PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

Looking forward to the end of this week we will be celebrating NAIDOC day on Thursday. The day will involve all students. Special guests and staff arranged activities will focus the students on the Aboriginal heritage that is a significant part of our country. The school assembly will also provide an occasion to recognise many students for their achievements this term.

Last week’s P&C meeting was well attended and was able to hear about and discuss a variety of school based issues. Among the topics was the School Plan and an outline of the planning process; the maintenance and improvements to the schools physical resources and the follow up to some recent school activities. Planning for the Father’s day stall and the Road side Clean up (Sept 19\textsuperscript{th}) were also discussed.

During the next school holidays an upgrade of the school’s technology infrastructure is planned. This will see improved wireless capability, simplified cabling and the whole network brought up to the most recent standards. This is a significant investment in the school and will enable the more effective implementation of technology throughout the school.

Around the school more trees have been planted and major work on reducing the areas of dirt in high traffic areas has progressed. The work of Mr Sloan in these projects has been invaluable. When I visit other schools the quality of the school environment at Hillston becomes apparent. This is something that visitors to the school also make very positive comments about.

Next Wednesday the SRC are presenting Hillston’s Got Talent. This afternoon event will showcase many of the students, particularly the performers from KROP. I am still receiving positive comments from other schools who saw the standout performance by our students.

The NAPLAN results for 2015 have been received at the school and will be distributed to parents and students during this week. A more detailed report will be part of next week’s newsletter.

Steve Chapman
Principal
Primary Parents Assembly
When: Friday 21/8/15 (Wk6)
Where: School Library
Time: 11:15am

The ‘spelling B’ will be held straight after the assembly and parents are welcome to stay.
At midday on Thursday 13th August, we held Reading Hour. It was great to see everyone involved and these photos show what a wonderful reading culture we have in our school.
## SECONDARY NAIDOC DAY ACTIVITIES

**Theme:** We all stand on sacred ground

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- Wear black, yellow or red
- And bring along a gold coin donation
WHEN- Lunch time
Thursday 20th of August
WHAT- sausage sizzle, steakette
sandwiches and cold drinks.
WHO- 9/10 commerce class
COST-
Steakettes- $3.00
Sausage sizzle- $2.00
Can of softdrink- $2.00

One of our major fundraisers is
on again! The Carrathool Shire has approved our stretch of road and are
paying us to clean up the roadsides. No setting up or cooking required, just a
walk in the sunshine.
When: Saturday 19th September, 2015
Time: 8.30 AM
Where: Meet at Mt Erin (Kent Burgess) Driveway
for induction and safety briefing
What to Bring: gloves, hat, water bottle
Get fit, and clean up our roads at the same time.
Purple merits up for grabs!!
Please contact Kent if you can come along
0428 672 530 or by email at
kentandjo01@bigpond.com
Funds raised go directly to school programs. Come along and support
your kids education!
Monday 24th August 2015

9:30 am—Parade

Our annual Book Week Parade is happening. Get those marvellous costumes happening! The theme this year is Reading Lights Up Our World, so why not come as a character or story that has lit up your world. Remember students need to bring the book that their character is from. They will also need to know about the character in their book, what the story is about or how the book has lit up their world.

10:30 am—Cupcake Competition

SRC are holding an RSPCA Cupcake Day to raise money for the RSPCA foundation. To enter the cupcake decorating competition, bring in 6 cupcakes decorated the way you want. Parents and students are welcome to buy cakes after the Book Parade for 50c. Don’t forget to bring in some cakes and good luck with the competition.

10:45 am—Book Fair

Hillston Central School is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair from Monday 24th to Friday 29th August, at lunch times (12:50 to 1:30pm), in the library. Books can be purchased by children and their families for home, or for library and classroom resources. Families, teachers and community members are invited to attend the Book Fair. We get a commission on the books you buy and this is spent on buying more books for our library. We look forward to seeing you there.

