Hello everyone...

HARMONY DAY - NEXT MONDAY

On Monday, 21st March, students will celebrate Harmony Day by participating in a range of cultural activities including music & dance, cooking, games and art activities.

We will hold a showcase in the afternoon, starting at 2.20pm. All parents and family members are welcome to attend this. The children will perform some of the songs and dances they have learned during the day, while others will present information about their activities. This will be held under BigM.

There will be a special morning tea at recess time for students to share food and enjoy being together as a whole school—please send along a plate of food to share.

PREP-2 GYMNASTICS PROGRAM: Most families have already paid for the Prep-2 gym program that starts next term. Those parents who applied for the CSEF grant can also be pretty confident that their Prep-2 child’s costs for this program are covered. If you have not yet paid $43 for gymnastics, please do so by the end of the this term. Speak to Nicole or Julie in the office if you need to check on this. Grades 3/4G, S & V will start their program halfway through the term.

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAYS: The junior school children have been provided with fresh fruit & vegetable platters on Friday mornings this term, thanks to APPA. If you (or your business) would like to make a donation to keep this program going, please let Nicole know. The cost per week is $40. The program is highly valued by parents, staff and students as it gives all children the opportunity to try different fruits and vegetables which they may not do at home (peer pressure can be a positive thing!) and to share a healthy snack with their classmates. If you can help to prepare the platters on a Friday morning, please let Jo Beattie or your child’s teacher know.

END OF TERM: Next Thursday is the last day of Term 1 (Good Friday holiday, 25th March). School will finish at 2.30pm on Thursday. Buses will run at that time. We will have an end of term assembly at 2.15pm to farewell Beth Roseby who is transferring to Wodonga PS after the holidays. Grade 2R will be in the capable hands of Carol Mata from Term 2 onwards. We will also present the term 1 attendance awards at that assembly.

THANKS APPA: The school council Grounds Subcommittee has ordered a new adventure playground that will be located in the grassed area near the music room. This play equipment is called a ‘climbing cube’ and will be suitable for all age groups. We hope to have it installed in late April. APPA’s funds have been used to buy this.

Friday 18th March (tomorrow) is a casual dress day to help the Grade 5/6 garden project. Bring a gold coin & wear casual clothes.

School Council News

Our school council has established a building fund which we can use to accept tax deductible donations. If you or your business are interested in supporting our school in this way please contact the office.

Upcoming Events

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STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

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

PC Isabelle Moffat for making good choices about where to sit during group time so that she hears the instructions well. Keep up the good work, Isabelle!

P/1B Axel Kiely for being a kind and caring classmate who is working hard to improve all areas of his learning, especially his reading. Well done, Axel!

1/2E Faith Mayer Young for being a reliable helper in the classroom. She completes tasks without being asked and is an asset to the classroom. Well done, Faith.

2R James Long for having a great attitude towards his learning; showing initiative, organisation and confidence when completing tasks. Keep up the great work, James!

3/4G Taydan Corker Walker for consistently producing beautiful handwriting. Great effort, Taydan!

3/4S Ailie Witting for being able to stay focused and attentive during mini lessons.

3/4V William Petersen for the excellent attitude and effort he displays when completing all his learning tasks. Keep it up, William!

5K Glenn Gratton for the great reading at home and filling his diary out to an excellent standard. You’re also earning a lot of positive points in class, Glenn. Keep it up.

5S Chenoa Nash for the diligent manner she brings to the classroom. She consistently displays persistence and enthusiasm to any task she undertakes. You are a great role model to your peers, Chenoa. Congratulations!

6A Thomas Solimo for his consistent effort, attitude and approach to his work. Tom always interacts positively with his classmates and makes excellent contributions to class learning. Well done, Tom. Keep up the great work.

6G Evie Butler for her wonderful and detailed visualisation of the Nogard animal during our reading group sessions. Evie has created an accurate picture of an animal in her mind and has brought it to life on paper. Keep up the good work, Evie.

