This week (Thursday 10th Sept) we will be sharing Australian food at lunch time instead of having canteen that day and the following week we will be on our whole school excursion. Thanks to all the ladies who assisted in canteen this term.

**NO canteen Week 9 and NO canteen Week 10.**

**Australian Identity**

To complete our HSIE unit on Australian Identity, we will be having a “Being Australian” day on Thursday, 10th September (Week 9). On that day the students are asked to bring along:

- Something Australian to wear (eg Akubra hat, leather boots, cork hat- students can come out of uniform)
- Something Australian to show (eg boomerang or koala toy)
- Something Australian to eat and share (eg Vegemite sandwiches, ANZAC cookies, lamingtons)

If they have a board game or something else about Australia, they could bring that along too.

We will share the Australian food at lunch time instead of having canteen that day.

**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 25.

- **Times Tables Drill:** Year 3 and 4 x7
- **Year 5 and 6 x8**

**Primary Home Readers**

The children are encouraged to change their Home Readers each day.

**Special Spring Fair Mtg tomorrow**

A SPECIAL MEETING regarding the Spring Fair will be held TOMORROW at the school from 3.20pm. Please come along as we welcome your input!

**Uniform Order Term 3**

Uniform orders have been sent off. We expect orders to be back early next term, but if they arrive before the holidays, they will be sent home as soon as possible after their arrival.

**Premier’s Spelling Challenge**

Four students from Maimuru Public School (Matilda DeBritt, Madi Gembles and Hannah Steenbergen) have been given the opportunity to compete in the Premier’s Spelling Bee being held in Wagga Wagga on Monday, 14th September.

Should we not have received your note back for this, please find another attached. Please complete and send back tomorrow so that we can confirm participation and transport. Thank you.

**Shelters Expo – Primary Students**

Students from Maimuru, Murringo, Wombat and Bowning Public Schools have been undertaking an integrated unit on Shelters. The students have looked at the needs of different groups, shelter deprivation, and sustainable house designs and are currently very busy in planning, designing and building shelters that meet specific criteria. The students’ designs, plans and models will be on display at an expo at Young Town Hall on Tuesday, 15th September. Parents, family and friends will be most welcome to visit the expo. The presentations will be on display from midday with awards being announced from 1pm.

Please find attached a medical consent form/permission note and letter attached to this newsletter.

**Shelter Expo Meal Deal**

Attached is a Meal Deal for your Primary children to order lunch on Tuesday next week (15th September). Please complete and return these orders tomorrow so that we can be organised for the day.

Thanks to those parents who have already sent in their availability to assist with lunch orders on Tuesday 15th.
September. If you have not already done so, could you return the completed form in tomorrow, please?

**Sporting Schools - Gymnastics**

The Sporting Schools gymnastics program concludes this Friday with 2 x two hour sessions. The children have been practising gymnastics skills since our last Sporting Schools gymnastics day. The school has been very fortunate to have received funding for this program from the Australian Sports Commission.

**Fathers’ Day**

We hope our fathers enjoyed their gifts and had a lovely day yesterday.

**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 Wednesday, 11th November, we have decided to make that day the last orientation day. 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.

A letter with regard to the Kindergarten Orientation Program will be forwarded home to parents of 2016 Kindergarten students next week.

**Earn and Learn Woolworths Promotion**

Please keep sending in the sticker sheets. Thanks!

**Whole School Excursion**

Students can wear non uniform on the excursion. Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th September.

Thanks so much to those parents who have already returned notes and have paid or are paying off the excursion.

I would like to remind parents that you and your children will need to have cash for lunch and afternoon tea on day 2, as well as for any items you wish to purchase as souvenirs.

The itinerary is attached to this newsletter.

**Reminders**

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

- Whole School Excursion permission/medical consent
- Please bring something Australian for lunch (to share) on Thursday as well as dress up
- Home Reading Books
- Lunch order assistance sheet for Tuesday 15 Sept.
- Lunch Orders for Tuesday 15th Sept (Primary only)
- Spring Fair volunteer sheet
- Spring Fair special meeting

**P&C News**

**Next P&C Meeting**

**Tues. 6th October**

Commencing 3.20pm
To finish by 4.30pm

Minutes of the last P&C Meeting (held 1st September) are attached for your information.

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**Live Life Well@School**

**A Quick Bite ...**

**Composting for best results!**

Composting recycles waste, improves soil, fertilises and protects plants with good organisms.

1. Collect ‘green’ nitrogenous waste like fruit & vegetable scraps, grass clippings, green leaves and dry ‘brown’ carbon rich ingredients like leaves, woody twigs, paper and straw (smaller the better).

2. The ideal ratio is about 40-60 ‘brown’ waste to 1 ‘green’ waste. Layer dry ‘brown’ waste, then ‘green’ waste on top and repeat until your pile is approximately 1 cubic metre. Add enough water so the pile is moist.

3. Turn your compost once a week with a fork to aerate it and generate heat.

4. Depending on the time of year, within 8 weeks you can top up your gardens with beautiful composted soil.