PRINCIPAL’S REPORT—WEEK 11

What a busy week.

I would like to begin this week by congratulating our new P&C executive. At last week’s AGM Leanne McMillan was returned as P&C President, Angela Harris and Katrina Llewellyn were elected as Vice Presidents and Lindsay Brash will continue as Treasurer. The executive team of the P&C are hard working parents who value our school, staff and the opportunities we can provide for their children by working together. I look forward to continuing the work of the school with the help and support of the P&C.

I was very proud today to witness our orchestra students join with other students from all the public schools in Armidale for the first rehearsal of the Armidale Community of Schools Orchestra. This initiative was implemented by the principals in Armidale as a means to support the orchestras in the individual schools and to provide an opportunity for all orchestral groups to work together in workshops each term to develop their performance skills. The workshops will be run by Bronwyn Jones from Ben Venue and supported by orchestra and class teachers from each of the schools. The first workshop was held at our school yesterday and the members of the orchestra performed for our school at the end of the day. We have such amazing talent in our primary schools - well done, kids.

A reminder that ANZAC Day, 25 April, this year falls on Thursday in the second week of the holidays. Students are invited to participate in the ANZAC Day March with representatives from our school. Students will meet in Moore Street at 10.15am to walk to Central Park. In the event of wet weather the schools representatives will be invited to lay a wreath at a service in the Ex-Services Club.

The school’s ANZAC service will be held this Friday at 12.00pm. Parents are most welcome to attend.
Congratulations to Isaac Tanikomave who has made it through to State level in the PSSA Rugby League. Isaac will play in Sydney in June. Congratulations also to Rachelle Waters who has been selected to represent North West in Hockey.

Well done, skippers. Last week’s Jump Rope for Heart was a great event. All children enjoyed a range of activities which demonstrated their skipping and fitness skills. I urge all students to return their sponsorship forms and money to the front office by Thursday. A big thank you to Jodie Ridley for her inspiration and organisation of this great event.

Congratulations and thank you to all students and staff who participated in Mondays ‘Crazy Hair/Pyjama day’. This event raised $496. Thank you to all the parents and students who used their imagination in creating some amazing hair styles.

Earlier this week a note came home about payment options for the Stage 3 Excursion to Canberra. I would urge all patents to take the opportunity to pay by instalments as outlined in the note or to pay a small amount each week as this will ensure you are not finding it difficult to find larger amounts towards Term 4.

FETE Meeting tonight

at 6.00pm.

Friday 3 May will be a MUFTI Day - the cost of coming out of uniform is a bottle for the bottle stall.

A reminder that school resumes for staff on Monday 29 April but students do not return to school until Wednesday 1 May.

I would like to thank staff, students and parents for all their hard work this term and wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday break.

Cherrie Paterson
Relieving Principal

5/6B CLASS NEWS

It has been a very busy term in 5/6B! After settling into our new class we have focused on Expositions and Narratives in writing. We have even started a friendly competition with 5/6J seeing who can create the best arguments for an exposition relating to whether we should have homework or not.

We have tackled some challenges in mathematics facing dreaded division and double digit multiplication.

We have decorated our classroom in our amazing artworks from fire breathing dragons, paper lanterns to jungle scenes. Last week we were extremely excited to use shaving foam and poster paint to create colourful snow gums.

We are looking forward to a lovely two week holiday to come back fresh and ready for another big term!

Miss Peta Bell
Class Teacher

YOUNG LEADERS’ DAY

Last fortnight, our Year Six leaders travelled by train to Sydney, to attend the Young Leaders’ Conference. After an exhausting 8 hours on the train, they finally reached the Goldberg Hotel. The Goldberg was their accommodation for the three day trip.

Many schools attended the conference, which was on Monday 25 March. There were some speakers including Mike Martian, Creel Price, Brett Lee, Jess Fox and Nathan Hindmarsh, who came to speak about what makes a great leader and how to be a good leader. The student leaders all found these speeches very inspiring. We found it really interesting when Nathan Hindmarsh said “You are you, you are one, you are a leader.”

We would all like to thank the parents who participated, especially those who looked after children other than their own. We had a great time.

By Katie Jones and Annie Worthing
REMINDES

Cross Country Running Armidale
Athletic and Little Athletics

Clubs
Cross country is great for training, exercise, competition and fun. All age groups, children and adults running together.

When?
Every Wednesday afternoon during term 2 and 3, 4.15pm for 4:30 start.

Where?
Moran Oval, Taylor St Armidale.

Cost?
$50/family or $25/person

How far?
1k, or 1.5km or 2.5km or 5km

Want More information?
Contact Pauline Smith 0429422260

SOCIAL
YEARS 3-6
TONIGHT
$2 ENTRY
6.00PM - 7.30PM

FETE
MEETING TONIGHT
10 APRIL
6PM
In the library

PIZZA DAY
This Friday
NO ORDERS ACCEPTED
AFTER TOMORROW

SOUL BANKING
School Banking will recommence Tuesday Week 3.

