



# NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2014

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March**  
School Council Meeting - 6 pm  
P & C Meeting - 7pm

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Albury Gold Cup Half Day Holiday**  
School closes at 12 pm

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April**  
P&C School Camp Out

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April**  
Life Education Van  
K-6

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April**  
Small Schools Athletics Carnival  
Alexandria Park, Albury  
*Whole School*

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April**  
Last day of Term 1

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April**  
Staff Development Day  
(Pupil free)

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April**  
First day of Term 2

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May**  
Combined Small Schools  
Multicultural Day

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June**  
Queen's Birthday Holiday

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Pre-School Open Day

It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces at our Pre-School Open Day this morning. Miss Kirk opened up her K/1 classroom to pre-schoolers and their parents so they could experience some of the magic of our fabulous little school. The children had a chance to join in on some fun learning activities with our Kinder and Year One students, all with the help of parent volunteers and our wonderful Year 6 Leaders. Parents had the chance to ask Miss Kirk and one of our enthusiastic mums questions about our school. Parents and children who missed our open day are most welcome to pop in anytime to take a look at our school and have a chat with Miss Kirk or myself.





### **AFL Fun**

Everyone had a great time learning about AFL yesterday when the AFL Riverina and Southern NSW Junior Development officer, Mr Jack Bradley conducted a few sessions at our school. Children had a brief introduction to some of the skills of football - handballing, kicking and marking the ball. A couple of lucky kids even won their own football to take home!



### **Racing into Leadership**

The engines are running. Our Year Six leadership group are ready for an early start and a late finish when they attend the first day

of the Melbourne Formula One Grand Prix tomorrow. This fantastic leadership excursion will give the students the opportunity to cement the bond they have as leaders and give an insight into their potential as student and future leaders in the wider community. Students and staff from Mullengandra and Gerogery PS will also join us on the excursion.



### **Riverina Swimming Carnival**

Well done to Harry who placed fourth in his 50 metre age race at the Riverina Regional Swimming Carnival on Monday. He has been named as a reserve for the Riverina team. We are all very proud of Harry's achievements.

### **School Camp Out**

Members of the P&C have been busy making plans for this year's School Camp-Out, which will be held on the school grounds on Saturday, April 5th. Please mark this date in your calendar and come along. Last year proved to be a fantastic experience for our families, and this year will be no exception!

### **P&C School Working Bee**

The P & C will be conducting a working bee at the school on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March between 2 pm and 5 pm. We will be working in the gardens, and clearing some newly discovered school land and erecting new traffic sign posts in the carpark. All parents are welcome to come along for as long as possible during this period to help



out. Please bring rakes, shovels, wheel barrows, etc if possible.

### Garden Sculptures Easter Raffle

Easter eggs have started to trickle in from families for our Easter Raffle, but we are hoping for an influx over the next week. One of the important student focused art projects we hope to undertake this year is the creation of mosaic sculptures for the entrance way to our school. The raffle will help cover the cost of materials needed for this project. Much like our Christmas raffle, we ask each family to donate an Easter item, such as an egg or two, to help fill a shopping basket for the prize. We will send tickets home for families to sell to their friends and will also call for volunteers to hopefully sell tickets at a local shopping centre. Easter will fall in the middle of our Autumn holiday this year, so the prize will be drawn in the last week of term. Thanks for your support!



### Albury Gold Cup

A half-day holiday has been gazetted for the Albury Gold Cup, March 28<sup>th</sup>. School will finish at 12 noon on this day. Martins Bus Lines have advised that our school bus will run at 12 noon for the Table Top bus run and will leave the school at approximately 12.20 for the Thurgoona bus run. They have asked that parents are aware of the early drop off times and that parents are waiting at the bus stop for their child/children.

### Gardening Report

On Monday the 10/3/14 the students were asked to make two compost heaps, one cubed metre in size. The captains were Emma and Emily. There had to be layers of different things stacked one by one. First the grass clippings went on. Second the water was poured on. Third the horse poop was tipped on. The students then repeated this recipe over and over again until it was a metre tall. Then we all came inside to hear the yuck factor and the joke which were both yuck and funny.

By Rupert & Robert



### P&C Tea Towel Fundraiser

The P&C are organising a school tea towel for sale which will include a self-portrait drawing of all of our students and staff. What a great memento for our families! The tea towels are yet to be designed, but will be available for sale later in the year. Let's hope that every family can order a few each - one for home, one for the keep-sake box and a couple as gifts for grandparents!

*Andrew McEachern - Principal*

### KINDER SOUND

The Kinder sound for this week is 'c' for Cat



## HOW2Learn

### **Making time for learning**

Spending time with your children is one of the most important gifts you can give them. Try to have some time when you remove all disruptions and concentrate exclusively on your child. You might read a book together, visit a play area or fix a bicycle. This 'together time' is when you can shape attitudes and develop the kind of positive habits that encourage learning.

