Week 3: Thursday 15th May, 2014

Farewell Sam, good luck at your new school
Our NAPLAN testing is over for another year. Well done to our Year 3 and Year 5 students who all completed the tests with confidence and enthusiasm.

Good luck to Jack and Royce who will be participating in the State AFL Carnival in Sydney next week. I am sure you will compete with pride and enthusiasm, and will enjoy your time up there.

We have a student teacher joining us next week. Grace Ubrihien is a 3rd year student from CSU, and will be based on the Year 3-6 class for a period of 5 weeks. The children are very excited to have a new face in the school.

A quick reminder that the Henty Field Days are in the school holidays this year. The Field Days are a vital source of income for our school and your assistance will be very much appreciated when the time comes. More information will follow in upcoming newsletters.

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### Coming Events

**Week 4**
- **May 20-22** State AFL

**Week 5**
- **May 26** State Tennis Knockout
- **May 27** SRPSSA Cross Country @ Jindera
- **May 28** Grip Leadership @ Albury
- **May 28** *Recorder Tickets on Sale*
- **May 29** Lions Debate @ BHS

**Week 6**
- **Jun 2** Recorder Rehearsal @ CSU
- **Jun 4** Stage Day
- **Jun 5** SRPSSA Athletics Carnival
- **Jun 6** Premier’s Debate

### Notes and money to return to school

- **May 23** Tennis Knockout
- **May 23** SRPSSA Cross Country

- **May 26** Grip Leadership @ Albury
- **May 26** Lions Club Debate @ BHS
- **May 26** Recorder Rehearsal @ CSU

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### School Rules

- Respect yourself
- Respect others
- Respect property
- Respect the school
- Stay safe
- Always trying

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Today is a sad day as we bid farewell to Sam Turner. Sam has been here since Kindergarten, and the school will not be the same without his smiling face and bubbly personality. We wish him all the best as he starts a new adventure in his new school. All the best, Sam!

The coming weeks are extremely busy with many sporting and academic activities planned outside of the school. It is a wonderful to see our students taking advantage of everything our school has to offer.

Steven

Festival of Instrumental Music
Booking Information
Ticket sales for each concert only open on the day listed. Tickets are only available from the Sydney Opera House Box Office on 9250 7777

*Jacaranda Concert Ticket sales open on Wednesday 28th May, 9.00am*

The concert will be held on Wednesday 25th June from 7.00pm.

School Development Day
The teachers will be participating in a School Development Day on Sunday 15 June. This day will replace the SDD set for Thursday 18 December. The teachers will be involved in further professional learning regarding the new English syllabus. They will be joined by staff from Adelong Public School. Please contact the school if you require further information regarding this.

Athletics Carnival
The Greater Kengal Athletics Carnival held last week was a very successful day with all students enjoying the sporting activities and the day outside. Two of our students, Royce and April were named the Senior Athletics Champions. The Pleasant Hills School was named this year’s Champion School.

**NSW Netball School Cup**
Rosie, April and Sophie represented Greater Kengal in the netball competition last Thursday. They played four games, winning the first game. Mrs Fletcher was very impressed with the behaviour and sportsmanship which they displayed.

**Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability**
Our school is participating in the collection of nationally consistent data on school students with disability. We will be collecting information already available in the school about the support that is being provided to students with disability. Better data will help the Government plan for students with disability.

The data collection will have no direct impact on your child and they will not be involved in any testing process.

The NSW Department of Education and Communities will provide data to the Australian Government from all NSW public schools in such a way that no individual student or school will be able to be identified. In this way, we will ensure the privacy and confidentiality of all students.

If you have any questions about your child being included in the data collection please contact the school.

**State Tennis**
Jack was in Newcastle last week competing in the State Tennis Competition.

The boy’s team enjoyed some tough tennis and finished seventh out of
seven teams while the girl’s team finished fifth. Jack had a great time and won a couple of his singles matches, a fantastic effort, well done.