Jump Rope For Heart
sponsorship forms and money need to be returned by this Thursday.

SCHOOL BANKING

Jump Rope For Heart sponsorship forms and money need to be returned by this Thursday.

THIS FRIDAY
APRIL 12
ANZAC DAY
ASSEMBLY
12NOON
IN THE AUDITORIUM

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

- Family Relationship Centre
- Exchange Students Families needed
- NERAM
- Tennis Lessons
- NECOM
- Montessori Preschool Information
- Bridge Education Support Services
- OzSports - Hockey
- HipHop Information
- Golf Days
- Tutoring
- Tennis Camps
- Violin Teacher
- Blue Light Disco
- Armidale City Band Expressions of interest for Primary School

If you would like more information on these events please call into our office and check out our Community Noticeboard.
The countdown ‘TO DO’ list to Fete Day …

5. COME ALONG TO THE FETE MEETING TONIGHT!
While your children are at the school social, join us at the fete meeting …
• 6pm until 7.30pm, Wednesday 10 April in the school library.
A great way to contribute your ideas and be a part of the P&C’s biggest fundraiser of the year!

4. SELL SOME RAFFLE TICKETS!
Mother’s Day Fete Raffle tickets are attached to this week’s Blue and White.
There are some fantastic prizes on offer for raffle winners … There are also prizes for the children who sell the most tickets!
While we don’t encourage children to sell tickets door-to-door … family, friends and anyone who walks in your door are fair game!
(If you need more tickets, they are available from the front office.)
Ticket stubs and collected money should be returned to the front office prior to fete day. Don’t forget to write your child’s name and class on the front of the booklet so that they can have a chance at winning a prize!
(It is fine if you prefer not to sell tickets, but could you please return your unsold booklets to the front office)

3. SIGN UP TO HELP ONE OF THE FANTASTIC FETE STALLS
• Could you be a Stall Convenor? It’s not as hard as it sounds and there is lots of support!
• Find some time to help sort donations before the day; or
• Help on a stall at the fete – even just half an hour is a fantastic contribution!

Stalls include:

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And of course, anything new anyone would like to do!!!!!!!

2. SHEEP POO DRIVE – SAVE THE DATE:
Saturday afternoon, 4 May at Gostwyck. Join our happy band of sheep poo shovellers. For further details contact Pauline on 0402536275.
... AND get in early with your order as the sheep poo always sells out quickly! See the order form on last page of Blue and White.

1. FILL A FETE BOX …
The school holidays are the perfect time to clean out your cupboards and collect some fete treasures. Remember, your ‘trash’ could be someone else’s treasure!
No need to send in donations just yet, but get a fete box ready with things like:
• Second-hand items in good condition: clothes, books, CDs, magazines, games, toys, household items …
• Clean jars with lids and jar fillers such as soaps, hair scrunchies, stickers, pencils, small toys or bouncy balls for the ALWAYS popular bottle stall!
• Pots for the potted plants stall

Stage Donations - traditionally each stage will focus on collecting for a particular stall:
• Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 – small prizes for Lucky Dip etc;
• Stage 2 – Cake Stall ; Stage 3 – Beautiful Baskets
(Details will come home from class teachers early next term)

Remember there will be house points for donations ... and a mufti day as an added incentive!

Donations will be collected at the beginning of Term 2 ... stay tuned!

GET INVOLVED ... by coming along to a fete meeting, dropping the slip below into the front office or contacting this year’s fete coordinators: Leanne Cooper coop.s4@bigpond.com or 0488 559 928 ; and Katrina Llewellyn: kattrinllewellyn3@gmail.com or 0424 402 622.

I can help! Name: __________________________ Contact Details: __________________________
Child/ren: ___________________________________ Class/es: __________________________

All help is voluntary but very gratefully received!
ARMIDALE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL
SHEEP MANURE FUNDRAISER – 2013 FETE
ORDER FORM

Name: ..............................................................................................................

Telephone contact number: .................................................................

No. of bags ...................... @ $7 per bag = $........................

Tick one box

☐ Please deliver my manure to the following address
   (in town) @ $2 per bag delivery fee.

   Delivery is free if ordering 10 or more bags.

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$........................

OR

☐ I will collect my manure from the fete on Saturday, 11 May.

   TOTAL OWING $............................

Payment is required at time of collection/delivery.

For more information or to place orders please contact
Pauline Sindel on 6772 6794 or 0402 536 275 or psindel@dodo.com.au

RETURN ORDER FORM TO FRONT OFFICE
AT SCHOOL OR TO PAULINE.