NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Robyn Brooks

NEXT WE until we will be dancing up a storm with the Melbourne based children’s hip hop dance company. Stomp Dance Company will be here on Monday 7th March to Friday 11th March and will be teaching all students a hip-hop dance routine. They are very professional and have designed brilliant dances that help develop student’s fundamental movement and co-ordination skills all while building their team work, creativity and confidence.

On Friday 11th March at 2:30pm all our students will showcase their dance to the school community.
You are invited, along with all family members, grandparents and friends to come and watch the students perform. Please put this date and time in your diary and aim to come and watch your child/ren shine through these impressive dances.

NEW PEDAGOGIES FOR DEEP LEARNING

On Monday the staff were engaged in learning around investigating ways to make the students think deeply about what they are learning. Discussions were also had around implementing the use of devices into this learning. We worked with staff from Mildura West PS. It was a valuable and informative day and we are looking forward to making changes to our teaching to give the students the skills that they need for the future.
RI
We are no longer able to hold RI classes during school teaching hours. Di Eagle is prepared to hold classes after school (3:15pm - 4:00pm) on Monday afternoons. Lessons will commence on Monday 7th March. There is an expression of interest form in this week’s newsletter. Please fill in the form and return as soon as possible.

School Council Elections
The School Council election process has now commenced for 2016. Nominations are called for parent and staff positions for the 2016 school year. We have 5 parent positions and 2 staff positions to be filled. Self nomination forms are available at the front office. Nominations will close on Friday 4th March. Please consider the opportunity to be involved in our school community in a significant role.

Camps Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF) 2016
The Victorian Government will be providing a CSEF payment to all eligible families to assist with the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. Please contact the office to get an application form. The School will need to sight and copy the concession card to ensure that the parent’s name and Centrelink Reference Number (CRN) matches the Centrelink database.

Fees
Thanks to everyone who has already paid their fees. On page 6 there is further information about our fee structure.

Easter Raffle
Tickets for our Easter raffle went home last week. More information about the raffle can be found further on in the newsletter. Keep bringing the donations in. The baskets are looking great so far.

Student Leadership
On Wednesday three of our captains enjoyed a great experience through local media company One Idea. Lily, Maria and Holly had the opportunity to be involved in a school promotional video that featured questions such as Why is Irymple South Primary such a great school? What is your leadership philosophy? What lasting change would you like to make? The three girls did an outstanding job with their interviews and we are looking forward to the final production. A big thanks goes to Simon and Peta from One Idea.

Earth Ed
On Tuesday and Wednesday the Grade 3-6 students participated in an hour long session with Peter on alternative energy. Earth Ed is one of 6 specialist Science Centres in Victoria. They specialise in the Earth Sciences: climate, geology, energy, fossils etc. For more information, feel free to have a look at the website: http://www.earthed.vic.edu.au/

Easter Hat Parade
On the last day of term (Thursday 24th March) we will be holding an Easter Hat parade. We are encouraging all children to let their creativity flow and make an Easter Hat to be proud of.
I wanted to be a captain in 2016 as I thought it would be a great opportunity. I wanted to see if I could try and lead something and work with others well.

As a leader I am looking forward to making this school an even better place than before. A simple thing I would like to do is add more seating and shade sails for our students.

My best leadership qualities are teamwork, responsibility and kindness. I going to work really hard at genuinely improving my all round leadership skills.

Nell & Holly

I wanted to be a JSC captain because I wanted to help this school in the best way I could. I also like to work well and help others no matter what their needs are. I am looking forward to my leadership role this year as I have never had a role before. I am looking forward to planning fundraisers and helping the school. My best qualities are working well with others, being sensible, being responsible and always having a go. I need to improve on encouraging others to be their best and just being themselves. I am looking forward to helping everyone.

