Welcome to Term 4
How the year has flown! Welcome back to Term 4. We will be gearing up for another busy term with our school photo day, our P&C Spring Fair, the Cherry Festival Float, Kindergarten Orientation Program, tennis for sport, Book Fair, school swimming scheme and, of course, our end of year activities – the Year 6 farewell and our Presentation Night!

It is lovely to see the children back at school refreshed and ready to start.

Canteen on Thursday
Thank you to Jacinta who will be serving up ham & pineapple pizza and ice cream for dessert this Thursday for canteen.

Thanks so much to parents who have volunteered their time to organise Canteen for this term. Please find the roster attached. Could you please let Angie know (on the Monday before your rostered day) what you will be serving up? Thanks so much!

Student Absence Notes
To make things a little easier for parents, we have been given a template Absence Note for parents to use when their child/ren is/are absent from school for both partial and whole day absences. You will find a few attached to this newsletter for your convenience.

It would be very much appreciated if parents could use these notes for any student absences in the future. Thanks so much.

Whole School Excursion
We have had some great feedback regarding our whole school excursion to the Blue Mountains last term. Thanks so much to parents who could come along and help organise children and meals.

Photographs from the excursion have been saved into a folder that students can access at school. Should a parent or student like a copy they can send a flash drive to school onto which the photos can be saved. Also, if any family has photos from the excursion that they would like to share please send these into school and we can save them along with the other photos for sharing. A selection of photos from the excursion will be attached to next week’s newsletter.

The students have written about their experiences on excursion and these will also be attached to next week’s newsletter.

Premier’s Spelling Challenge
Congratulations to Matilda DeBritt and Hannah Steenbergen who represented our school at the Premier’s Spelling Bee Regional event in Wagga at the end of Term 3. All students performed well and got through several rounds.

A special thanks goes to Karen Steenbergen who transported the students to and from Wagga for this event.

Tennis for Sport
Each year in Term 4 we organise the local tennis coach, Col Maher to attend our school for the first 5 Fridays of the term.

After this time, he selects a team from our students to represent our school in the Small Schools Annual Tennis Day.

Our students are looking forward to tennis for sport. This year, the following dates have been booked:
- Fridays 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th of October and 6th November.

Cost: Five lessons at $5 per child per lesson totalling $25 per child for this activity. Parents may pay weekly or the total upfront fee.

Tennis lessons will commence THIS Friday, 9th October.

Cherry Festival Float
The Cherry Festival Float is being organised with the Cherry Festival Parade set for Saturday, 5th December 2015. We would like to gauge how many people plan to attend – please complete and return the attached note as soon as possible.

Brown Thackeray Carnival
The Brown Thackeray Carnival is being held on Saturday, 24th October (end of Week 3). Please keep this day free and come along and enjoy a day of sports, fun and games. The students will be practising events and activities at school leading up to the carnival. A permission note regarding whether you are attending is attached to this newsletter.

School Photo Day
School Photo Day has been organised for Wednesday 21st October and students will be asked to wear their summer uniform. Parents are reminded that this uniform includes black shoes. Please see your order packages attached. These are to be completed and returned to the school by Friday 16th October, 2015. Thanks!

P&C Spring Fair Meat Raffle REMINDER
Please try to sell as many tickets as possible and see Angie in the office should you require some more. ALL SOLD AND UNSOLD TICKETS HAVE TO BE RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL by Monday, 26th October to ensure all those who have purchased tickets are eligible to win. THIS IS ALSO AN IMPORTANT ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE SCHOOL.

Homework
Thank you to the students (and parents/carers) who have returned their homework to school on Fridays for marking. Please return homework Friday morning.

Infants homework: As outlined in the students’ homework books.

Primary Homework: This week primary students will be completing Unit 26.

Times Tables Drill:
- Year 3 x2
- Year 4 x4
- Year 5 and 6 x6
Earn and Learn Woolworths Promotion

Thanks so much to Jacinta Edgerton counted all our stickers which totaled: 7500. Thanks so much to all parents who sent in their stickers. We look forward to ordering items online.

Shelters Expo – Primary Students

The Shelters Expo held at the Young Town Hall in the last week of Term 3 was very successful with our students doing extremely well!
The following students received awards:

**Most Sustainable Shelter**: Will Gregory and Vernon Azana
**Most Functional Shelter**: Zac Dodge and Drew Eder
**Best Overall Shelter**: Matilda DeBritt, Hannah Steenbergen

Congratulations to all students who researched; thought creatively and designed strategically to create amazing shelters that met the needs of a variety of different people. The judges spoke glowingly of the students’ knowledge and application to this task.

Thanks so much to our parent(s) who were able to organise lunches for the day.

Please see some photos of the Expo attached to this newsletter!

Kindergarten Orientation Program

The Kindergarten Orientation Program for 2015 will once again be held in Term 4 commencing Tuesday, 13th October. It has been decided to continue holding this event on Tuesdays as children are able to be included in the weekly library lesson (and can borrow books from the school) however, due to the Book Character Parade and Book Fair on being held Wednesday, 11th November, we have decided to make that day the last orientation day for 2015. We look forward to welcoming all our 2016 Kindergarten students who will join in on lessons and have the chance to become accustomed to school days and to make new friends.

Melbourne Cup Dress Up

Each year the children have a fun dress-up day for Melbourne Cup Day. This will be held on Tuesday 3rd November.

Annual Book Fair – Reminder

The children are already talking about the annual book fair and parade. To those parents newer to the school, Scholastic Book Fairs forward books to the school for parents to purchase for their children. From the selection, children and/or parents and teachers choose book prizes for the children to be presented during the Annual Presentation Night in December.

Next week there will be a note about the Book Fair, Book Character Parade and selection of books for end of year awards attached to the newsletter.

Reminders

Please note/return the following to school as soon as possible:

- Brown Thackeray attendance note
- Cherry Festival attendance note
- Tennis for Sport commences Friday!
- Tennis for Sport Payments
- Canteen Order
- Spring Fair Advertising Pamphlets
- Spring Fair Guessing Comp/Meat Raffle tickets
- School Photo Day (orders attached)

Dates to Remember - Term 4

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>13 Oct</td>
<td>Kindergarten Orientation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20 Oct</td>
<td>Kindergarten Orientation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21 Oct</td>
<td>School Photo Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>24 Oct</td>
<td>(SATURDAY) Brown Thackeray</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>27 Oct</td>
<td>Kindergarten Orientation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>31 Oct</td>
<td>Spring Fair</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3 Nov</td>
<td>Kindergarten Orientation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10 Nov</td>
<td>Kindergarten Orientation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11 Nov</td>
<td>Kindergarten Orientation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23Nov-4Dec</td>
<td>School Swimming Scheme</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18 Nov</td>
<td>Young High School Orientation Day 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8th Dec</td>
<td>TUESDAY – PRESENTATION NIGHT</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Save the Date - Maimuru Spring Fair - 31 October

Please return your volunteer for Spring Fair jobs notes to the school as soon as possible. Thank you!

Please ask Angie for more copies of the Spring Fair advertisement pamphlets should you have more people/businesses to hand out to.

Also, we have plenty of meat raffle tickets at the school to be sold – please come and get as many as you think you can sell! Thank so much!

Attentions for this Newsletter

- Canteen Order