Hi Everyone
What gorgeous spring weather for our first week back at school!

WHOLE SCHOOL CONCERT & 5/6 PRODUCTION: Final rehearsals for the Grade 5/6 musical, Cinderella & Rockerfella are taking place. We are so grateful for the assistance of volunteers in creating the props, costumes and scenery for this performance. Heather Thrum, Tracey Clough, Robert Hirschmann, Kel Vincent, Alison Sessions, Wangaratta Paint Centre - Jo & Leigh Stubbs, Mick Cavallin Joinery, Helen Millar, Trudee Seymour, along with our costume committee members and members of staff have really pitched in; ably-coordinated by Heather Foster. Heather has been scouring bargain stores, calling in favours and creating masterpieces out of recycled items to provide wonderful costumes and accoutrements. The show has a really humorous, engaging script, with catchy tunes and great dance numbers. We have some very accomplished vocalists and comic actors amongst the students!

Tickets are in short supply for the evening performance. There are still a number of seats for the matinee. **We expect ALL students to be part of both performances.** This whole school concert provides a showcase for our talented students and the opportunity for them to experience performing in a great venue. It is another ‘first’ for APPS, and we hope all school families will help to make it a success.

Students come to school as usual on Tuesday. We have arranged buses to transport all students to the PAC and back for the matinee performance. Then, **by 6.15pm on Tuesday evening,** we expect all students to be at the PAC for the evening performance. Prep-4 students can be collected by their parents immediately after their turn in the spotlight (if you are not attending the evening show). Otherwise, they will be supervised backstage until the end of Cinderella & Rockerfella while you enjoy being part of the audience.

**NB: ALL P-4 students will now stay to watch the matinee performance of Cinderella & Rockerfella. All students will be at the PAC from 12noon to 3.00pm on Tuesday. They will back at school for the usual dismissal time.**

SHOWTIME - Wangaratta Show, that is....
Students in many grades are preparing their entries for the Wangaratta Show, with Grade 2E decorating gumboots in very creative and colourful ways. Make sure you take a look at all the APPS craft entries at the show.

CONGRATULATIONS!!! Sean Witting (Dad of Ailie & Damien) recently competed in the Japanese Blind Golf Open Championship and won the title. During the holidays, Michael Jenkins (34C) won the WKBF Amateur Heavyweight Queensland State Title (Muay-Thai martial arts). On Tuesday afternoon, Ros Janas attended a special afternoon tea ceremony at the Gateway, hosted by the Regional Director to celebrate her 35 years of service to education. They watched a teacher recruitment film from the 1960s and Ros was reminded of how dramatically education and schools have changed since then.

**Congratulations to each of you on your achievements.**

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**October**

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It was great to see so many students come to school in their footy colours on the last day of Term 3. We managed to raise $413.45, which is going to be put towards our sponsor child, Jacqueline Nimfasha who is in grade 2 in Burundi. The money supports her in a number of ways, including immunization, medical assistance and clean water. Jacqueline enjoys reading and sports and she helps out by carrying water. We wish to continue to support her so she can live a long and healthy life and cannot do it without your assistance, so thank you for helping donate to this worthy cause.

Below is a list of teams along with the amount they generated and the length of their coin line! After an early lead to the Cats, Richmond came back later and managed to hold off Collingwood in both categories.

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Next Friday, 18th October, is National Bandanna Day. Appin Park is supporting this great cause, which aims to help young people who are fighting cancer. Students can help by purchasing a Bandanna for $4 and wearing it to show their support. There are also pens available for $3.

For more information regarding the CanTeen Fundraising Program please visit http://www.canteen.org.au/ Get involved and make sure that no young person has to face cancer alone!

CAN YOU HELP??? On Thursday & Friday lunchtimes next week, our Recycling Monitors, Logan & Brandon, are holding a ‘let’s clean up the garden cage’ working bee. They have invited Grade 4-6 students to help. Any parents who enjoy pulling weeds & digging are also very welcome. Please BYO gloves and spade.

AND FINALLY... I have been meeting with teachers this week for their ongoing performance reviews. I really enjoy these meetings as we talk about the progress your children are making, and the way our professional learning is impacting on classroom programs.

