Week 9 Term 4

Principal’s Report
Welcome to week 9, it is hard to believe that the school year is nearly over. This week swimming lessons continue until Friday for the whole of Primary.
Teaching staff are busy completing Semester 2 reports, which will be distributed to students at our whole school assembly, to be held next Friday 11th December commencing at 10am. Merit awards will also be handed out next Friday, parents and friends are welcome to attend this assembly which will be our last for 2015.
All other awards will be presented to the students at presentation night which will be held at the Coleambally Community Club on Tuesday December 15th.

P&C
The December P&C meeting will be a dinner meeting to be held at the Brolga Hotel next Monday 7th. Please call Colleen Mader 0428 531 876 to pre-order your meal for the night.

Week 10 Term 4

Monday 7th December  P&C Dinner meeting 7pm Brolga Hotel
Tuesday 8th December
Wednesday 9th December
Thursday 10th December
Friday 11th December Whole School Assembly 10am
PBL rewards- Tabloid Sports - K-10
11.25am

Duke of Edinburgh
The Duke of Edinburgh excursion to be held this week has unfortunately been postponed until February 2016. The gold expedition will however still be going ahead.

Primary Book Packs
Please remember that primary book packs are also available for purchase from the front office at a cost of $45.00. Please ensure you pay for child’s book pack so they will be ready to use when school commences next year.

Light up Coly
On Friday night we had a number of students perform at the Coly Festival of Lights. Students from Year 2 kicked off the performances with a dance routine. There were other dances performed by Molly Young, Bonnie Harper, Chantal Knight, Abbey Young and Titus Maddern. Finally, some of our secondary Music students entertained the crowd with various songs they had prepared. Well done to Josie Moore, Grace Lyell, Joshua Hodgson, Declan Evans and Alana Robb on their debut community performance and congratulations to Angela Rainbird, Jack Watts, Adrian Rivera, Molly Young and Titus Maddern on another fantastic performance. An excellent effort by all!

Have a wonderful week.
Meagan Crelley
Principal
Secondary News

Career News

RASF VET Scholarships
VET (Vocational Education and Training) Scholarships are available to support individuals in NSW who demonstrate a passion for rural and commitment for any career that will ensure the future success of rural and regional NSW. Scholarships of up to $5,000 for full-time study or up to $2,500 for part-time study are available. There is no limit on the types of courses that qualify or the age of the applicant. You could be studying anything from metal fabrication to child care. You could be studying at a registered VET (Vocational Education and Training) institution e.g. College or TAFE courses, on campus or by distance learning. All applicants will have one thing in common – a desire to play an active part in the future of rural NSW.

Applicants for a VET Scholarship must:

- Be enrolled in or applying for study in any accredited VET (Vocational Education and Training) course at an approved Australian education provider
- Demonstrate a desire to contribute to the future of rural NSW
- Demonstrate how a scholarship would assist them in achieving their education or training goal
- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident


Bendigo Bank University Scholarships
Opens 1 December
Closes 25 January

Defence Jobs The Mentor. Experience Life as an Engineer in the ADF

Online adventure supporting a mission from your mobile and computer.

Summer Holiday Courses
NIDA Summer Courses
Book before 4 December for discounts.

Sydney Design School Summer Workshop
19 to 22 January 2016
Level 2, 40 Oxley St, St Leonards
Experience life as an Interior Designer.

JMC Academy High School Workshops Sydney
Introduction to Game Development. 18 January, 10.30am to 2.30pm
Design-Lets Man an App. 19 January, 10.30am to 2.30pm
Introduction to Animation. 19 January, 10.30am to 2.30pm

Film and Television Workshop. 18 January, 9.30am to 3.30pm
Music and Audio Engineering. 18 January, 10.30am to 3.30pm
Song writing. 19 January, 10.30am to 2.30pm
Cost: $15
http://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/events/workshops/sydney-high-school-workshops

Gap Year Activities
Hiring for Camp America Applications Online Info Session
9 December. 6.00pm to 7pm. Learn more about Camp America 2016 by joining the online info Session. The session is a great way to find out everything you need to know about Camp America 2016 including upcoming January Job Fair when camp directors will be hiring Australians on the spot. To register: 1300 889 067 or click here https://www.facebook.com/events/1655674151377857/

Au Pair in America Online Information Session
7 December, 8.00pm to 9.00pm

Come on a WEP Student Exchange
Belgium, Canada, France, Italy, the Netherlands, Spain, the USA & more. Choose from over 25 countries. Contact 1300 884 733 or www.wep.org.au/

Ema Munro
Careers Adviser / HSIE teacher

Community Announcements

Swimming Club
The Coleambally swimming Pool will be closed to the public on Friday afternoons from 5.30 – 7.30 pm due to an increase in members for the Coleambally Swimming Club. This will be for the next 4 Fridays up until and including the 18th December 2015. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Hay Mobile Children’s Service
HMCS offer venue care in Coleambally and Yamma on a fortnightly basis. They also provide Farm Based Care to eligible families. HMCS is currently taking enrolments for 2016, for more information visit www.hmcs.org.au or phone 6993 3059.
HMCS is taking expressions of interests for part time or casual work, Certificate 3 in Children’s Services is a requirement. Please contact the service for further details on 6993 3059.
The Canberra Trip

And here it was, the 24th…. The time had come at last.
5 and 6 lined up by the gate…. They were going to have a blast.
Armed to the teeth with lollies…. An assortment to behold.
“Ahh…. Just take it easy year 5/6”…. But do you think they’d be told?

Before the storm there’s calm they say…. But it will surely grow.
And unless you were on the bus that day…. You could never really know.

It worked this way and I have to say…. The first hour was quietly surprising
But once the sugar rush kicked in…. There came a great uprising.

“How long until we get there? “…. A sentence I have come to dread.
And “Where are we stopping next?” …….Well….. That still echoes in my head.
“Excuse me Mr Watts” the voices droned…. “Will there be a gift shop when we get there”?

For the twenty hundredth time I’d mutter “yes” then give a defeated, withering stare.

A chance to use our listening skills …. You know… The ones that we finely hone.
Eager, informative tour guides stare blankly… We’re in a totally different zone.
To be told in depth the stories … the many interesting facts.
Then asked a second later… Excuse me Mr Watts … What was that?

But to see their smiling faces….. Pressed up against the glass.
Waving at random people and sights…. calling out as we’d drive past.
That was worth the torture of sitting exhausted in dark and cold.
Lucky for Macca’s coffee…. A leisurely three minute stroll.

Arguments, love and laughter… emotions at every step
Fighting like the debate of a bill in the house of Rep’s
A Missing ipad, a lost earring, tears at the ten pin bowl.
Language at the laser tag….. or….. so I have been told.

Our bus driver Dave….. Well… He must be some kind of a saint.
The mess upon the floor of the bus would make a cleaning lady faint.
And he got us to Canberra safely… And back to Coly…. We have to agree
It really is a wonder at all …. The number of stops we made to pee.

And we’d like to thank the parents who joined us on the Canberra tour.
Who sat down near the front of the bus that smelled like stale manure.
We hope you caught up on some sleep and the tinnitus of the trip will sub-side.

Then you might volunteer next year for Ballarat!!! An equally noisy ride.
This term in science year 4 have been testing properties of different material.

The students were given the task to design, make and appraise a special package to deliver Humpty dumpty safely to the ground.

These packages had to be made out of recyclable products.

Last week we got to test our packages at our eggstravaganza………..

I must say we got some eggcellent results, and made an eggstreme mess!!!!