Dear Parents

Thankyou to 5/6JW for leading our assembly last Friday.

Thankyou to those families who have been keeping our children preparing for the Eucharist in their prayers.

This Friday we will be holding our Walk-a-thon on our school oval. This event has been well supported over the past few years. Thankyou to everyone for your wonderful support of this event and in turn of our school. There is a lot of work which is needed to co-ordinate this event and I wish to thank those parents very much for giving generously of their time.

School fees for term 2 are now being sent home. Fees are due on Friday, 20 June unless you are paying by pre-approved instalments. If any family is experiencing genuine financial hardship and would like to discuss payment options with me, please call the office to make an appointment.

**Professional Development**

Last week I attended and completed a Growth Coaching course. This is not related to sport but to being able to support people in the work place to set goals and clarify challenges for them. I also attended a Principal’s meeting which reminded me of the many challenges that we are faced balancing our Administration needs and the Educational needs of our schools. Taking time to reflect on this challenge just reminded me that our first priority should be the students needs which then will lead our Educational and Administrative needs. Obviously legal requirements are also external pressures on our schools. But we need to remember the core purpose of our school is to provide the best learning opportunities for our students.

Have a great week

Bede

“History is nothing but a series of stories, whether it be world history or family history.”

B. Mooney & D. Holt.
SCHOOL BANKING

School banking tomorrow!
Application packs for new accounts are available from the office.

UNIFORM SHOP-OPEN DAYS

The Uniform Shop will be open on-
- **Tuesday** - 8.30-8.45am
- **Friday** - 3.00-3.30pm
Second hand winter uniforms are now available. Donations are very much appreciated and we are in need of girls ties, size 6 & 8 winter culottes and pants.

KINROSS RAFFLE

We are still looking for volunteers our Kinross Meat Tray Raffles for the following dates:
- 14th June
- 12th July
- 13th September
- 8th November
- 13th December
If you can help on any of these dates please contact Jane Murtagh 0403869088 or jmmurtagh@bigpond.com

VINNIES BLANKET APPEAL

On behalf of the St Vincent de Paul Society, we are collecting blankets for those in need. If you have a good quality used or new blanket that you would like to donate, please send it into the school office. Thankyou!

ST ANNE’S SCHOOL FETE

Save the date for our Fete!
Friday, 10th October.
Preliminary planning is underway! A separate note went home last week calling for fete volunteers, suggestions of new ideas and feedback regarding last year’s fete. Volunteers are welcome to give as little or as much time as they like, with any assistance given greatly appreciated! Spare copies of the Fete Preparation note are available from the office.

UNIDENTIFIED SCHOOL FEE PAYMENTS

If this payments belong to you, please contact the office.
- **$572** paid into the school account on 10th March.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

**This week:**
- Wed. 28 May - Rochelle Duncan, Suzanne Bijster
- Thu 29 May - Cate Bell
- Fri 30 May - Jason O’Keefe, Mandy Quirk, Anne-Marie McAuley

**Next Week**
- Wed, 4 June - Robyn Frohling, Nikki Summerfield
- Thu, 5 June - Paula Molnar, Sharon Doubleday
- Fri, 6 June - Michelle Aldrich, Melissa Healy, Donna McDonnell

We are still looking for volunteers for Fridays. If you can help, please contact the office. Thank you.

St Anne’s is a nut-free school. Nuts and nut products must not be brought to school.

DIOCESAN ATHLETICS CHANGE OF DATE

We have been informed that the date of this Carnival has been postponed and will now be held a week later on Wednesday, 18th June.

LIBRARY NEWS

May is National Family Reading Month. This encourages students to ‘Read Every Day’ with their families. Scholastic have a competition going which encourages children to read for at least 10 minutes every day. There is over $10 000 worth of prizes to be won. To learn more about what’s involved visit this website:


Happy reading
Rochelle O’Callaghan

SPORT NEWS

- Congratulations to Alex and Euriah whose MacKillop AFL team won the Grand Final in Sydney last week. Well done!
- PSSA junior soccer trials will be held tomorrow. Senior soccer trial date will be advised (postponed today due to weather).

