DUE BACK TOMORROW
Thursday 17 March
Orders can be collected from the school on Tuesday 22 March from 3pm.

3/4R Festival of the Famous
**Principal’s Report — Week 8**

The Armidale Autumn Festival Parade is on this Saturday, 19 March and Armidale City Public School students are asked to come along and participate dressed in full sports uniform including their school hats. Students need to assemble in the park across from the TAFE from 12.15pm.

Parents are welcome to join us in representing the Armidale City Public School community.

Good luck to our school team of Peter, Noah, Ruki and Ryan in the National Final of the Literacy Quiz challenge in Sydney this weekend. We know you will do your best and represent Armidale City Public School with pride. We look forward to hearing more about your exploits when you return.

A big thank you must go to all parents, students and family members who supported our inaugural ‘camp out’ last Friday night. Funds raised from the event will be going towards our school excursion fund. The ‘camp out’ will be evaluated in the near future and planning for 2017 has already commenced. Thank you to staff who came along and helped out with the evening and following morning activities.

Congratulations to Stage 1 students on their performance of Popsico at our assembly on Tuesday afternoon. It was wonderful to see you all enjoying yourselves and performing for students, staff and family members in attendance - well done, children.

Over the past couple of weeks students have been busily preparing and presenting their ‘Festival of the Famous’ talks during library. Students are to be commended on the time and effort they have put being involved in this activity and to be congratulated on the thought they have put into their presentations.

Parents are reminded that if regular routines are varied at all regarding students going home in the afternoon it would be greatly appreciated if you could please notify the school office so we can ensure safety of all students. We thank parents and families for their support with this.

Please feel free to send me an email at any time on the address below. Have a great week everyone.

Mr Matt Hobbs
Principal
matthew.hobbs@det.nsw.edu.au

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**P&C News**

Easter is just only just over a week away!

So it’s Easter Raffle time. Tickets are due back by Monday 21 March. Win a basket of Easter goodies. Tickets are only $1 each and the raffle will be drawn at the K-E Easter Hat Parade.

Thank you to everyone who came and camped at school on Friday night. Thank you especially to all those who took part in the BBQ and the teachers who came and gave their time running the canteen and all of the activities. A special thank you to Mrs MacGregor for all her amazing organisational skills!

Our TRIVIA NIGHT is only 1 week after Easter. It is time to get organised, find a a table of 10 and buy your tickets from the office Saturday 2 April, 7pm at the Armidale Golf Club. Tickets $10 each from the School Office.

MOTHERS’ DAY FETE 7 May, 2016

Our fete is our main fundraising event for the year and we need everyone’s help. It’s time to start collecting vital items and coming up with ideas for great new stalls.

Why not do a clean out over Easter and collect for the clothing, toy and white elephant stalls?

Come along to the Fete Meeting on Wednesday 23 March at 5.15pm.

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**SPORTS NEWS**

Last Friday, APS played BVPS in Round 2 of the PSSA Cricket Knockout. Sam batted well and made 40 retired. All the whole team fielded and bowled well but unfortunately Ben Venue was too strong on the day. Congratulations on your efforts boys.

Congratulations to the following children who have been selected in Zone teams.

Rugby League: Jacob, Shaun, Steven and Harry.

Hockey: Imogen.

The children will now attend trials for North West teams later this term. We hope your success continues at the next level.

Zone Trials will be held this week for soccer and cricket. Good luck to the following children.

Soccer: Camille, Mya, Angus and Nick.

Cricket: Sam, Jacob, Angus and Jordan.

Thank you.

Rose Richards
Mitchell House Captain

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**Congratulations**

Work of the Fortnight

| KR | Stella |
| KB | Eloise |
| KG | Henry |
| 1/2L | Hugh |
| 1/2C | Patrick |
| 1/2E | Sam |
| 1/2L | Lilly |
| 1/2KS | Rilee |
| 3/4S | Mary, Brendan, Theresa, Kodi, Ellen and Maya |
| 3/4H | Katie |
| 3/4J | Hamish |
| 3/4R | Charlotte |
| 5/6T | Amelia |
| 5/6K | Ben |
| 5/6Mac | Amy |
| 5/6R | Georgia and Alexander |

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**5/6R Class News**

What a busy term 5/6R has been experiencing so far. We have a team of students off to the National final of the Kids Literature Quiz in Sydney this weekend — good luck Ruki, Ryan, Noah and Peter. We also have several students involved in the Public Speaking Club and with the debating group that Mrs McGrath is running.

In our class lessons we have been studying glass artist Dale Chihuly. So far we have undertaken a collaborative project involving the whole class and are currently completing individual sculptures. Our next experiment is to see what forms can be made mixing plastic and heat.

Potions class has seen students involved in identifying food colourings used in candy through the process of chromatography. They will soon be investigating density, creating a rainbow of coloured liquids.

Don’t forget to come by our class and see the photo board of the happenings in 5/6R.

Mrs Maria Russell
Class Teacher

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**Autumn Festival Parade**

The students are encouraged to wear full school SPORT uniform as the theme is ‘sporting heroes’. Children will need to wear their broad brimmed school hat and will need a water bottle.

We will congregate with other schools in the park opposite the TAFE College at 12.15pm. The parade starts at 12.30pm. Students whose parents are not walking in the parade may collect their children from the Monckton Aquatic Centre at the end of the parade.

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**Canteen**

Next Thursday the Canteen will be selling hot cross buns for $1.50

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**Don’t forget to bring in your plastic bottle tops for Mrs MacGregor!!!**