Hi Everyone

ALL SYSTEMS GO... Over the weekend, our new school website went ‘live’. It is still a work in progress with photos and additional information to be added but it is up there and operating. Lisbeth Long, Kerryn Mitchell and web designer, Karen Vincent, have put in many hours of work and thought to develop this ‘portal’ to our school.

The site is much more user-friendly and much easier to keep up-to-date than our previous one, and we look forward to making it a dynamic and relevant communication tool for the school community to use regularly. We really appreciate the work put in by our three volunteers and thank them for their efforts!

ZONE SPORTS CARNIVAL: We had three teams representing us on Tuesday at the Zone Netball and Football championships. Our netball teams played well to win a number of their games; falling just short of qualifying for the respective grand final. The footballers were successful in reaching the grand final where they came up against strong opposition from Sacred Heart PS. The boys all contributed and played hard; making effective tackles and focussing on the ball despite facing some ‘tall timber’.

WHAT WILL I BE WHEN I GROW UP?? Grade 5/6 students are in the throes of applying for their jobs in their class community this week. They have a range of jobs to choose from and will prepare a written CV and application and undergo an interview process. Their teachers are Mayor of their community: Kerlsville, Carson City and Classville. Jobs include things like banker, store manager, sign writer, newspaper editor etc. Students ‘earn’ a salary according to their career and then are expected to budget for the normal living costs faced by families.

STUDENT VOICE: The Student Voice Team value for this week is COMMITMENT. Alana Cruickshank wrote the following:

Commitment is something most of us kids use at school. For example, we have made a commitment to do well in sport and try our best and we have made a commitment to turn up to our classes and give it all we’ve got. I think I have made a commitment at school in all subjects, as everyone else will have.

Wendy Larcombe
This week’s hiragana games went very well. The Gr3~6 kids are getting very good at recognising JP speech sounds. The games involved the kids using small hiragana character cards to make up the words they heard spoken. All of the kids were engaged in their lesson and making a genuine effort; any teacher’s dream. The Gr6 LOTE Academy finished shooting their entry in The Japan Foundation’s video contest this week. It was a very intense hour’s work and the director was pushing them hard, but they stuck to the task and didn’t quit. Well done, kids.

Monoshiri Sensei’s Culture Tips
Oops, Xavier P’s week 1 nazonazo entry got missed. He knew that Sky= sora, Star=hoshi, Milk=gyūnū and Cow=ushi. Week 2’s answer was Tako = Kite. For this week’s nazonazo, tell us two meanings for the JP word Norimono. The first correct written answer to me or the main office will be the winner.

Sayōnara!

Seasons For Growth  In the next few weeks a group of Grade 1 & 2 children will begin Seasons for Growth. If your child has experienced parents’ separation, divorce or the death of a close relative they would benefit from participating in the Seasons for Growth Program even if they have adjusted to the changes in their family. The program focuses on building positive coping skills which help children deal with the difficult situations in life. If you would like your child to participate in the program, or you would like more information on the program please return the form below to school.

Beth Davies, Chaplain and Seasons for Growth Facilitator

☐ I would like to enrol my child in the Seasons For Growth Program for Grades 1 and 2.
☐ I would like more information about the Seasons For Growth Program

Name: ________________________________
Child’s Name: __________________________ Grade: ____________

Annual School Athletics

Our school athletics day will be held this term on Wednesday 28th August at the Athletics Track in Appin Street. The event was brought forward as the Wangaratta Council are undertaking some works on the oval towards the end of the term. Hopefully the weather will be perfect.

All children are involved and will be competing in a variety of events throughout the day. Children earn points for their sports team by participating in each event. The Meyland Athletics Shield is awarded to the winning team. To add to the spirit of the day, we ask that children wear the colours of their sports team if possible. If you are unsure of your child’s team please speak to their teacher.

This whole day program requires a great deal of help and support from parents and families. We need help with individual events as well as marshalling age groups. If you are able to assist could you please indicate on the form below and return it to school by next Thursday, 8th August.

We need help with:
- High Jump
- Long Jump
- Triple Jump
- Shot Put
- Vortex
- Time keeping
- Age groups (the age groups are based on what age your child turns this year)

There will be more information included in the newsletter closer to the event.