10:45 to 11:05 am—Morning Tea

Come and share recess with your children. Bring a morning tea picnic or buy and share some yummy cupcakes.
RAP 15/U BASKETBALL

On Wednesday 12th August RAP attended the 15 under Basketball Gala Day in Leeton. Both the boys and the girls played Leeton first and then Narrandera and unfortunately we lost all games. In the boys game Jack (APCS) played strongly in both matches and got the coaches choice for RAP’s best player. He played strongly in attack and made lots of rebounds. He top scored with 10 baskets. Kiffy played strongly in both games scoring a basket in the first games and two in the second game. He made plenty of quick breaks off rebounds. Kaleb played well in defence and became more confident as the match progressed in attack, but was unable to get a shot to go in. Simran got many opportunities in attack and was great at bringing to ball out and up the court in attack. Damian and Jayden played well in both games and learnt plenty about basketball and gained confidence as the games went on.

In the girls game the girls worked hard on getting their zone defence in order and this really came together in our second game against Narrandera. Jade, Amber and Timon really got the hang of it and proved a more solid defense for game two. Lekisha, Adela and Tatum did a great job as point guards and chased hard in both games. Natassia and Jade did a great job at bringing the ball down the court in attack. The girls have decided they need to work on their layups and shooting before next year as we had many opportunities but couldn’t sink the basket. Well done to Tatum, Natassia, Jade, Lekisha and Adela who all scored

While both teams went down they did have a little bet about who would score the most point– the boys got more against Leeton and the girls got more against Narrandera. Thanks to Merv Bartholomew for stepping in at the last minute to coach the Boys team and also Mr McCormack for bringing Jack across.
HILLSTON CENTRAL’S
Presented by Hillston Central School SRC

Got Talent?

Adults - $5
Kids - Gold Coin

6.30 PM START

Showcasing
Hillston Central School’s talent
26th August, 2015 at the B.N School Hall

Proceeds to be donated to the
Stephanie Scott Memorial at Leeton High School
This year we have turned Book Week into Book Month. Every week in August there is an exciting literacy event happening for our students.

**Friday 7th August 2015**
“The 26th Storey Tree House” @ Griffith Regional Theatre

**Thursday 13th August 2015**
Reading Hour from 12pm to lunch.

**Wednesday 19th August 2015**
Year 7 & 8 Song Writing Workshop with Julie Kryk

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**Wednesday 26th August 2015**
K-8 Author visit @ The WG Parker Memorial Library. Featuring Caroline Tuohey

Postponed
P&C FATHERS DAY STALL
When: Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th Sept, from the start of recess until the end of lunch
Where: Under the cola
Gifts range from $2.50 to $10

A selection of great quality gifts on sale; drink bottles, can coolers, mugs, USBs, insulated coffee mugs, stainless steel water bottles, camp lights, pens, tape measures, BBQ tools, beanies, socks and much more!
VALID SCIENCE TEST—YEAR 10

The Validation of Assessment 4 Learning & Individual Development (VALID) Science test for Year 10 students will be held on Monday 7 September 2015.

VALID Science 10 contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks that are grouped around real-world issues, including scientific investigations. This is an online diagnostic test, with tasks framed on Stage 5 outcomes and essential content in the NSW Science Years K–10 Syllabus. Results of the test will be available during Term 4 2015. Letters will be sent home this week to parents and carers, providing more details about the VALID test. If you have any queries please contact Miss Butler at school.

Year 8 students will be completing their VALID test in Term 4.

SECONDARY SPORT DATES

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Remember that if you are on Level 2 or above you are ineligible to participate

SRC RSPCA Cupcake Day!

24th August 2015

Cupcake decorating competition
Cupcakes will be judged by our ‘special guest’ in the morning
Cakes for sale at recess
All money raised will be donated to the RSPCA
**Taronga Zoomobile comes to Hillston!**

Local Land Services and Hillston Hook Line and the Sinker Fishing Festival Committee organised Taronga Zoomobile to visit as part of the fishing festival weekend. While aimed at school children, the whole audience will be able to meet, learn and interact with a range of native animals – with an emphasis on keeping our waterways healthy!

**Date:** Sunday 30 August 2015 as part of the Hillston Hook Line and Sinker Fishing Festival

**Time:** 9:30am to 1:00pm. There will be several sessions of 45 minutes run throughout the day, with first session at 9:30am and last session finishing by 1:00pm. The sessions will be scheduled before and after the Hillston Hook Line and Sinker Prize and Raffle draw, which start at approximately 11:00am.