Making time for learning is difficult. But it gets easier if you can establish patterns that work for you and your family. For example: 'We share meals and no-one watches television while we eat.' Does this sound impossible? The answer is that if you establish the pattern and stick to it, it becomes expected.

### **SCHOOL ASSEMBLY**

Congratulations to the following award winners from last Friday's School Assembly:

#### **Student of the Week**



#### **Teacher Merit Cards** (Green cards)

##### **K/1**

Anthea, Angus, Zoe, Mia

##### **2-3**

Jake, Jessica, Gibb, Elizabeth

##### **4-6**

Robert, Caleb, James, Minna, Charlie, Alicia, Destiny

**SRC Kindness Award:** Toby

## **VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS**

Contributions for 2014 are \$45 per child. This fee covers the cost of textbooks and other consumables for each child. If paying by cheque, please make payable to Table Top Public School.

### **MATHLETICS CONTRIBUTION**

Parents are asked to contribute \$10 per child to help cover the annual user fee for Mathletics in our school. This is a fantastic price, as the usual fee is \$99 per child. Thanks to the P&C who have already committed funds to support Mathletics for our children.

### **P & C FUNDRAISING CONTRIBUTION**

The fund raising voluntary contribution for 2014 is \$50 per family. This can be paid in full or by instalments over the next three terms as follows:

- Term 1           \$20
- Term 2           \$20
- Term 3           \$10.

*Cheques should be made payable to  
TTPS P & C*

If you would like to pay by direct debit

#### **School bank details:**

Account Name: Table Top Public School

Account Number: 157014

BSB: 032-001

Reference: *Surname and item/s being paid*

## **MURRAY CONSERVATORIUM OF MUSIC**

Cathy Giltrap is trying hard to get the Drumming classes up and running however it doesn't look like they will start until next term. Cathy will email all parents involved with an update soon.

## Community News

### **A REMINDER FOR SOME EXCITING THINGS HAPPENING IN TABLE TOP!**



I would like to draw your attention to some exciting things that are underway or planned in Table Top for March and April.

To start with our third **Food Swap** for the year will be held this Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup> of March from 6pm to 7pm at the Table Top Hall. Come along and enjoy a free coffee and a chat.

We have been getting a wonderful selection of produce, you will not be disappointed. We are also planning a book swap in the next few months in collaboration with the School.

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Emily Lescun is currently holding Yoga classes at the Hall on Tuesday mornings from 6am to 7.30am. There are still vacancies in this class and it is possible to come along on a casual basis.

If anyone is interested, please contact her on 0451943010 or via email [eclescun@hotmail.com](mailto:eclescun@hotmail.com).

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Lastly a message from Karen Plested who would like to start up some exercise classes/circuit training at the Hall. Please read her attached flyer. She tells me that the classes are for men and women and suit a wide age group so no excuses!!

Circuit Training is an excellent form of exercise as it is a combination of cardiovascular, strength and endurance exercises which work the entire body. The classes are designed to help you achieve your health and fitness goals, and vary from week to week to keep you motivated. People of all levels of fitness are welcome. With Circuit Training you decide how hard you want to work and any exercise can be adapted to suit your ability. So if you haven't already tried it - give it a go!

For more information call [Karen Plested](tel:0423618232) on 0423618232 or via email [karen@kp-personaltraining.co.uk](mailto:karen@kp-personaltraining.co.uk)

#### CLASS TIMETABLE

When	Dates / Times TBA – if you are interested in an early morning, a class after school drop off or one in the evening please let me know so that I can arrange for some classes to be set-up. For example I could run a class from 6:30-7:30am, or 9-10am or 7:30-8:30pm.
Where	TABLE TOP Hall (next to the tennis courts)
Cost	<p>\$12-\$15 (depending if casual attendance or pre-booked classes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>All equipment is provided – weights, mats, fitness balls, skipping ropes, kettlebells, ViPR's, boxing gloves etc.....and motivation!!</li></ul>

Register online at  
[www.mycampquality.org.au/awfr](http://www.mycampquality.org.au/awfr)

Adults: \$30  
12-17 years: \$20  
Under 12's: \$10

#### Or Register on the day

Adults: \$35  
12-17 years: \$25  
Under 12's: \$15

#### Make the most of our Fundraising Incentive Scheme

For every \$25 you raise we will refund \$5 of your entry fee. So adults who raise \$100 will be refunded \$20. Those who raise \$150 or more will be refunded their \$30 entry fee

Prizes for race winners, highest senior & junior fundraisers and best senior & junior costumes

All enquiries call Adelle on 0427 835 749 or email [alburywodongafunrun@gmail.com](mailto:alburywodongafunrun@gmail.com)

This is a fund raiser by Camp Quality esCarpade entry 'Sleeping Beauty' Car 112. All proceeds go to Camp Quality to help kids living with cancer



## Albury Wodonga Camp Quality Fun Run

Sunday March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2014

8:30am for 9am start

5km & 10km events

Start / Finish at  
ODDIES CREEK  
PARK Albury