Wendy Larcombe
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS
The Appin Park Community congratulates you.
Students will be awarded their certificates at Monday’s Assembly

PB  Corey Petersen for the great effort he is making with his reading and writing tasks. Keep it up, Corey!
PV  Ethan Perry-Heyden for becoming more resilient when the going gets tough. Keep it up!
1S  Dylan White for being a very helpful and caring member of our class and for doing excellent reading practice. Well done!
1/2M  Rhys Vincent for his friendly and helpful manner and his excellent reading.
2F  Carla Petersen for her positive start to term 4 and the wonderful effort she has put into her show exhibits. Great work, Carla!
3/4A  Cooper Ramsay for the persistence and determination he displayed when creating his “Teddy Bears’ Picnic” display for the Wangaratta Show. Congratulations and good luck, Cooper!
3/4B  Justine Corker-Walker for the positive attitude she is displaying in class when faced with challenging activities. Keep up the great work!
3/4C  Austin Cook for being an excellent classmate and his willingness to help his peers with their craft pieces for the Wangaratta Show.
3/4F  Brayden Sadik Hardwidge for the fantastic effort he put into his realistic fruit and vegetable model for his Wangaratta show entry.
5/6A  Luke Dunne for displaying a positive attitude and putting in a great effort during our musical production practices this week.
5/6C  Emma Christie for the wonderful enthusiasm she has displayed throughout rehearsals for Cinderella & Rockerfella. Emma has been extremely helpful and always has a smile on her face. Thank you, Emma!
5/6K  Ebony Donald for the excellent problem solving she has shown with her maths work. She uses different strategies to find the best answer. Well done, Ebony.

APPIN STAR AWARD
Gabby Boulton
For her great attitude to school and the happy and enthusiastic way she goes about her work.

Artis of the Week
Justine Corker Walker for her encouragement of other students during the maths art session to create a tessellation pattern. She was helping other students to have a positive attitude to their own work. Well done, Justine!

SPORTS AWARD
Abby Weeks for her excellent focus and concentration when completing a variety of difficult exercises and activities. This allowed her to show some very good technique and body control.
Regan O’Brien for his keen participation in community fun runs. It’s great to see him supporting local and State held events running over a variety of distances.

Musician of the Week
Tomas Paola for embracing his role in the upcoming production. Tomas shows great responsibility towards his part to play in this team effort. We are proud of what you are achieving, Tomas. Well done!

Glen Lovett for expecting the best from himself. Glen has shown he is capable of moving past any fears or apprehensions when it has come to stepping outside his comfort zone and achieving a great result for him and his team. We are loving working with you, Glen. Great work!
District Regional Athletics Day
On the Thursday of the last week of Term 3, 29 Grade 4/5/6 students competed in the District Athletics Carnival held in Wangaratta. This carnival is an invitation for the schools from Wangaratta, Benalla, Yarrawonga, Rutherglen, Myrtleford and surrounding districts to send their best performing students to compete in specific events. Each student is allowed to enter two individual events along with participating in a relay team.

The competition was fiercely contested in many events and our students acquitted themselves very well. We had a number of them who placed in the top of their field and have been invited to participate in the Regional Athletics Carnival, which is to be held next Friday in Albury.

Angus McLean was our stand-out performer, winning both his 800m and 1500m events. He was a convincing winner in the 1500m, taking a strangle hold on the race very early on. However, in his 800m event he was challenged all the way and had to hold his composure until crossing the finish line.

Other placegetters were Caleb Whitehead, 2nd Hurdles; Joel Carson, 3rd 100m; Jack Findlay 3rd 1500m; Eliza Shiels, 2nd 1500m & 3rd 800m; Charlie Townsend 4th 1500m; Annika Flanagan 3rd 1500m; Grace Watson-Long 3rd 1500m; Bianca Fleming 2nd Hurdles; Gabby Boulton 2nd 200m; Jemma Ryan 4th 100m; Alice Townsend 2nd Long Jump; Sienna Fuller 2nd Triple Jump. The 10 year old girls relay team of Sienna, Annika, Morgan Byrne and Ebony O’Donohue placed 2nd along with the 11 year old boys relay team of Caleb, Joel, Luke Dunne and Dominic Bedendo. All of these students have the opportunity to compete at the next level, unfortunately for a couple of them they will be on family holidays so they will have to wait for another chance to participate at another level.

Other participants on the day were: Heidi Parkinson, Amy Henderson, Reece Weimer, Thomas Clough, Aiden Bartlett, Jesse Hurley, Luke O’Connell, Gabe Watson, Tomas Paola, Cameron Chamberlain, Mitchell Holt and Baxter Lane-Gee. Well done to all of our students for their efforts and good luck to those who are competing at the Regional event.

