PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGES

Photography Workshop
All students participated in a photography workshop today that was provided to us free of charge by the Moran Arts Foundation. Students were supplied with digital cameras and taught the basics of digital photography. Thanks to Camilla Duffy for her initial organisation of this event.

School Changeable Sign
We were in the fortunate position to purchase the Murrumburrah Public School changeable sign last week when they upgraded to an electronic sign. This will mean that we will be able to have a full size sign to provide information to parents/caregivers about school events permanently erected at the front of the school rather than the sandwich board arrangement that we currently use.

Small Schools Swimming Carnival
Tomorrow Binalong hosts the small schools swimming carnival. Stockinbingal, Wallendbeen and Jugiong will be joining us for this event. We wish all our swimmers good luck as they compete throughout the day. The district swimming carnival is scheduled to be held at the Murrumburrah pool on Friday, 19th February (next Friday).

Binalong Swimming Carnival
Thanks to Miss O’Connor for her organisation of the school swimming carnival yesterday. All students participated extremely well and raced with great sportsmanship. Congratulations to all of the age champions and to Gilbert House for winning the House Championship.

Primary Principals Conference
I will be absent next week on Thursday and Friday at the Primary Principals Council conference in Wagga Wagga. This conference attracts speakers such as our Deputy Secretary, Executive Directors and other leaders from the Department of Education. 100 primary principals will attend this meeting.

With my best regards

Jaemie

INFANTS NEWS

Photography Workshop
Today we have been participating in a photography workshop with Sally. Stay tuned next week for photos and a write up of the day.

Veggie Patch
Don’t forget we still have lots of tomatoes and zucchinis to sell. We also plan to make tomato chutney and sauce in the next few weeks (when things aren’t as busy). If you have any small cup size jars preferably with a metal lid we would love to recycle them.

SPORTS NEWS

Swimming for Sport
Swimming for sport will continue next Friday, 19th February.

Binalong Swimming Carnival
The Binalong swimming carnival was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who helped out and cheered on our students. Our carnival wouldn’t be possible without your support.

Thank you to all the students too. Your enthusiasm,

Attachments: 1. Student Banking Information
participation and sportsmanship displayed at the carnival made me very proud to be a part of our school community.

Congratulations to our champion swimmers Oscar Robinson, Ella Saunders, Thomas Duffy, Alivia Kruger, Charlie O’Brien and Thomasina Knight and our Runners-up Jaiden Ings, Tayla Brayshaw, Dane Howard, Alerya Brayshaw, Jack Paterson and Tayla Merton.

A big, massive, HUGE congratulations to Gilbert for winning Champion house for swimming. We are now 219 points closer to winning the house trophy. If you have any photos for the day and are willing to share them, please bring them in. Also if there is any feedback from yesterday that could help to improve our carnival for next year, I would love to hear from you.

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Parents are very welcome to stay and cheer the students on. We will also need parents to help out as time keepers 3 keepers for every race at the Small School Carnival. Please see Miss O’Connor if you are able to help.

**Sporting Schools**

Sporting Schools starts next Wednesday, 17th February. If you wish to join in, please return your note to the office before Wednesday.

**Miss O’Connor**

**KINDERGARTEN AND YEAR ONE NEWS**

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Parents are most welcome to come into the classroom to help listen to students read or give a hand in group activities. The morning session is the best time to join us.

Mrs Smith

**Instrumental Music Lessons 2016**

Welcome back to 2016 all musicians!

This year I will be resuming individual music lessons for Piano, Brass & Woodwind (Clarinet, Saxophone). Lessons will be held on Thursdays beginning at 8:30am and continuing throughout the day.

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**A Quick Bite …**

**Food Additives: Friend or Foe?**

Food additives can be used to preserve food for longer, enhance its colour and taste and thicken foods like sauces. The more we rely on packaged foods, the more we are more exposed to these food additives which can cause concern among parents.

Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ) decide what food additives and how much can be added into foods. Rigorous testing is used to determine if the food additive is safe. FSANZ also determines if there is a legitimate reason for adding an additive to a food, and passes on information about the additive to consumers.

The key is to choose more fresh foods that don't require additives and that at the same time will provide us with the nutrients we need to be healthy.


**Creative Work Shop Young People**

**Harden Murrumburrah Arts Council**

We acknowledge the Regional Riversina Arts NSW and The Harden Shire Council.

**Small fee $5.00**

**Limited classes – 15 people**

**The Court House**

**Soccer Registration**

The 2016 football season is fast approaching and Harden Soccer Club is ready!! Registrations are now open and online through the myfootballclub system, Australia’s biggest online sports registration portal. Players and their parents/carers must visit myfootballclub to register online following the prompts. Harden Soccer Club has not increased its fees, staying at $60.00 per player, the same as 2015! Registrations will close on 10th April, 2016. This is to allow SWSSA time to determine competition age groups for the 2016 season which will start on 7th May, 2016. For all players that have been selected to represent SWSSA this season you must also download a current digital photo of yourself.


For further information or help please call Allison Manwaring, Registrar on 0429 193 453, email hardensoccerclub@gmail.com or ring FFA myfootballclub Support Centre on 8020 4199 between 12 noon and 9.00 pm Monday to Friday or on Saturday from 10.00 am till 2.00 pm. There is also a Self Registration Guide available.

**A SAFE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT IS IMPORTANT TO OUR SCHOOL, PLEASE REPORT ANY SAFETY CONCERNS TO THE SCHOOL SO WE CAN ATTEND TO THEM APPROPRIATELY.**