Wendy Martin

CHILD’S NAME ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………… GRADE …………………
I am able to help with: EVENT …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………… AGE GROUP ……………
YOUR NAME ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………… PHONE …………………………………
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS
The Appin Park Community congratulates you.
Students will be awarded their certificates at Monday’s Assembly

PB  Felicity Camplin for the great progress she is making with her reading and writing tasks. Keep up the good work, Felicity.
PV  Kira Geue for the wonderful effort she is making with her reading. Well done, Kira!
1S  Cayden Jackson for sharing ideas about his learning and for his excellent home reading practice. Well done.
1/2M Holly Semmens for her enthusiastic approach to all her learning and her willingness to help in the room.
2E  Jade Haebich for using voice in her writing. She is beginning to show how she really thinks and feels about a topic. Well done, Jade.
2F  Sheridan McDonald for being a friendly and happy class member who always works hard and displays a great attitude to her learning. Keep it up, Sheridan.
3/4A Emma Crawford for using her knowledge of arrays to win our multiplication bingo challenge. Well done, Emma!
3/4B Bronte Huggins for the fantastic improvement she is making with her spelling and for being a happy and helpful class member. Great work, Bronte!
3/4C Mitchell Huggins for being a fantastic classroom helper! He goes out of his way to help clean up the room at the end of the day.
3/4D Thomas Ballard for the improvement in his writing. He is writing some interesting recounts in his writer’s notebook.
3/4F Ryan Still for trying really hard to stay focused on his learning tasks and for being more organised with his belongings. Keep it up, Ryan!
5/6A Chelsie Dowling for approaching her Earn and Learn work confidently and earning bonus money by helping.
5/6C Harvey Wright for working so hard to skip on his own and with the long rope, 25 jumps individually and 10 jumps on the long rope. An awesome effort!
5/6K Tomas Paola for the great research, time and commitment he has put into applying for a job in Earn and Learn.

APPIN STAR AWARD

Regan O’Brien
For continually showing compassion, responsibility and initiative, both in and outside the classroom.
Congratulations, Regan.

Noah Barling
For the great work he has produced this year and the help he offers to others within the school.

Kiana Haebich
For her terrific behaviour and the positive attitude she always displays towards her learning tasks.

ARTIST OF THE WEEK

Millie Carson
For the very creative glazing of her pinch pot. Well done, Millie.

MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK

Jasmine Scholz
For memorising her singing and acting role in the upcoming production. Very impressive, Jazzy!

Pearl Neary
For working so well with her recorder and choral studies. A great team player. Keep it up, Pearl!
Saturday Morning Netball

Congratulations to all the Grade 3 and 4 students who completed their Net Set Go Netball program last weekend. Hopefully you have enjoyed your experience and have taken away some new skills and gained a better idea about playing netball. Thanks to Linda and Peter O’Donohue, Fiona Carson and Emily Stone for coaching and organising the teams and their skills and game sessions. Without your valuable support our students wouldn’t be able to have the opportunity to take part in a great sport.

The Grade 5/6 students will play their last game this weekend, both missing out on the finals series. For both teams their season has been one of varying results. Skills and an understanding of the game have certainly improved over the season and it is only the beginning of hopefully a long association with the game. Thanks to Donna Grady, Jacinta Hutton and their band of supporters for offering to coach and make sure that all our players had every opportunity to develop their skills to the best of their ability.

This weekend Appin Park are on Canteen duty. Can parents who do not have any coaching or umpiring commitments please help out during the morning.

Could all skirts please be washed, ironed and returned to Mrs Martin by the end of next week. Bibs and balls that have been loaned to the teams will also need to be returned.

School Sports Carnival

On Tuesday a football team and two netball teams from our Grade 5/6 participated in the Zone Winter Sports Carnival at the Barr Reserve. Teams from schools across our region pitted their skills against each other in a round robin format. Games consisted of two halves of shortened length.

There were 24 teams in the netball competition. Our netballers played five games each and produced some great plays throughout the day. Team 1 consisted of Chloe Storer, Ebony Donald, Gabby Boulton, Alice Townsend, Eliza Shiels, Jessica Vincent, Alana Cruickshank and Amy Henderson. These girls produced outstanding results in their preliminary games, not letting any opposition team throw a goal and were dominant across all areas on the court. They qualified for the quarter finals where they met a team from Yarrunga Primary School. The standard of the game certainly increased and our girls took a little while to get used to the extra pace; however they were able to win the game and progress to the semi-finals. Again the standard improved even further. Although leading at half time by a narrow margin our team were unable to hold on to their lead and lost this game by 1 goal. Chloe Storer was a standout player for our team. Her attacking movement and accurate shooting was a pleasure to watch. Chloe was ably supported by the great defensive pressure applied by Gabby Boulton, Alice Townsend and Jessica Vincent.

