Hello everyone

POOL PARTY FUN!! It was a gorgeous evening to be pool-side yesterday. We had at least 55 of our families there, along with all the teachers and our school councillors. The children had a great time swimming and playing with their friends. The school council team ran the BBQ & drinks stall like a well-oiled machine, THANK YOU to Andrew, Kel, Romany, Kevin, Thom, Craig, Chris, Heather, Nicole & Ross for your work on the evening and organisation leading up to it. We really appreciate the support from our families for this event.

CONGRATULATIONS: Yesterday, following a selection process, we appointed Nicole Godde to the Business Manager position at APPS. Nicole has been filling an acting capacity in this role for the past semester, following Sandra Makin’s retirement.

STUDENT LEADERS: At tomorrow morning’s assembly the School Captains and Sports House Captains will be presented with their badges at assembly. We congratulate the following students who will fill these positions this year:

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Millie Carson, Braeden Marjanovic, Matilda Paxford & Lachlan Newton are 2016 School Captains. They will take on roles with the Student Voice Team and offer leadership & support during student-led activities each term. They are thrilled to have been elected to this role.

Ben Sgarioto & Emma Crawford (Red), Cameron Lovett & Tessa Watson-Long (Yellow), Kelly Hirschmann & Alex Pitt (Green), Hannah Snowdon & Luke Grady (Blue) are House Captains this year. Their main role is to support and encourage all students to participate in sports activities.

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SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS: Nominations are invited for Parent Representative vacancies on School Council. This will be for a two-year term. We have three current unfilled vacancies and three currently-filled positions where those councillors’ term is ending and they can choose to renominate or finish their time on School Council. Nominations close at 4.00pm on Thursday, 18th February. Should the number of nominations exceed the vacancies, a ballot will be conducted during the following weeks. Our new or returning school councillors will take up their role following the 2015 Annual General Meeting on 21st March. You can self-nominate or have a parent in our school community nominate you. The forms are available in hard copy at the office. Please call Nicole if you would like one sent home with your child.

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS: We hope all parents will take advantage of this opportunity to meet with 2016 class teachers to get to know each other, to share information and set learning goals for the semester. The meetings will be held after school on Tuesday, 23rd & Wednesday,24th February. You can book your times by logging onto Compass. On your ‘home page’ click on the ‘Book Parent Teacher Interview’ link, then ‘Semester 1, 2016 interviews’. Select the available time and book yourself in. CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU NEED HELP WITH THIS. NB: Prep parents do not need to book these meetings as you have the Wednesday interview time with your child’s teacher.

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Upcoming Events

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GRADE 3/4 CAMP NEWS: The Grade 3/4 students have been talking about their fast-approaching camp at Mountain View Camp in Harrietville. You can google this for some very comprehensive information. Your child will have brought home forms and information today. Please check their school bag and contact the office if there is any problem with this.

AND FINALLY... Grade 5/6 students had a great day at Edi Upper Primary School and the Brookfield Maze. This excursion was part of their Quest: Clean Up, Fix Up which will involve students in planning and creating use-able spaces at the back of the BER building.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The Appin Park Community congratulates you.
Students will be awarded their certificates at Friday’s Assembly

PC Darcy Waide for the great start he has had to his Prep year. Darcy comes into our classroom every day ready to do his best and with a smile on his face. Well done, Darcy.
P/1B Chloe Cooper for the great start she has made to Grade 1 and for helping the Preps with daily tasks and routines. Well done, Chloe and thank you for all your help!
Emily Martens for the great start she has made to Prep. She listens carefully to instructions and follows all of our classroom rules. Great job, Emily!
1/2E Jason Pollard for having a great start to Grade 2 at APPS. Well done, Jason. Keep up the great effort.
2R Corey Marjanovic for the outstanding start to Grade 2. You are such a positive role model and it is great to see you making the most out of your learning. Way to go, Corey!
3/4G Toby Clifford for getting straight into his work, remaining focused right throughout all lessons.
3/4S James Thewlis for working hard on improving his ability to skip count.
3/4V Skye MacKinnon Burman for the independence she shows when completing her learning tasks. Well done, Skye!
5K Coby Jannenga for the great start he has made at Appin Park. Coby has been a valued contributor to all class activities and is eager to participate in all tasks to the best of his ability. Well done, Coby.
5S Emma McAuliffe for being a delight to have in the classroom. She consistently strives to achieve her best and always assists her peers to help them succeed. Congratulations, Emma!
6A Lucas Paola for his positive attitude towards his peers, work and his willingness to help out.
6G Ryan Battin for always doing his best and developing his resilience and confidence when he is presented with something that is challenging for him.

Principal’s Award - Jordan Gosbell and Alex Kay who have been very responsible buddies and have the extra role of helping their Prep to catch his afternoon bus.
**SPORTS AWARD**

Oliver Williams for showing an understanding of strategies required when learning a new game, which helped his team to score many points.

Kelly Hirschmann for completing fitness activities at a very high level of intensity and being able to push herself to achieve her best throughout the session.

JUST KIDS NEWS: We would like to introduce you to our new Assistant Coordinator, Nicky Davies. Nicky comes to us with a wealth of experience in Out of School Hours Care having worked as the Coordinator in several other Services in the area. Nicky also has much expertise in working with children in the classroom setting as an Education Support Staff member & is currently still employed in this role at another local School.

We are sure Nicky will be a valuable member of our team in assisting us to provide quality After School Care to the children of Appin Park. In the event that I’m absent Nicky will act as the program coordinator.

Gina Crossman—Just Kids Coordinator.

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

Hume Bank

School Banking Reminder

Don’t forget that Friday is School Banking day and students should bring in their savings for collection. When you have $8 Hume coin stickers on your savings chart collect your prize at any Hume Bank branch at the end of each term.

To learn more about money go to: humebank.com.au/junior savers club

Hume and Ordina Bank. Eligible students must have a Hume Hacks account during the period of the Competition and be aged 11 years or under at 30 June 2019. To be eligible to participate in the competition participants must register on Hume’s website humebank.com.au/register. Minimum deposit amount is $5 and you must only enter a maximum of one entry per week. Once you have more than one account you can be enrolled in multiple times on the same savings chart.

Juniors Netball Competition (10 -17 years): WNA Saturday 4.30pm – 5.30pm.

To register for Netball go to: wangaratta.netball.com.au

Further details visit: www.wangaratta.netball.com.au

Have you changed your email? Or, you don’t have an email address as part of your Netball Victoria membership or you just not sure, please email wangaratta.netball.com.au with your details and we will add your email address so that you can purchase online.

Get fit for FREE!

Every Saturday

Free, weekly, 5km timed run/walk for all ages and abilities.

Start/Finish:

1. Register for FREE at parkrun.com.au/register
2. Print out your unique barcode
3. Turn up with your barcode, run or walk and have fun!

Don’t want to run or walk? Why not help others by volunteering?

There are a few spaces available for piano lessons at school with Leslie Johnson. For information please call 5725 1582.

HIGHLAND DANCING CLASSES IN WANGARATTA

Mondays

Girl Guide Hall, Ryan Avenue

Time: 4.30 - 5.30pm

Cost: $7.50

Contact: Suzanne 0408 005 584