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Please be aware that if your child is going to be away from school for 5 or more consecutive days (such as for a family holiday), then you will need to complete an “Application for Exemption from Attendance at School” form which is available from the office.
WALK-A-THON & SAUSAGE SIZZLE THIS FRIDAY

- The walk will now be held from 11.45am, this is after the first break.
- The sausage sizzle will be held at the end of the walk-a-thon, at the second break (1.10pm)
- Sausage sizzle orders forms went home with each child last week and must be returned with the correct money by tomorrow. Sausages cost $1.50 each. Please note that orders will not be accepted after tomorrow.
- A separate note went home yesterday to Year 1 families asking for donations of cakes/biscuits/slices to be offered for sale to parents attending the walk-a-thon. Any donations will be very much appreciated!
- Walk-a-thon sponsorship forms with correct money are due back at school tomorrow.
- Your kids would love your support on the day and we are looking for parent helpers for the day - helping with the BBQ, helping children place beads on necklaces as they complete laps and general happy smiling to encourage them along. There will be real coffee and cake for you to purchase during the morning. Please contact Jo Dykes if you can help. 0409 634 699 joannedykes@hotmail.com

CENTACARE’S TRIPLE P

0-12 YEARS GROUP PARENTING PROGRAM
Parents have the important role of raising healthy well adjusted children who have the skills and confidence to succeed at school and in their relationship with others. The four session program offers suggestions and ideas on positive parenting.

DATES: Starts: Wednesday 28th May
        Ends: Wednesday 25th June 2014
TIME: Evenings 6.00pm – 9.00pm
VENUE: Slattery Centre, 515 Smollett Street Albury
PRESENTERS: Suzie Hogan
COST: FREE
Please phone Centacare Albury for more information, bookings are essential Please register your interest by Monday the 19th May 02 60510222 or email info@centacarewagga.org.au

100 CLUB RAFFLE
‘KID’S GARDENING PACK’
Our current 100 Club raffle is for a Kid’s Gardening Pack.

The lucky winner will receive -
- $10 Peard’s Nursery voucher
- mini greenhouse
- pair of children’s gardening gloves
- mini sunflower kit
- veggie garden kit (contains carrot, pea and pumpkin seeds)
- two mini gardening tools
- 3 packets of seeds -
  - ‘Butterfly Garden’ mix
  - Cress (good for growing egg shell grass-heads)
  - Purple beans

Proceeds from this raffle will be used by the Garden Committee to continue work on the school gardens.

Lucky numbers cost $2 each and can be purchased from the office.

GARDEN UPDATE
Recent visitors to our school would have noticed that works are continuing on our gardens near the parents car-park.

MATHS PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT
All families are invited to participate in a month long project to find examples of Maths in the natural and man made world around us. For each day in the month of June (on the calendar provided) there will be a Maths concept to find and photograph. Photos can be emailed to Mrs Moran moranb@ww.catholic.edu.au) or printed out and handed in to the school office. A display will be made using the photographs and will be up for viewing in the school hall.

If you are interested in participating, please collect a calendar from the school office. When submitting photographs be sure to name and label them with the date they match from the calendar.

FUNDRAISING SURVEY
Thank you to all the families who replied to our survey. Responses have been collated and are now being reviewed and prioritized. We will keep you informed as decisions are made.

UPDATES
Please follow us on twitter, Facebook and download our app (see front page of newsletter) to receive the latest school announcements.
Thanks to Isabelle (1B) & Elijah’s (2Mc) mum, Nadia, for sending us this great autumn photo!

God’s Creation – Nature Collages
Our Kinder children collected autumn leaves, flowers, shells and pieces of bark to make beautiful collages. Some of these collages are on display in the office.

5/6 JW Assembly