**Cost:** Free!

**Do I need to register?** No, but to assist with organisation, you are encouraged to register with Joanne Lenehan on 0409 496 908 or Joanne.Lenehan@lls.nsw.gov.au or come speak to us during the Fishing Festival, we will be next to the NSW Fisheries or DPI Fish Trailer in the Hillston RSL courtyard.

Contact Kristy Tong for further information on 0428 672 786

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**Calling all...**

**WILD wacky wonderful women**

www.wildwackywonderfulwomen.com.au

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Carrathool Shire Council Hillston District Office

Sunday 20th September, from 9.30am to 4pm

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided

**RSVP essential for catering to:**

Linda McLean 0416 235 759 lmclean@rfsnsw-sr.com.au

Or call Ros Ruskin Rowe from House With No Steps on 0403 899 846 for further information

This free event is part of the Australian Government’s Drought Assistance Package

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Come to a unique, fabulous and fun personal development day with Sandra and Natalie

Sandra Martin

When you feel good, you walk tall, respecting yourself and then others respect you too.
HILLSTON SHOW 2016

The schedule for the 126th Annual Hillston Show has been released and students are encouraged to decide what sections they might enter. The show is to be held on Saturday 26th September. As well as the art, craft, and photography sections there are some activities that students will enjoy. There’s the Bushman’s relay where the junior comp for under 18 years needs a team of 3, including one female, entry fee of $10 and the open section, 18+, which has the same team requirements but an entry fee of $30. Up for the challenge? Get your team organised now and see if you really have bushman skills! Students could also enter the Junior Culinary section and bake scones or cakes or decorate Arrowroot biscuits. There are two sections that might interest junior gardeners - the Garden Produce section and the Scarecrow competition, from preschool to open. Begin collecting suitable “scarecrow” material and see what you can create. The Schoolwork Class has a variety of drawing, painting, printmaking, digital and sculptural sections.

COMMUNITY NEWS

GRiffith REPRESENTATIVE NETBALL SELECTION DAY WILL be held for the following teams on SUNDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER 2015
9 am 12 years (born 2004)
10 am 13 years (born 2003)
11 am 14 years (born 2002)
12 pm 15 years (born 2001)
1 pm 17’s (born 1999 or 2000)
1 pm OPENS
All girls must bring a ball and a drink bottle. No representative clothing to be worn for tryouts. Nomination forms to be completed on the morning. Any questions, please call Karen Lewis on 6964 8712 or 0417 648714

Thank you in anticipation,
Karen Lewis
Representative Netball Coordinator
Griffith Netball Association

KIDS CARD MAKING WORKSHOP

Date: SATURDAY 22ND AUG
Place: AT THE GALLERY
Time: MORNING & AFTERNOON SESSIONS
Cost: $10 EACH MUST BE OVER 7 YEARS

BOOK AT THE GALLERY 69671594

CLASS S – SCHOOLWORK

Entries Close FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER
Steward: Marlene MacDonald
All Exhibits must be in the hands of the Secretary no later than 2pm. All exhibits in this Class to be the bona-fide work of the exhibitor.

| Years 10, 11 & 12 | 1. Best Drawing |
| Years 7, 8 & 9 | 2. Best Painting |
| Years 5 & 6 | 3. Best Print Making |
| Years 3 & 4 | 4. Best Sculpture & 3D forms |
| Years 1 & 2 | 5. Best Digital Forms |
| Kindergarten | 6. Best Drawing |
| Preschool | 7. Best Painting |
| | 8. Best Print Making |
| | 9. Best Sculpture & 3D forms |
| | 10. Best Digital Forms |
| | 11. Best Drawing |
| | 12. Best Printing |
| | 13. Best Print Making |
| | 14. Best Sculpture & 3D forms |
| | 15. Best Digital Forms |
| | 16. Best Drawing |
| | 17. Best Painting |
| | 18. Best Print Making |
| | 19. Best Sculpture |
| | 20. Best Drawing |
| | 21. Best Painting |
| | 22. Best Sock Puppet |
| | 23. Best Printmaking – Potato, apple block |
| | 24. Best Drawing |
| | 25. Best Printing |
| | 26. Best Sock Puppet |
| | 27. Best Printmaking – Potato, apple block |
| | 28. Best Finger painting |
| | 29. Best Printmaking – Potato, apple block |
| | 30. Best Mirror painting |
| | 31. Best object made from play dough |