special congratulations to Kacy and Blake for winning the championships!

Miss Daniher

**Intensive Swimming Note Reminder**

Can students please bring in their intensive swimming note **THIS WEEK**, sooner the better? Students are unable to participate in the intensive swimming program without this note however, students will still be required to be at the pool just not be in the water and need to complete their current swimming level again next year. It is vital students complete each level, each year to complete the program by the

completion of their primary schooling.
Thank you for your prompt response in
returning these notes.
Miss Daniher



Ariah Park Community News



To be included in the Ariah Park Community News, your ads/notices need to be received by 9am Monday. All notices may be emailed to ariahpark-c.admin@det.nsw.edu.au (preferred method), hand written or faxed.

Caritas Global Gifts

Having trouble thinking of gift ideas for others? Do you already have everything you need? Why not consider offering your family and/or friends a Caritas Global Gift? In return for your donation toward your chosen gift, you will receive a card to give to your loved one which explains how you have made a contribution on their behalf.

\$10 - Gift of Clean Water

\$25 - Gift of Food

\$50 - Gift of Sustainable Agriculture

\$75 - Gift of Healthcare

\$100 - Gift of Education

\$200 - Gift of Emergency Relief
Contact Bron Fairman for more information. 69741461

Help the world with UNICEF

United Nations Children's Fund
(formerly United Nations International
Children's Emergency Fund)

**Stop the waste - give a
worthwhile gift**

Turn your annual Kris Kringle hassle into the best thing you'll do all year:
Like preventing children from getting infections from intestinal worms

\$8 will protect 200 children. Providing a safe area for children to sleep with Mosquito nets treated with insecticide.

\$18 will provide 3 nets for mums and their babies.

Treating diarrhoea with Oral Rehydration Salts \$9 will protect 100 children.

Go to: <http://www.unicef.org.au/>

**Your small amount can change
someone's world!**

General Meeting
Ariah Park Central School P&C Association
DATE: Tuesday 13th November, 2012.
Library, APCS

Meeting Opened: 8:10 pm

Chair: Sharon Gordon

Minutes: Robyn Maguire

Present: Carol Heward, Tracey Buerckner, Rhonda Johnstone, John Worland, Peter Morse, John Davey, Bron Fairman, Karin Walker,

Apologies: Peter Harper, Sam Dart, Felicity Doyle, John Walker, Debbie Worland

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted as a true and accurate record.

M: Tracey Buerckner

S: John Worland

CARRIED

Business Arising

Peter Morse still looking into "Teamer", mainly used for sporting groups and teams but might be able to get it due to sports carnivals etc.

Robyn has completed the grant for the Cancer Council shade cover if successful we will be notified by 7/12.

Regarding the new seating in the primary area, when maintenance is finished there will be a meeting with the grounds committee about seating.

Robyn completed thank you letters to Terry Ryall & Ariah Park Post Office for the hessian bags and Kerry Crisp Downing for primary playground refurbishment.

Correspondence

Thank you letter from Temora & District Education Fund Inc. for \$500 donation.

Flyer from Sydney Royal Easter Show regarding a program they are developing for a range of different school subjects and are offering school excursions to the show in 2013.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurers report was read by Tracey Buerckner and accepted by the meeting.

M: Tracey Buerckner

S: Rhonda Johnstone

CARRIED

Canteen Report**SRC Report****Welfare Committee**

Bron Fairman read the Welfare report.

Fund Raising Report**School Finance Report**

Peter Morse read the School Finance Report, he has funding to spend and would like to encourage families who are in financial difficulty to come and see him, all enquiries will be treated confidentially.

Principals Report**General Business**

Sharon would like to move a motion that we order another 200 hessian bags with enquiries being made to purchase more.

M: Sharon Gordon

S: Carol Heward

CARRIED

RACV Fly the Flag Rally - Nigel Judd asked would the P & C like to cater for 350 to 400 people for lunch. Discussion at the meeting would it be a good idea to include it with our annual school fete? To be discussed at the next (Dec) meeting.

Rhonda showed those present at the meeting the new seniors white shirt/black trim Yrs 10, 11 & 12). Rhonda will send letters to parents of these students to see if they would like to purchase shirts for 2013.

Rhonda asked the P & C for \$44.00 to make the template for the RAP emblem for Years 10, 11 & 12 shirts at Millers in Temora.

Rhonda asked could we pay someone to paint on the new cement slab for the students to play on. John Worland is still looking into the netball courts.

Some of the parents at the meeting mentioned they are unhappy about there being no secondary excursion.

Rhonda mentioned she wanted the teachers to do emergency OHS instructions at the pool and sign off on it and could the school give her 24 hours' notice if they need to use the pool.

Rhonda asked of the outcome from the phone survey in the newsletter re: national partnerships. Peter will put the evaluation in the newsletter.

Parents are concerned that there are no school captains due to unforeseen circumstances.

Karin mentioned scripture volunteers have to fill in a form stating they are approved by APCAP.

Peter mentioned that all volunteers need to come into the school and ask for a police check certification to ensure against child protection.

Meeting closed at 9.40 pm

Next meeting Tuesday 11th December, 2012 @ 8pm

Repeated Notes**Primary Intensive Swimming Program – Permission Note**

I hereby give my son/daughter/ward permission to participate in the Primary Intensive Swimming Program during weeks 8, 9 and possibly 10 which will include structured aquatic activities.

I authorise medical aid being provided if it is considered necessary by the supervising teacher/s.

Any special medical conditions or any medication currently taking (including asthma sprays etc).....

If you son/daughter/ward suffers from a medical condition which might put him/her at risk in the water, a medical certificate must be obtained for him/her to participate in the swimming program.

Please indicate your son/daughter/ward's swimming ability. Poor or non-swimmers will require the Principal to assess whether such students should participate in the swimming or water activities. The school may also assess the student in completing a Water Survival Challenge to help determine their aquatic proficiency in this assessment. Please select one of the following:

- ☐ My son/daughter/ward is a swimmer and has permission to participate in structured aquatic activities (can swim over 25 metres).
- ☐ My son/daughter/ward is a non-swimmer or has limited swimming ability (cannot swim at least 25 metres). The Principal will assess whether such students should participate in the swimming or water activities.
- ☐ I do not provide my son/daughter/ward with permission to participate in the indicated swimming or water activities.

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Parent/Guardian Signature and Name

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Date

✂-----Please detach and return by this Wednesday, 21st November 2012 -----