SPORTS AWARD

Lily Knox for her committed effort to achieving results that she can be proud of in her fitness testing. Her attitude to applying herself in every PE session is always evident but it was even more obvious in her first ‘beep test’ assessment session.

Max O’Brien for displaying a positive attitude when completing his fitness assessment. He was very focused and pushed himself to achieve an awesome improvement.

Flynn Waring for showing great improvement in his fitness testing assessment. His positive attitude and willingness to push through and demand more out of his body was evident with his results.

Music News

Grade 2R performing at assembly last Friday.

Fruit Roster 18th March:

Annette Blanchfield, Lisbeth Long & Bree Campbell

2nd Hand Uniform Shop Fridays

8.45-9.00am in the canteen.

Insurance Policy: Parents/guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs.

University NSW International Competition entries must be returned by Monday 21st March.
Community Notice Board

School Holiday Classes at Pangerang

**Card Making**  Learn how to make cards for any occasion using many different craft materials.  
Date: Thursday 31 March, 9-10.30am  Cost: $15

**Decoupage**  Great class to learn about decoupage using paper bags & tiles.  
Date: Thursday 31 March 11am-12.30pm  Cost $15

**Windchime Making**  Make your own chime using wood and cutlery, add beads, buttons, etc.  
Date: Thursday 31 March 1-2.30pm  Cost: $15

**Jazz Dancing**  A fun class for children to come and learn some basis, learn some rhythm and enjoy the music.  
Date: Friday 1 April 1-2pm (5-8 yrs); 2.30-3.30pm (9-13yrs)  Cost: $10

**Origami**  Learn this ancient art of folding paper to make great creations  
Date: Friday 1 April 11am-12pm  Cost $10

**Paper Pouch**  Decorative bags/pouches that once created can be used for trinkets or as a gift.  
Date: Friday 1 April 9-10.30 am  Cost $15

**Bonsai & Terrariums**  For the budding gardener.  Learn the basis of bonsai.  Parents are welcome to join in.  There will also be the option to build your own terrarium.  
Date: Tuesday 5th April 10am-12pm  Cost $25

**Yoga & Relaxation for Adults & Children**  The stretching and vitality of yoga with the calming and tranquility of meditation.  
Date: Wednesday 6th April 2.30-3.30pm  Cost $10

**Cooking with Chocolate**  In this Easter inspired class we will be making chocolate treats.  
Date: Wednesday 6th April 10-11.30am  Cost $15

**Making Slices**  Learn some easy slice recipes to add to your school lunch or have at home.  
Date: Wednesday 6th April 12-1.30pm  Cost $15

Book now as numbers are limited.
Courses must be paid with enrolment forms completed before Thursday 24 March.

Email: coordinator@pangerang.org.au  Phone: 5721 3813

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APPA HAPPENINGS

Hot Cross Buns will be delivered on **WEDNESDAY 23rd MARCH**. Orders can either be collected from the Canteen between 3.15pm - 3.45pm, or delivered to your child’s classroom for them to bring home.

Free School Holiday Fun at Wangaratta Library

**Arty bubbles**  - Wednesday 30th March at 10.30am. Ready, set, BLOW! Using paint, soap and bubbles you can create your own colourful masterpiece! Parents be aware this session will be messy!! Please wear appropriate clothing.

**Wangaratta Reading Warriors**  - Monday 4th of April at 2.30pm. Our first ever junior book group comes to life with stories and bookish activities. Talk about new books and create stories using Lego. Remember to bring your library card to take some great books home. Ages 8-12 years old.

**Get SLIMY**  - Wednesday 6th April at 10.30am. Using items you can find at home, you can make your own fun goopy gak! Pop in for some gooey fun. Parents be aware this session will be messy!! Please wear appropriate clothing.

**A-mazing fun**  - Friday 8th April at 2.30pm. Using straws, cardboard and more you can create and escape mazes in this fun filled activity.

Bookings are essential.
Would you like to advertise your business in this space? Call in to the office for more information.