Welcome

A warm welcome back is extended to all students and families as we commence term 2. An extra special welcome is extended to the new students and families who are joining us at this time of year. It seems from all the conversations I have managed to have with students that the holiday break was a safe and relaxing time for many.

Term 2 is a busy term with students being provided with Semester 1 reports. This means that along with teaching and learning programs being implemented, there is some additional ongoing assessment of student progress as well as this term unfolds.

Term 2 also brings with it the NAPLAN (National Assessment Program - Literacy And Numeracy) for students in Years 3 and 5. These will occur in Week 3. Further information to students involved has been sent home and any additional information will be provided in the lead up to these assessments.

This term is only 9 weeks in duration (after an 11 week first term) so the weeks will pass by quite quickly.

Positive Partnerships

As mentioned earlier in the year, students benefit most by strong and effective partnerships between the home and the school. I urge parents to ask questions of your child’s teacher around anything that is unknown or unclear. Together we can achieve many things that enhance the learning experiences for students.
Enrichment Opportunities

In recent years staff have explored new ways of extending and enriching the learning experiences of students within our school. It is intended to keep this focus within our school so that we continue maximising the learning experiences and opportunities for our diverse range of students.

Today, Miss Warren has taken a group of eight students off to Alstonville Public School for some exposure to debating and public speaking skills. The students involved will hopefully take up future opportunities to put these skills into practice and enhance their existing skill levels. (Thanks are certainly extended to the families who have assisted with travel to and from this event. That support is greatly appreciated)

Other initiatives that will be implemented this term include Maths Olympiad, Tournament of Minds and other class/school based programs. Mrs Mander will be working most Wednesday's during term to assist with the coordination and implementation of these enrichment experiences.

Sporting Opportunities

Senior students will be offered the opportunity to be involved in a range of sporting opportunities this term. Our schools soccer, basketball and netball sides will all be involved in games during this term. I congratulate all students who give these sports a go and do their best to represent our school on the sporting field. I wish all teams the best when their opportunity to compete arises. Best wishes also go out to students competing at the Mid Richmond Cross Country this Friday!

As mentioned previously, Term 2 is only 9 weeks in duration and there are plenty of happenings coming our way. I hope that everyone has an enjoyable term filled with new learning and educational experiences.

Until next week....

SRC News

Stewart House Wear Blue for Stew Day and Autism Awareness Day
Friday 9 May is when we “Wear Blue for Stew”, our annual fundraiser for Stewart House. This day will join Autism Awareness Day, when we have the opportunity to support these very worthy causes. Bring in your gold coin donation and you may be lucky enough to win a Stewart House handball.

ANZAC Day

Many thanks go to the families who attended the ANZAC Day Dawn Service and Woodburn March. Particular mention goes to Amy Moylan who made a speech at the dawn service and the choir, who sang beautifully. There were a lot of very positive comments made by the returned servicemen about the participation of school students at all of the ANZAC services, both school and community. Well done everyone.

Tracey Tebbutt
SRC Patron

Mother’s Day Stall

We will be holding our Mother’s Day Stall next Friday 9 May. You can buy a fabulous gift for your mum for just $5 each. Please send in your order form and money by Friday 9 May - we’d hate for you to miss out!!

Alison, Kim & Toni
FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Easter Raffle

The Easter Raffle was a huge success - thank you to all the families that supported by sending in goodies
and selling and buying tickets. We raised over $260 and we had about 80 prizes!!!

Many thanks
Kim, Alison & Toni
Fundraising Committee

**Student Banking**
School Banking is on each Friday morning. If you haven't opened an account and would like to, please drop into the office.

Lyn Blake
COORDINATOR

**Uniforms**
NEW Hooded Jumpers now in stock - $25 ea, sizes 6 - 16 available. Sloppy joes will be discontinued 2 x size 12 left - $5 till sold out! Small & medium adult size school shirts have arrived - these are $20 each.

Kim Skaines
UNIFORM COORDINATOR

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**Community Stuff**

**Playgroup at Woodburn Public School**
Every Thursday (during school terms) from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. Come along for a fun morning. We have a great facility with plenty of toys and games. It's very informal - a chat and morning tea while the kids play. It's open to Mums, Dads, Grandmas, Grandpas and Carers.

**JUST DANCE! Richmond Valley**
Jazz/Funk, Modern/Contemporary & Stunt Cheer in Woodburn & Coraki for ages 3 & up. Prices start at $4 per lesson. New students welcome! Check out our 2014 timetable @ www.facebook.com/JustDanceRV or contact Tammy on 0409822565 for further details.

**Pam Bellingham School of Dance,**
Woodburn
Ages 3 to adult.
Classical, contemporary, tap
Ladies’ fun & fitness class.
For enquiries and enrolments phone 0414 953 879

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**Canteen Roster**

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**STOP PRESS:** FULL MENU NOW AVAILABLE ON MONDAYS!

**Special:** Yummy Drummies $1 ea

**New:** Sakata Rice Crackers BBQ Flavour 80c

**REMINDER** - BROWN PAPER BAGS ARE 10C EACH IF NOT BROUGHT FROM HOME! Please have your money securely placed in your lunch bag! Parent Helpers for the next week are in bold. Thanks for your ongoing help - we really appreciate you! If you cannot make it on your rostered day it is up to you to find a replacement. Any ideas for canteen PLEASE come along to our next P & C Meeting!
**NAB AFL Auskick**

will run after school on Mondays at Woodburn Public School during term 2 this year. Beginning Monday 12 May 3.30pm. Students will receive a registration flyer from school early in term 2, or alternatively can register online at www.aflauskick.com.au

**Rugby Union Offer**

As acknowledgement of the investment, time and effort you dedicate to Rugby, the Australian Rugby Union is offering school students, parents and teachers an exclusive Junior Rugby Club and Schools discount to 2014 Qantas Wallabies Test Matches. Under the offer, any student, teacher or parent is entitled to purchase for themselves, family and friends when tickets go on sale midday (AEST) Friday 18 April 2014.

**HOW TO PURCHASE TICKETS:**

1. Click on the ‘Purchase Tickets’ link next to your corresponding game.
2. Enter the password SCHOOLS in the promotional box and click ‘Get Tickets’.
3. Select your tickets and category and press ‘Next’

**What is the Family energy rebate?**

The Family Energy Rebate helps to cover the costs of energy bills for NSW households with dependent children. In 2013 – 2014 the rebate gives:

- A $125 credit against electricity bills for eligible applicants who receive electricity from an electricity retailer.
- A $137.50 direct payment to nominated bank accounts for eligible applicants who live in a caravan or mobile home park and receive electricity from the park operator.

**am i eligible For the Family energy rebate?**

To be eligible you MUST:

- Be eligible for Family Tax Benefit A or B during 2012 – 2013 and have received a relevant payment; and
- Be the primary account holder of an electricity retailer, OR a long-term resident of a caravan or mobile park home, whose name appears on the electricity bills supplied by the park operator.

**you choose hoW you Want to apply For the Family energy rebate**

- **online** – it takes a few minutes to submit and processing starts immediately.
- **PAPER** – download a form from the website, complete and submit by email, fax or post.

**ThemeParks.com.au Ticket Sale!**

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