Hi Everyone - this term is absolutely flying past, with Week 3 almost over. Our whole school concert (Appin Park PS Spectacular) is now only FOUR weeks away.

**HOW IT WORKS:** The concert is on **FRIDAY, 28th AUGUST**. There are two performances on that day—the 12.30pm Matinee & 6.30pm Evening Show. All children are expected to be part of both performances.

The program for both shows will begin with our Grades P-4 children presenting items in their class/unit groups. Then, students from Grades 5/6 will present the pantomime “Aladdin Trouble”.

Grade 5/6 students will have a full dress rehearsal on **THURSDAY, 27th AUGUST** and will be bussed back to school at lunchtime.

On the Friday, all children will travel to the WPAC (Wang. Performing Arts Centre) by bus in the morning and have a run through before performing their items at 12.30pm. Following their time on stage, Prep-4 children will go upstairs in the auditorium and watch the Grade 5/6 show. They will then all travel back to school in time for the usual dismissal time, and go home for a rest before their next performance.

That evening, we all gather back at the WPAC, ready to do the whole thing again. Children from Prep-4, whose parents are in the audience, will head into the adjacent Memorial Hall with their teachers after they have performed, while parents enjoy the whole show. They can be collected from the hall once the show finishes.

Tickets are now on sale from WPAC—their website or the box office. The seats are limited so it really is a case of ‘first in, best dressed’! You do not need to buy seats for your APPS Prep-4 children as they will have already seen the show, and they will be supervised in the hall while the evening pantomime is on.

Children in Prep-4 will receive information about their costumes (if required) in the next few days. Grade 5/6 children should already know what is happening with their costume.

**PUPIL FREE DAY:** reminder that Monday, 31st August is a pupil-free day at school. Teachers will be working on our whole school approach to the teaching of Writing on that day.

**BOOK FAIR NEXT WEEK:** The Book Fair opens in the Library next week.

**GRADE 6 TRANSITION:** Grade 6 students had the opportunity to experience the great facilities offered at Wangaratta High School last week. The students created ‘Mexican Jumping Beans’ in the science lab and completed a ‘Scavenger Hunt’ using the resources in the college library.

**AND FINALLY…** Grade 5/6 students will get the chance to participate in the Zone Winter Sport Carnival next week. The event was postponed due to the state of the oval last week, and will now be held on Wednesday, 5th August. Hopefully the weather will be better on that date. The students who attend will still get to enjoy their hot-dog lunch once they return to school.

Wendy Larcombe
From The Chaplain...
It’s been 3 weeks since I started here at Appin Park, and already I am finding it is a wonderful school with great staff and students. Thank you so much to the many people that have me feel very welcome here. My role is very much to be a support to the school community through helping ensure that the wellbeing of students is looked after, so they can be happy and healthy, and empowered to learn. The days I’m in the school are Tuesday and Wednesday each week. If you would like your child to take advantage of this service, please call me direct by contacting the school office.

Also, we are wanting to collect some 2nd hand bikes for some activities we want to do later on this year. If you have a bike that is no longer wanted, let the school know and we would be happy to take it off your hands.

Chaplain Dave

Fruit Roster
Monday 3rd August
Colleen Perry Vanderheyden, Lis Long, Margie Moore & Nicole Snowdon

Nihongo News
This term’s theme for Gr5/6 will be transport and this week they started by learning how to ask questions and how to describe different vehicles. Gr 3/4 also did some basic work on question forms and then did some hiragana races. Prep~Gr2 are making great progress with their hiragana. In fact, Gr2 kids have now covered all 46 characters. The JP Speech Contest will be held on Sunday the 13th of September. We have 18 kids entered in this year’s event. Permission notes went home last week and as soon as I get them back signed, I can start preparing scripts and audio support for those keen kids who have entered.

Monoshiri Sensei’s Culture Tips
Josh S (4V) cracked last week’s nazonazo. He knew that kanji refers to the Chinese writing system borrowed by Japan to write the Japanese language. Here’s kanji written in kanji: 調子. JP kids need to learn 1006 of them in primary school and another 1136 in secondary school. For this week’s nazonazo, tell us three JP words (NOT modified English words) for vehicles or forms of transport. The first correct written answer to me or to the main office will be the winner.

Sayōnara!

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APPS CAR BOOT SALE—Saturday, 5th September
8am-12noon
Sites for cars, utes, trailers and stalls are available ($20-$30)
BOOK YOUR SITE NOW!
Contact Nicole at the office for information.

We will have a ‘Fathers’ Day Raffle’ on sale in the days leading up to the Car Boot Sale. We already have a couple of prizes but we would appreciate donations of items to put in a hamper as a prize. Packaged food & drink items, small ‘Dad’ type gifts etc would be great - please send these to the office. THANKS!

2nd Hand Uniform Shop
Fridays 8.45-9am in the canteen.
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS
The Appin Park Community congratulates you.
Students will be awarded their certificates at Friday’s Assembly

P/1S Imogen Walkerden for staying on task and trying her best when reading three and four digit numbers. Well done, Imogen.

1B Lachlan Messenger for staying focused on all of his learning tasks and always trying his best. Well done, Lachlan!

Gypsy Swain for participating in class discussions. She listens carefully and then offers a thoughtful answer. Well done, Gypsy!

2E Jennifer Miller for the great way she has settled in at Appin Park. Jennifer enthusiastically participates no matter what the activity. She is a very positive member of our class. Well done, Jennifer.

2M Eliza Best for remembering how to spell her “th” words. Well done, Eliza.

3G Tyson Turner for enjoying our library sessions and always remembering to return and borrow new books. Tyson shows a love of different genres and reading.

4R Rhys Vincent for using interesting words to improve his writing skills.

4V Glenn Gratton for staying focused on his learning tasks and making sensible choices in the classroom. Keep it up!

5K Caleb White for the excellent effort he is putting into classroom activities. Caleb is trying really hard to improve in all learning areas.

5S Ella Bihun for putting care and effort into the presentation of her work.

Bronte Huggins for being willing to help teachers and other children when they are after a helping hand.

6C Annika Flanagan for the enthusiasm and leadership she is showing during her group work, in the Grade 6 “Lip Sync” performances. Well done, Annika.

6M Connor Mayer Young for taking care with the presentation of his maths work. His layout made it easier for him to show and understand fractions.

Musician of the Week
Hannah Snowdon for really stepping out and doing an amazing job being Pearl. You follow direction very well and your “not a problem” attitude is great to work with.

Appin Park Primary School
Library After Dark

Tuesday 18th August
6:30-7:30
All Welcome

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Monday 3rd to Friday 7th August
8.30am-9am & 3.30pm-4pm
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