**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Dear Parents

Last Thursday, our students had the unique opportunity of cheering the “Cumberoona” paddle steamer as it cruised along the Murray River heading for Lake Mulwala. Our cheers were gladly received by the crew and the “Cumberoona” responded with several loud hoots. It was a very enjoyable experience for our students to see the special paddle steamer as made its way along the river, a sight which has not been witnessed for many decades.

Karen Kissell - Principal

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**Dates to Remember**

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**Positive Behaviour Awards**

Congratulations to Ryan Glare, Isabella Macartney and Josh Bruce for receiving a Positive Behaviour Reward at last Friday’s Assembly.

**Reading Awards:** Congratulations to the following students who have reached 25 Nights:

- Angela Craft, Ruby Van Ree, Charlotte Colman, Logan Forge, Casey Harris, Tamzin Forge, Leticia True, Aria Glare, Kiiesha Taylor, Nate Batten, Aiden Wark, Isabell Brand and Will Douch.

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**Sport News** - from the Sports Captains

This week, new footballs and general playing balls will be available for play from the Sport Shed.

**AFL**

Good Luck to Rory and Will who will be participating in AFL trials after school at Thurgoona PS.

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**Wanted:** Chess Sets or Checker Sets for the library. Children would love to play!

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**NAPLAN**

Years 3 and 5 will participate in NAPLAN 2015.

- 12th May – Language Conventions and Writing Tests
- 13th May – Reading Test
- 14th May – Numeracy Test
Yr 2/3/4 Class News
Thank you for helping your children with their homework. Besides the usual maths revision sheet and daily reading, this week the students were asked to write a colour poem. With wonderful enthusiasm, some students recited or read their poems to me this morning! We hope you enjoy reading them.
Lee McDonald, Class Teacher

“Red” by Mackenzie Bunt, Year 2
Red is a firetruck ready to go.
Red is an apple starting to grow.
Red are the shoes you wear every day.
Red is your hair on a hot summer’s day.

“Blue” by Shaylyn Kilsby, Year 3
Blue is a crystal
Blue is a pencil
Blue is a ball.
Blue is a flower

Class 5/6 News
The students enthusiastically participated in the design and construction of our Mighty Murray Mural with Mrs McEachren. They made constructive suggestions for the design and were able to draw some fantastic river creatures to be included in the mural.
Thank you to the parents who are taking Year 6 students to the Young Leaders Conference in Melbourne on Friday. It will be a very valuable student leadership experience. We are looking forward to their personal accounts of the day.
This week’s homework is Spelling, Take Home Reading and Australian Identity project based on Australia’s Currency (due Monday, 16th March)
Mrs Kissell, Class Teacher

Kinder/Year 1 Class News
This week we have been learning about the number 7 and the letter S. We keep finding them in lots of places!
We are making a scarecrow for our vegie garden and are making his head today. We are trying to think of a funny name for him.
We have learnt a new song “Heydi Ho” and we can do actions with them, just ask us and we’ll show you!
Mr Segrave and K/1 class

P&C News
AGM on Wednesday 18th March. All executive positions will be declared vacant. Meeting will be held at Corowa Golf Club. All welcome to attend.
Upcoming events:
Cake stall on Election Day – March 28th.
Hot Cross Bun fundraiser – order forms have been distributed. Please return with correct money to school by Friday 27th March.

“Green” by Brodie Julian, Year 3.
Green is the colour of a face creeper on the grass at home.
It’s like the tree at home or a green knee.
Green can be a mailer on a trailer, or even a sea-sick sailor.

“Yellow” by Josh Bruce, Year 3
Yellow is the dress, a mess when lemon juice spilled on it.
Yellow is the football kicked through the goals – the crowd began to bellow.
Yellow is the leopard wearing a large yellow footy jumper and shorts, running up the path – he made the kids happy and they started to laugh!

“Green” by Logan Forge, Year 3
Green I like.
Green, green grass, lovely and fresh.
Green yummy fruit and veg.
Green cats look cool.
Green... mean.... machines.

Maths Activities Groups: Yr 4/5/6 working on measuring and length around the school.

Mighty Murray Mural
We are creating a new mural as part of our Visual Arts program K-6, for the north side of the Administration Block. All students will be involved in designing and painting the river creatures and scene. The theme was inspired by our school’s close proximity to the Murray River. We will be using artistic license with colour and patterns to decorate the mural. The project will take a number of weeks and is being guided by Mrs McEachren, art teacher and exhibiting artist.
The existing wall murals will be relocated to a new location around the school and will also receive a protective coating to ensure their further endurance. The students are very enthusiastic about the project and are looking forward to exhibiting their artistic talents for everyone to enjoy.
This Friday is National Ride2School Day. You may like to join your child in riding safely to school on Friday. Miss Filliponi will be focusing on bicycle safety this week in PD/Health in all classes.

Road Safety Quiz Questions for families
By students in our 2/3/4 class
1. Ella 0 & Logan – Should you cross the road when the bus is still there?
2. Shaylyn & Taniel – What side of the car should kids get out of?
3. Zach – What should you always wear when you ride or skate?
4. Bree & Charlotte – What should you always wear in a car?
5. Jodi – Would it be safe to ride on the side of the road with the traffic going the opposite direction to you?
6. Paisley – Is it safe to cross a busy road?
7. Josh – Why should you always buckle up your seatbelt?
8. Lochlan – Click ____________________ front ‘n’ ____________!
9. Lara – What types of roads should people riding bikes stay away from?
10. Isabella & Marlee – Why do you need to stop, look, listen and think every time you cross the road?
11. Matthew – Why should we always wear seatbelts in cars?
12. Ryan – What should you do when you get off the bus and need to cross the road?
13. Mackenzie – When should you wear a helmet?
14. Jack & Paige – Where should children ride their bikes?
15. Ella W & Maddison – Why should you cross the road at a safe place like a school crossing?
16. Brodie – What protective gear should skaters wear?

Answers:
1. No, you should wait until the bus has gone. 2. The footpath side. 3. A helmet. 4. A seatbelt. 5. No (kids should ride on footpaths though). 6. No, choose a safe place. 7. Because if you don’t you could get more hurt in a crash. 8. Clack; back. 9. Busy roads. 10. Because you have an increased chance of getting run over if you don’t. 11. Because if you have a car crash you will have a higher chance to live. 12. Wait for the bus to leave. 13. When you ride a bike or skateboard. 14. On the footpath and away from busy roads. 15. Because it keeps you safe and you could get run over if you don’t. 16. A helmet and elbow and knee pads.
National ride 2 school day

Friday 13th March 2015

Ride walk scoot skate

Always wear your helmet

Have fun!

If it's the first time riding your bike - ride with a adult or friend

Get active

Be safe and join in!

By Zara Bunt and Angela Craft