Team 2 consisted of Annabel Glasser, Angelina Butler, Hannah Nish, Heidi Parkinson, Chelsie Dowling, Grace Watson-Long, Cammie Forster and Bianca Fleming. This team played games with close margins in each game: winning one, drawing a game, losing two games by a goal and losing their first game by 5 goals. Hannah Nish played a pivotal role in her defensive position, reading the game well and intercepting many balls thrown to her opponent.

The footballers played four games. Again this team played with confidence and displayed some positive skills. Mitchell Holt was our dominant player, being able to control the ball and deliver it to our forward players on numerous occasions, as well as taking the opportunity to kick a few goals himself. Mitchell displayed great teamwork throughout the games using as many of his team mates as possible, including them and encouraging them to keep working and to do their best. Another player who shone on the day was Dominic Bedendo. His ability to read the ball, and the play, and to deliver it to people in good position was very noticeable. The boys convincingly won their four preliminary games which placed them in the Grand Final against Sacred Heart, Yarrawonga. This team were a lot bigger and stronger than our team but that did not deter our boys to run on to the field and continue to play their hardest for the duration of the final. Our small backline players were constantly under the pump but their endeavour could not be questioned. Led by Tom Metcalfe and Jack Findlay who continued to tackle the bigger opposition players and smother the ball, Gabe Watson, Thomas Moore and Liam White all continuously applied pressure to their opponents enough to minimise the damage on the scoreboard. Although we had difficulty getting the ball into our forward line and consequently we didn’t score, the boys never gave up for the duration of the game. Other members of this team were: Cameron Chamberlain, William Gulbin, Mitchell Carson, Rhys Delahunty, Luke Dunne, Flynn Wright, Baxter Lane-Gee, Tomas Paola, Lachlan Crawford, Glen Lovett and Isaac Folino. Congratulations to all of the boys for their efforts during the day and for making the Grand Final.

It was certainly a pleasure taking these teams to this competition. They were great ambassadors for the school, displaying some good skills but more importantly showing teamwork, support and encouragement towards each other. Their sportsmanship was also very evident throughout the entire day.
**SPORTS AWARD**

**Mitchell Holt**
For his dominant display on the football field during the Zone Sports Carnival. His skill, balance and great decision making allowed all players to be involved in the game and enabled the team to be successful. Well done, Mitchell.

**Dominic Bedendo**
For his efforts on the football field during the Zone Sports Carnival. He allowed his team the opportunity to play a good brand of football and instigated many attacking moves. Well done, Dominic

**Chloe Storer**
For her dominant display on the netball court. Her effort and teamwork enabled her team to produce some very high standard netball. Her awareness of her opposition and recognising their efforts is also to be commended. Well done, Chloe

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**Fruit Roster**

**Monday 5th August:**
Lis Long, Margie Moore, Romany White & Kate Morris

Can you help?
We need people to help keep Sick Bay tidy and wash sheets each month from September to December (this usually only needs doing once or twice a month). If you can help out for a month, please see Nicole in the office.

**Sick Bay Volunteer for August:**
Susan Paola

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**Jump Rope for Heart**
Next Thursday the school will be conducting a Jump Rope for Heart fundraising session. Each class will be involved in skipping activities for at least an hour and a half where individual, partner and group skills will be attempted. It would be great to see any parents or other family members come along and help turn ropes, or skip with their children. Even if you are unable to attend for the whole time please feel free to drop in and have some fun with the groups.

The session times are as follows:

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Activities will take place on the asphalt, under Big M and around the oval. Hopefully the weather will be fine, allowing all the groups to rotate through the many skills and activities. Please don’t forget that this is a fundraising activity for the National Heart Foundation. Any money raised will be gratefully accepted. You can register online or return the sponsorship form with the money to school by Friday, 16th August.

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**Cost:**
$20 per vehicle (car/ute) Additional $10 for trailer
$30 for craft/commercial stall site

**Enquiries:** (03) 5722 1326 or appin.park.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

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**CHOCOLATES**
We still have a few boxes of chocolates left to sell. If you would like to help out please come to the office. There are still quite a few families who have not returned the boxes from last term. Please return the chocolates or money as soon as possible.