Wangaratta Primary Schools Golf Tournament
There is an opportunity for our young golfers to participate in a modified 9-hole tournament held at the Wangaratta Golf Club on Friday 1st November. Students must have some golfing skills and an idea of how to score. They will also need an adult who will be able to get them to and from the event as well as walk around with a small group of players. Registrations is online at http://events.golfvic.org.au.

From The Chaplain…
Hi Everyone,
Welcome back to school for term 4. I hope you enjoyed some fun with your children in the holidays. As the parent of a child who struggled at school and who still as an adult faces challenges every day, this article hit a chord with me. I hope it helps you too.

Parenting the Child Who Struggles
Raising children and young people who struggle for success can be a parenting challenge. In many families there are children who do not achieve the levels of success of their siblings no matter how hard they may try. As a parent it can be heart breaking to watch a child struggle when you know that no matter how hard they try they will not attain the same success or recognition as others. As a parent it is important to be realistic about what each child can achieve.

Keep your expectations in line with their ability and maturity and definitely avoid making comparisons between siblings. A few hints:

- Focus on effort and improvement, not just the results. Take the pressure off them having to succeed to be noticed;
- Encouragement, and lots of it. Praise persistence. Your child’s struggles help develop character.
- Focus on your child’s strengths and where possible give them the opportunity to develop their strengths. Strugglers often focus on what they can’t do so they need reminding of the skills they do have.
- Remember – all children have equal value and importance. Their value as a person should not be rated on achievement or talent, but on how they use the gifts and talents they were born with.

Have a great week,
Chaplain Beth

Fruit Roster for 14th October: Nicole Snowdon, Vanessa Luscombe, Rebecca Feldtmann
We have lots of gaps in the roster this term. Please see Julie Sands if you can help out.

Sick Bay Volunteer for October: Vanessa Luscombe.
Helpers are needed for November and December. If you are available please see Nicole in the office.
Volunteers Needed for Canteen Duty

Icy pole sales from the canteen will commence on Wednesday 23rd October. Please help APPA continue this very popular and successful fundraising venture. HELP IS NEEDED to staff the canteen each Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1.20pm -2.30pm. If you are able to help please phone Kay Andrewartha on 0409 179 528 or return the slip below.

Name: ........................................ Contact No: ......................
Student’s name: ........................................ Class: ......................
I am available: Mondays Wednesdays Fridays
Or dates: ..........................................................................................

Wangaratta Little Athletics
2013/2014 Season
Online Registrations are now open.

Registration will be held on 9th & 16th October
Appin Street sports complex 4.30pm-6pm
Season commencing Friday 18th October
Online registrations must be completed before attending registration.
www.lavic.com.au
Uniforms will be available for purchase on the night

Wangaratta Table Tennis Association
2013 Spring Competition

Muster Nights: 16th & 23rd of October, Juniors 5:30 p.m. Seniors 7 p.m.
Free Come ’n’ Try, Learn, Registration and Grading.
Juniors Ages 7 to 15, All New and Past Players Welcomed.
Comp Starts: 30th of October, Juniors at 5:30 p.m. Seniors at 7 p.m.
Where: The Industrial Building, Wangaratta Showground.
(First building on the left side as you enter the main gates).
For further information call
Robert (Seniors): 0407228280, Andrew (Juniors): 57273871.

Wangaratta & District Agricultural Show Society

The organisers of the Wangaratta Show are seeking local girls aged between 3-16 years to consider competing in the Wangaratta Junior Show Girl Competition* event - Saturday 12th October.
The categories are:
Miss Tiny Tot, 3-5 years; Master Tiny Tot, 3-5 years; Miss Junior, 6-9 years; Miss Intermediate, 10-12 years
Miss Teenager, Wangaratta, 13-16 years
This is a great way to improve public speaking skills and be in the running for a variety of wonderful prizes. The competition starts at 1.30p.m. and finishes around 2.30p.m. at the Arts & Crafts Pavilion. The winners of each event will appear in “The Chronicle” newspaper. For more information, or to nominate for any of the categories, please call Sandra on 0413 582 950, or email davidcheshire1@bigpond.com. Nominations will be taken during the show weekend at the showground office (under the grandstand) or where the event takes place; at the Arts & Crafts Pavilion.

APPA Movie Afternoon
Sunday 20/10/13
Come along and enjoy a social afternoon at the Wangaratta Cinema.
Further details in next week’s newsletter.
Tickets $11.50
Please return the form and money to the school office by Friday 18/10/13.

Name: ........................................ No. of tickets: ...................................
Money enclosed: $