Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 3. Jess and I were very pleased with the way the students settled back into their school routines last week and are looking forward to another productive term.

Thanks to everyone who is attending the Student-led conferences this week. A note finalising times was sent home last Friday. Please contact the school if you have not made an appointment and would like to.

Enjoy the week,
Jenni

Education Week
Week 3 is Education Week. We are performing at the Wagga Marketplace next Tuesday 28th July as part of this celebration. Our performance time is 11.00am, on the stage out the front of Big W. We hope you can come for a look.

The students will be catching a bus to and from Wagga for this and we are fortunate that the P&C are paying for the cost of this.

Students will not be wearing school uniform on this day. They need to wear plain black pants and tops. Please let me know if this is a problem.

After the performance we will be going to the Victory Memorial Gardens and then having lunch at the Pearl City Chinese Restaurant, Wagga RSL Club, as part of our learning about Asia. The permission note for this is attached.

We also have a Greater Kengal display board that will be own show in the Marketplace for Education Week so make sure you have a look at that too.

Open Class for Education Week
On Thursday 30th July at 2.15pm the students and staff are inviting parents and friends to come and watch their performances from the Marketplace.

The students will be able to show off their best work and get the visitors to join in for some art activities with an Asian influence.

P&C Meetings
We have decided to change the time for P&C meetings. They will now be held on the Tuesday of Week 3 & 8 at 3.15pm. However, next weeks will be held on Thursday 30th July at 3.15pm.

Debating
At the end of last term our debating team competed against Sturt, Kooringal and Uranquinty. The competition during all three debates was very close and we were successful in defeating Uranquinty. We now have our fourth debate against Henty this Thursday 23rd July at school. Good luck!

Recorder
The Stage 3 recorder students are getting very excited about their upcoming trip to the Opera House in Week 4. This is sure to be a memorable experience for them and thanks to the parents who are taking them to Sydney.

Heating Food
We have had an increase in the number of students that are bringing food to school that needs to be heated or have hot water added to. Unfortunately, we are not able to do this and would appreciate your support by sending items that are
already heated / prepared. Many students use a thermos which works very well.

**Photos**
If you take photos at any school events we are happy for you to email them to the school so we can ensure we have a wide record of the events. Unfortunately Mrs Wall’s phone had some ‘issues’ in the holidays and she lost the Week 10 assembly and debating photos.

**2016 Kindergarten students**
We are currently taking enrolments for 2016 Kindergarten students. Please contact the school for more information, and spread the word to any new families!

**3-6 Excursion**
The next payment for the excursion is due this week, please make regular payments to ensure that your children are able to attend.

**Student Council report**
At the student meeting last term it was decided to purchase some new board games to use during wet weather recess and lunchtime. We now have them and think they are great!

It was also decided at the last meeting to participate in the Jeans for Genes Day on Friday 7th August. All students can wear their jeans to school and then donate a gold coin. You can also donate online by selecting the Yerong Creek School as your designated participant.

**Fruit Break**
All students are encouraged to have a piece of fruit every day for fruit break. This is important as it enables brain activity and fills the break until the lunch time. Please make sure all pieces are cut and easy for the children to eat.

**Student Absences**
At this time of the year there are absences due to sickness and appointments. Please be mindful that all absences need to be explained within 7 days of the first missed day of school.

Also, all students who leave the school within school hours, or who arrive after school commences, must be signed in and out of the school by an adult at the office.

Your help with these matters is greatly appreciated.

**Lost Property**
There is currently a lot of items in the lost property tub, could parents please look to see if your child is missing some clothes and check at school.

**Hot Chocolate**
This term the students have decided to sell hot chocolate. The cost will still be $1.00.

Students are able to pay in advance if you wish to do it this way. Eg $10.00 for 10 weeks’ worth.

**Notes and Money to be Returned**

3-6 Ballarat/ Melbourne Excursion
$50 payments due fortnightly.

Return notes for Education Week Performance @ the Marketplace by Friday 24th July

Page 2
Calendar – Upcoming events

**Week 2**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Monday, July 20th</td>
<td>Student Led Conferences- all week</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday, July 23rd</td>
<td>Premiers Debate against Henty @ 2pm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Week 3**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday, July 28th</td>
<td>Education Week Performance in the Market Place @ 11am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday, July 30th</td>
<td>Education Week Open Class @ 2.15pm, P &amp; C Meeting @ 3.15pm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Week 4**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday, August 5th</td>
<td>Festival of Instrumental Music @ Sydney Opera House, BHS- Long Transition</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday, August 7th</td>
<td>Jeans for Genes Day</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Week 5**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Monday, August 10th</td>
<td>Rotary Spelling Bee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday, August 12th</td>
<td>Life Education Van @ Pleasant Hills School</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday, August 13th</td>
<td>Yr. 5 @ REEC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday, August 14th</td>
<td>Bernie O’Connor Football and Netball Carnival</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>