P & C AGM
Thank you to all the parents who attended the AGM of the P & C last week. Office bearers for 2013 are:

President: George Mackinlay
Vice President: Mark Leov
Secretary: Chris Davenport
Treasurer: Sue Wright.

Congratulations to these parents and I’m looking forward to working with them and the P & C during the next 12 months.

Annual School Report
The Annual School Report for 2012 will be available on the school website later this week. It is a very comprehensive summary of the achievements of last year.

Lions Youth of the Year—Victorian Final
The school community wishes Laura Kane all the best in the State Final of the very prestigious Lions Youth of the Year Competition. Laura will be competing against four other students in Wangaratta this Saturday. The winner will go onto the National Final in Canberra.

ANZAC Day
The school ANZAC Ceremony will be held on the last day of term, Friday 12 April. The school would also like to encourage all of our students to participate in local community ceremonies on 25 April.

School Magazine
The 2012 School Magazine is now available. If you haven’t prepaid for a copy then copies are available for sale from the front office.
Principal Report cont...

Attendance Check
The second attendance check for the term will take place this Friday. Parents are asked to ensure that the absences are explained by term.

Coming Events
School Disco 10/04/13
School Cross Country 10/04/13
Parent, Student, Staff Conferences 11/04/13

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Booking Sheets have gone out for these conferences on Thursday 11 April. It is for Years 7-12 and runs from 4.00pm-7.00pm in the hall.

School Development Days
A reminder that there is a second School Development Day being held at the start of next term. This is to support the introduction of the National Curriculum for Years 7 and 9 in English, Maths, Science and History in 2014. School will resume on Wednesday 1 May after the holidays.

Assignment Starters A-Z
What projects or essays does your child have that are due by the end of term? One of them could be among the School A-Z website’s assignment starters – resources designed to point you in the right direction. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-assignments

Buying an E-reader or Tablet
E-readers may be a good way to get reluctant readers into books, plus they let you carry your library around with you wherever you go. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/using-technology/e-book-re-kindle-love-of-reading

April School Holidays
Have you got April school holidays organised yet? It’s not too late to book for a Sport and Recreation Kids’ Camp. Watch the video to see how much fun these kids are having. Find out more: http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps/
Billabong Highlights

Country Carnival which will run during sport time.

Athletics
Notes will be handed out this week in preparation for our Athletics Carnival which will be held at Alexandra Park on the first Friday of week one next term. Buses will take students from Billabong to Alexandra Park. It is important to get notes back as soon as possible so that final numbers can be given to the buses companies.

Senior First Aid
Notes are going out for many Year 11 students who will be undertaking a Senior First Aid course next term. The course will be held at the Culcairn Football Netball Club Rooms over the 13 and 14 May.

State Swimming
We wish Ty Voss, Alyce Parker, Greta Mackinlay, Melanie Wright and Ruby McGrath all the best as they take part in the State CHS Swimming Championships at Homebush later this week.

Thank You
The Learning Support Team would like to thank the following people:

Mr Chris Maher for donating the round tanks, making them safe for the students to use and delivering them to the school.

Mr Dallas Schuller for the donation of top soil and Mr Mark Leov for delivering the top soil to school.

Duke of Edinburgh
Last week 17 bronze and seven silver level students completed their Qualifying Adventurous Journeys.

In perfect conditions the students trekked a total of 37 km carrying all their equipment and food for three days and two nights. Leaving Tumbarumba, the team made camp at Mannus Lake the first night. Day two was a much more demanding challenge and all students were pleased to finally reach Mundaroo Camp Site for the second night. On the final morning the group walked to Lindon Roth Drive to meet the bus.

It is now important that students concentrate on the other aspects of their award. All should be aiming to complete these by the end of term three.

Cross Country
Year 7 students will walk the Cross Country course this Wednesday during sport time. Students will leave Billabong at 2.00 pm to ensure that all students arrive back in time to catch buses. Next week all students will be taking part in the Cross Country Carnival which will run during sport time.

MATHS PUZZLE FOR THE WEEK
Add one line to the problem to make it correct.

5 + 5 + 5 = 550

Last week’s winner: Emily Bouma

1 + 3 + 5 + ... + 19 = 100
Calendar- April/May

4 Vaccinations—Year 7 & Year 9 Boys

4 & 5 State Swimming Carnival

5 Round 3 of CHS Lawn Bowls Corowa

10 Disco

School Cross Country Carnival

11 Parent /Teacher Evening

12 Anzac Day Ceremony

Last Day of Term 1

29 & 30 Staff Development Day

1 All Students Resume School for Term 2