From the Principal...

Dear Carers and Parents,

I write the newsletter this week from Canberra. What a wonderful experience we are all having and the students have made some new friends with Jambin and Haden State School students. We have had a week of extremely busy days and have learned a lot about Parliament House, Canberra and were fortunate enough to get a tour through the War Memorial. We got to see the Australian Volleyball Team train at the Australian Institute of Sport and were one of the few school groups selected for a tour through Government House. We were extremely lucky to experience snow fall and really enjoyed tobogganing down the slopes of Perisher snowfields. The free fall slide at Questacon was also popular. I am sure they are looking forward to telling you all about it – after some sleep of course!!

TERM 3 CENT SALE

Due to the success of last year’s Cent Sale, PCSS will be hosting a Cent Sale at the Bowls Club on Sunday 13th October. This notice is to let you know that we would like our families to START COLLECTING, CREATING or COLLATING potential prizes for the cent sale. Whether it’s crocheting a beanie, creating an art piece or donating some wanted prizes, you can feel free to leave donations at the school. Please ensure prizes are wrapped in clear cellophane.

UNDER 8’S DAY

For students in the P-2 class, the Under 8s day will be occurring at Wowan on Tuesday 17th September. This will be a great opportunity for our students in the P-2 class to get together with other students in the cluster. The theme for the day is insects and creepy crawlies. Younger brothers and sisters are also welcome to attend and participate with siblings. Please return your expression of interest note ASAP so we can finalise transport. We want to find out if you want to transport your own child/ren to Wowan on this day or would you prefer the school to organise a bus. Siblings are invited to attend and participate on the day. Please note that we will organise transport based on the majority of notes returned. Please note that the bus option will only be viable if the majority of families and siblings do not wish to attend. Could you please return this Expression of Interest note on ASAP so we can book the bus if need be.

SUPPORT A READER

Reading opens up a window to a new world.

I aim to start Support a Reader on Monday 26th August at 2:15. Leisa will be in touch with those parents who have expressed an interest to volunteer and there is still time if you can spare an hour or two throughout the week. We still have spare spots on Wednesday & Friday. The aim of the program is to give children who need additional assistance with their reading, the opportunity to read regularly with a supportive adult on a one to one basis. As a volunteer, you will have the same students each week in the same timeframe, so you will get to develop a rapport with your student.

ANZAC MEMORIAL RAFFLE

We will be hosting another Anzac club memorial raffle on Friday 6th September, 6:30pm at the RSL. We will need some volunteers for this event to take place. Please express your interest to the staff members if you wish to help out.

NETBALL CARNIVAL

There will be an interschool Netball Carnival being held on Wednesday 18th September, at Magavali Netball Courts, from 9am – 2:30pm. We will be sending home Permission forms & Transportation forms in the next Newsletter.

Sincerely,

Jo Northey
The 4-7 class would like to say thanks once again to everyone who helped and supported our Canberra excursion. Thank you to our local businesses, our school P&C and a special thankyou to our parents. You have all helped us experience a once in a lifetime opportunity and have loved every minute of it.

What we learnt in P-2 this week

Ryan learnt that sometimes having a friend help you dig a hole has unexpected results.

Lachlan learnt bean bag beans have a habit of getting into places you don’t want them to.

We all learnt with Chappy that jumping as a trio is trickier than it sounds.

Making noise is easy, but making a wind chime can be a bit tricky.

Working together makes life easier.

If in doubt, use more tape.

2013 SCHOOL CALENDER

Term 1  Tuesday 29th January  -  Thursday 28th March  9 weeks
Term 2  Monday 15th April  -  Friday 21st June  10 weeks
Term 3  Monday 8th July  -  Friday 20th September  11 weeks
Term 4  Tuesday 8th October  -  Friday 13th December  10 weeks
If your child misses... | That equals... | Which is... | And over 13 years of schooling...
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1 day a fortnight | 20 days a year | 4 weeks a year | Nearly 1.5 years
1 day a week | 40 days a year | 8 weeks a year | Over 2.5 years
2 days a week | 80 days a year | 16 weeks a year | Over 5 years
3 days a week | 120 days a fortnight | 24 weeks a year | Nearly 8 years

*Please be reminded of the importance of school attendance.*
DATES TO REMEMBER

RETURN FROM CAMP – FRIDAY 23RD AUGUST

SUPPORT A READER COMMENCES – MON 26TH SEPT.

FATHERS DAY CRAFT – FRIDAY 30TH AUG

ANZAC CLUB RAFFLES (P&C) – FRIDAY 6TH SEPT

UNDER 8’S DAY – TUESDAY 17TH SEPT.

INTERSCHOOL NETBALL CARNIVAL – WEDNESDAY 18TH SEPT.

LAST DAY OF TERM 3 – FRI 20TH SEPT.

FIRST DAY OF TERM 4 – TUES 8TH OCTOBER

INCLUDED IN THIS LETTER:

• Country music Concert Flyer