NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Robyn Brooks

Professional Learning
Last week I was in Melbourne to participate in two courses at the Bastow Institute. On Monday I worked with David Midgley, the newly appointed principal at Mildura Primary School. I have been appointed as his Principal Coach and the day was spent undertaking professional learning in this area. It was a wonderful day and we both learnt a lot.

From Tuesday to Thursday I completed the final three days of the ‘Open to Learning’ trainer program. This has been a very challenging yet worthwhile course. I am now able to train other principal’s across the state in open to learning conversations.

Staffing
Mrs Renay Drendel-Arthur has been very unwell for the past month. Her class has been covered internally and the students have been informed of all changes. Renay is slowly getting better and we hope to see her back at school soon.

Mrs Tammy Warn has been on Long Service Leave in Thailand for the last two weeks. Mr Ben Milsom is on Long Service leave next week as he travels to Fiji with his family. We hope they both have a very enjoyable and restful time.

Thankyou to everyone who has donated goods and services for our auctions and raffles. We also appreciate everyone who has purchased tickets for the night. We still have some tickets available if you wish to come. It is going to be a wonderful night.

NIGHT AMONGST THE VINES

Tomorrow Night
6:30pm BYO

Goods and Services Auction

March 5th, 2015
Clean Up Day

Last Friday 27th February was Schools Clean Up day. All students cleaned up a designated part of the yard before lunch and then directly after lunch. It was pleasing to see that after lunch there was NO rubbish in the yard.

Walk to School, Breakfast and Healthy Lunch and Farmer’s Market

We will be having a Walk to School Day on Wednesday 18th March. We will meet in Karadoc Avenue and walk along the green belt to school. All students, parents, family members and even dogs are invited to walk to school. When we get to school we will be providing breakfast.

On this day the students are encouraged to have a healthy and rubbish free lunch.

Our Farmer’s Market will be held after school.

We require people to help with the breakfast, transport for school bags and donations for the Farmer’s Market. If you are able to assist please contact the school.

School Council Meeting

The next School Council meeting is on Wednesday 25th March at 6:30pm

Egg Incubation

Our chickens are growing. Each morning Tom and Julia check the progress of the chickens and maintain their incubation box. If you have a spare plastic harvest bin (similar to the one pictured), we would like to borrow one for our chickens when they hatch.

Valanga Khoza

The Grade 5 and 6 students had an awesome time with Valanga yesterday. They spent 3 hours listening to Valanga’s music and creating some of their own. As part of the Mildura and Wentworth Arts Festival, there will be a special mass performance at the Old Mildura Homestead from 5:30pm tonight, Thursday 5th March. All students and families are welcome to attend. Our students have a special part to play in this performance which Valanga practised with them today.

MY FRIENDS AND I

Bullying Incursion

All students in Prep to Grade 3 watched a performance on Tuesday called ‘My Friends and I’ about bullying. The performance was about how we should treat each other. It was explained to the children what they could do if someone was bullying them and who they could turn to for help. They all really enjoyed it, especially the interactive parts.
Junior School Council
Representatives 2015

Chase & Annabelle
Prep R

Shane & Zoe
Prep P

Charlotte & Lucy
1T

Colby & Sofia
1F

Elana & Rose
2J

Matt & Hope
2D

Massimo & Will
3C

James & Jameson
3D

Lachlan & Vincent
4V

Jade & Will
4/5C

Georgia & Shari
5/6G

Tommy & Mckensie
5/6S
ART with Mrs Lord

Over the past three weeks all students have been involved in creating collaborative artworks. The students have drawn, painted, cut, food dye washed, collaged and coloured to produce the following amazing artworks!
EASTER RAFFLE

Our major fundraiser for this term will be an Easter Raffle. We are asking all families to donate an item to make up our prizes. Donations could include Easter eggs, rabbits, Bunny Ears etc, it doesn’t have to be an Easter egg but anything that you think would be appropriate for an Easter Raffle prize.

Each class will have its own raffle draw
Please place donations in the clearly marked tubs in the office foyer. Each class has a tub for their donations and we need as many donations as possible for each tub.
All donations no matter how big or small will be gratefully received.
We are also asking our families to sell our Raffle tickets. Tickets are $1.00 each or $10 per book. Books are being handed out with this week’s newsletter. Extra books will be available at the front office.
All proceeds from the raffle will be going towards the construction of a new assembly area.

Please return tickets and money to the office by Wednesday 25th March.
The raffle will be drawn on the last day of term, Friday 27th March
Volunteers will be needed to help wrap prizes and fold tickets on Thursday 26 March from 9am.
Please contact Jolene Finch 0400 109 695 or jfinch@schs.com.au if you can help.

Parent Meeting

On Tuesday 3rd March a number of parents attended a meeting at school. We discussed the following issues: parking, Easter hat parade and uniform.

Parking
As our school grows the number of students being collected and dropped off increases. We understand the parking is limited and that there is congestion at some stages during drop off and pick up times. We appreciate your caution and patience when collecting your children. We will continue to monitor the situation and appreciate your help in keeping everyone safe.

Easter Hat Parade
On the last day of Term 1 we will be holding an Easter Hat Parade. All students are encouraged to wear a decorated hat and there will be a parade to show off the creations.

