PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

To support our senior boys in the transition to High School our Wingham Community of Schools are supporting a Father and son breakfast to be hosted by Tinonee Public School. Save the date: Sunday 23rd November 8am-11am. The breakfast will provide the opportunity for Dr Arne Rubinstein (author of The Making of Men) to lead a talk and engage our Father (or other male role model) and sons in some worthwhile workshop activities. Dr Arne has been working with teenagers and their families for over 30 years as a doctor, counsellor, mentor and facilitator of workshops. He is an expert in adolescent development and coming of age Rites of Passage; specialising in supporting young people and in this case boys through the critical years to become healthy and happy young men. The programs he has helped to create have now been attended by over 20,000 people across Australia and internationally. In 2008 Dr Arne was nominated for Australian of the Year for his ground-breaking work with youth.

An expression of interest note will be sent home soon for you to mark the calendar and reserve a place. I feel this is a worthwhile free activity to support our transition program.

Rita Pittman, Principal

“More than ever we need to be recognising the gifts and talents of our boys. It’s the greatest gift we can give them. Our society needs young men who are passionate about what they do and the future.”

Dr Arne Rubinstein

STAGE 3 CANBERRA EXCURSION PACER REBATE

Students from Stage 3 enjoyed a fantastic time in Canberra exploring the many educational opportunities that our nation’s capital offers. We were able to participate in educational programs that highlighted Australia’s history, culture heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being given the opportunity to visit Canberra as part of their education and subsidised the cost of each of our students by contributing $30 under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) program. This allowed us to keep the cost of the excursion to a minimum.

CANBERRA EXCURSION

Last week Stage 3 students had a great time in Canberra. We went to the High Court and Art Gallery on the first day. The next morning we had the chance to take some memorable photos from Mt Ainsley Lookout. On Thursday we went to Questacon and had heaps of fun whilst learning about science. That night we had a tour of the AIS and trialled different sports. Other places we went to were Parliament House, Electoral Education Centre, Sound and Film Archives, Old Parliament House, Black Mountain Tower, the National Museum and an embassy tour.

All of Stage 3 students would like to thank Mr Nesbitt, Mr Barriball and Mrs Williams for giving up their time to come with us to Canberra.

Tim Walker and Hayden Essery

DIARY DATES – TERM 4, 2014

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LIBRARY NEWS

To make way for the new library books that are making their way to the library shelves, old library books will be available for sale in the library at lunch time for 20c each.

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE 2015

Students can get a head start on the 2015 NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge by recording books they read now! Books read from the NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge booklist from 1st September 2014 can count towards the 2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge. More information is available from Mrs Gregory or by visiting the NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge website at https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html.

JUMP OFF DAY

A reminder that our Jump Off Day will be held this Friday 17th October on our hard court and top grass area. The Jump Off Day gives students the opportunity to demonstrate their skipping skills that they have learnt as part of our Jump Rope for Heart program.

Session times on Friday are:
- Years 3-6 9.30am-11am
- Kindergarten, Year 1,2 11.30am-1pm

Parents, carers and grandparents are invited to come along and share in this event.

SPONSORSHIP FOR JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

All sponsor forms and sponsorship money raised in our Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser can be sent in to teachers on Monday. We need the sponsor forms as well as money raised. A big thank you to parents and carers for supporting their child to collect sponsors and sponsorship money.

STUDENT BANKING COMPETITION

The Dullarmites have uncovered the ancient Clam of Fortune. Inside they found these amazing prizes that you could win a share of:

- 40 x GoPro HERO3 White Edition Cameras
- 150 x Slip ‘N Slide Double Wave Riders

Every deposit you make with School Banking will automatically create one entry for you into the competition. So the more you save, the more chances you have to win (up to a maximum of 6 entries). The Competition runs from 20 October to 30 November 2014.

SPORT PHOTO ORDERS

Sports Group Photos are now on display at the school and can be ordered by completing an order form at the front office. Orders, with payment, must be returned to the school by Friday 24th October. Photos are $14 each or 2 for $26. Other prices are available for additional orders.

CANTEEN NEWS

If you are looking for something different for your child’s lunch, why not try one of these?

- **Brainy Burger** – fish fingers with lettuce and tartare sauce on a bread roll and an apple blackcurrant popper juice ($4.00)
- **Jurassic Park Meal Deal** – lettuce, tiny tomatoes, cucumber sticks and a carrot “flower” with 2 Dinosaur nuggets and a popper juice ($4.00)
- **Chicken Little Salad** – chicken pops with lettuce, tiny tomatoes, grated cheese & carrot served in a salad box and a popper juice ($4.00)
- **Chicken Caesar Wrap** – chicken meat, shredded lettuce, Caesar dressing, diced bacon and parmesan cheese ($3.00)
- **Road Runner Wrap** – chicken pops with grated cheese & chopped tomato on a toasted wrap ($3.00)

HOT DOG DAY – Tuesday 28th October. Order forms going home today and also available at the canteen until Monday 27th but please return as soon as possible.

Each order comes with a popper juice – either apple or orange flavour, please circle your choice and also circle if you want sauce.

Volunteers for the following week are:

- Thursday 16th October – Ronda
- Friday 17th October – Liz, Jenny
- Monday 20th October – Maxine
- Tuesday 21st October – Jodie, Ray
- Wednesday 22nd October – Monique

Verlie Blackmore, Supervisor, ph 6553 5030

COMMUNITY NOTICES

WINGHAM AKOOSTIK MUSIC FESTIVAL
Where: Wingham Showground
When: 17th – 19th October
Information at www.akooastik.com.au