Uniform
Our discussion centred around adding some items to our uniform list. Could you please fill out the expression of interest slip below to indicate your preferences for new uniform items to be added.

IRYMPELE SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM CHANGES

I would be interested in seeing the following items added to our uniform

Jacket made from windcheater material  
Dress  
Other styles of shorts and pants  

Name:____________________________________________________________
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**Grade 5/6 Mini-Management Projects**

Our grade 5 and 6 students have been looking at rights and responsibilities. As a part of our inquiry we were all given a mini-management project to work on. One of the groups did a teacher car wash on Friday that raised money for Oxfam. They Raised about $60 which will go towards education, fresh food and beds.

Emma Hogan

**JSC Paddle Pop Fundraiser**

The 4/5/6s are looking at poverty and children that can’t go to school; don’t have healthy food or a proper home to live in.

The year six Junior School Councillors are raising money to go towards World Vision by selling paddle pops, so we can hopefully make a difference for children that live in poverty. We will be selling Paddle Pops for $1 each. We will have chocolate, banana and rainbow Paddle Pops for sale.

The last day of term will also be casual dress. A gold coin donation will also be given to World Vision.
STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep R
Aydin Alic
Prep P
Harper Black
1T
Max Bell
1F
Aleisha Burrows
2J
Jayah Waylen
2D
Cooper Smart

3C
Dusty Geister
3D
Reba Hynam
4V
Maddie Petrolo
4/5C
Chace Garraway
5/6G
Zali Doolan
5/6S
Rydge Herbert

SCIENCE
Cooper Dalton
ART
Lars Castleman
P.E.
Lily Adams
HOUSE CAPTAINS
Maddison Horsfall
PRINCIPAL
Tyler McGregor
Angus Droffelaar

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

MARCH
Kane Woolfrey (2nd)
Eric Woulfe (3rd)
Caelen Blyth (4th)
Seth Papadopoulos (6th)

A MORNING TO CELEBRATE LIFE
RYMPLE SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENT
SUNDAY
APRIL 19TH, 2015
8:00 REGISTRATION
8:30 START (4KM WALK/RUN)
9:30 FUN FITNESS
10:00 BREAKFAST FOR ALL

$5 ENTRY FEE PER PERSON
($2.50 TO CANCER RESEARCH
AND $2.50 TOWARDS OUR NEW
ASSEMBLY AREA)

Mildura Ballet & Dance Guild Inc.
presents

THE SECOND BEST EXOTIC MARIGOLD HOTEL

THURSDAY 12TH MARCH
Screening at 7pm
at Deakin Cinema Complex.
Light refreshments after screening
in Mildura Club. Lucky Door Prize
TICKETS $20
Available from
Allstate Conveyancing
Coffee Town Cafe
Mildura Ballet & Dance Guild Inc

Red Cliffs ‘Star Spirits’ Netball
Club Registration
New players welcome - age
groups, 9&U Grade 2 (born
2007) through to open age group
For further Information please contact
Melissa Haby, President – General
inquires & U13’s and above-
lissa@internode.on.net or 0408 129 076
after business hours
Brooke Allen, Vice President – Net Set Go
9&U and 11&U -
allen.brooke.e@edumail.vic.gov.au or
0418 546 098 after business hours

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INTERCSHOOL TENNIS

Yesterday Nell Banks-Purcell, Alicia Dalla-Santa, Lachlan Adolph and Lily Adams went to the Red Cliffs Lawn Tennis Club for the Sunraysia Division Primary School Tennis Championships. We went well, but the most important thing was we had fun and tried our best. There was some really strong competition in both the boys’ and girls’ competition. Alicia came 2nd out of all the girls, losing the grand final match against Paige from Irymple Primary School. She will be going to Swan Hill to compete in the next round of matches. Lachlan came 2nd in his pool, narrowly missing out on being in the semi-finals. Nell and Lily had a really good time, but didn’t win any games.

Lily Adams

REGISTRATION

Saturday 21st March 2015

MINIBALL is an introduction and skills based Basketball Program for primary school aged children. The program is player-centred, fun-focused and affordable to all. It provides opportunities to learn, play with your friends and to develop important social skills in a convenient safe and friendly environment. Miniball caters for ALL, Girls and Boys who are currently attending a primary school from Prep to grade 4.

**Date** : Saturday 21st March 2015. (Registration day)

**Where** : Mildura HOT house Stadium, 8th Street Mildura

**Time** : 9.30am Prep grade 1
          : 10.30am grade 2-4

**Cost** : $45 per player - Registration
          : $5 weekly game fee

How to Register?
Attending on registration day.
No online registrations

Fiona 0474057126 after 6pm
Email alcheringabb@gmail.com

School Holiday Basketball Camp
@ The Toyota Hothouse

Wednesday April 1st & Thursday April 2nd
For Boys & Girls aged 5 – 12
Camp runs 10am – 3pm daily with all children to bring a basketball, lunch & drink bottle
Please call 5023 2241 for more details or forms can be downloaded at
www.mildurabasketball.com.au

FOOTBALL CLINIC

Our Grade 5 & 6 students participated in a football clinic on Monday afternoon, with players from the Richmond Football club. The students travelled to the South Mildura Football ground where they were introduced to the players. They then participated in a number of activities involving football skills. They had a ball!!