Elektra & Lara

Diesel & Phoebe

Morgan & Max

Eliza & Annelise
Junior School Council 2016

Amelia & Liam

Shelby & Francis

Natalie & Maia

Ned & Thomas

Eva & Jesse

Jobe & Harry

Dayna & Brittany

Lily & Morgan

Connor & Jordan
STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep C
Darcy Carmichael
Prep P
Max Creek
1T
Annabelle Kennedy
1F
Sadie Gordon
2J
Harper Milsom
2R
Ashton Wade
3C
Ned Bottams
3D
Sophie Burns
4V
Meg Neagle
4R
Jack Barker
5/6H
Vincent Piscioneri
5/6G
Sienna Maiorana
5/6S
Jordan Stanbrook
ART
Eadie Cardew
Jethro Sharman
SCIENCE
Dayna Brown
PRINCIPAL
Lily Neagle
Amelia Petrolo

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

LEADERS OF EVOLUTION

A huge thankyou to Damian Hecker from Leaders of Evolution who came and implemented a 2 day leadership program for all of our Captains to be involved in. Each of the leaders undertook new learning and did a brilliant job when placed into context. Our student leaders realised that leadership can’t be taught, it can only be learnt through the experiences they have.

That is why over the coming year, our captains will be involved in a learning process that provides many real-life experiences. The two days were outstanding for the students as they:

- Worked through the digital learning hub, learning strategies that can support them
- Developed their own leadership philosophy
- Undertook learning to develop a planning cycle
- Planned a meeting
- Planned a proposal for the school
- Produced a pitch to convince adults to approve the proposal (Shark Tank Style)

On Thursday and Friday, the School Captains, House Captains, JSC Captains and Environmental Captains participated in a leadership course delivered by Leaders of Evolution. We learnt many things about leadership and what it takes to be an effective leader. We learnt that you need resilience, the ability to work in a team and why it is important to take risks. All of us made our own philosophy showing different styles of leadership. Something that we all really enjoyed would have to be the team working games that put us under pressure and the quizzes in the Digital Learning Hub that made us think deeper. We give a very big thank you to Mr. Milsom who organised the two days and to Damian, who came all the way from Melbourne to provide experiences and tasks that we could learn from.

Holly, Maria and Lily
Environmental News

This weekend is Clean up Australia Day. Today our students and teachers spent time cleaning our school yard and the surrounding fence line. We feel it is very important for our students to learn about caring for their environment and to contribute to our community by helping to keep it clean.

Morning Move
It is wonderful to see so many students and family members walking every Wednesday morning. Starting our working and learning day with a walk or run is a healthy option and a fantastic way to prepare for a productive day. Please join us every Wednesday between 8.20am and 8.50 am. Parents, grandparents and siblings are very welcome. Be active together and score some points for your team.

Gardening Group
The garden area near the assembly area is being beautified. We require some items to assist with the beautification. Donations of the following items are requested:
- **Pots:** small plastic garden pots suitable for cuttings and planting
- **Brick pavers:** for garden edging
- **Builder:** to help construct a small gazebo

If you are able to supply any of the above please contact Toba 0427242353 or Kylie 0418552712

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Fees

Thank you to everyone who has already paid their school fees. Fees are due by Friday 18th March. Invoices will be sent home at the end of the term with any outstanding amounts.

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ACC: 10104523 (please enter student name as reference)
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### 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.

**Easter Raffle**

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 were handed out with last 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 Tuesday 22nd March**

The raffle will be drawn on the last day of term, Thursday 24th March

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### CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

Yes, I would like my child/children to receive Catholic Religious Instruction this year 2016. (Grades 1-6 only)

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Please return this expression of interest as soon as possible.

Classes will take place after school on Mondays from 3:15pm to 4:00pm with Mrs Di Eagle commencing on 7th March.
Red Cliffs Star Spirits Netball Club

Star Spirits Netball Club play within the Mildura Netball Association Competition at Mansell Reserve each Winter & Twilight Season.

Age Groups: 9 & Under (min age grade 2) through to Open Ladies

Registration Day: Sunday 6th March, 11am – 1pm at the Red Cliffs Club (ALL AGES)

AGM – Thursday 3rd March, 7pm at the Red Cliffs Club (ALL Welcome)

For any enquiries, please contact Melissa Haby President, lissa@internode.on.net

Primary School Swim Meet

Irymple Swimming Pool
Thursday 10th March, 2016
5:30pm

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*School Freestyle Relay: consists of the fastest four swimmers from each school. Teams may comprise four girls, four boys, or any combination thereof. Each school may enter only one team in the School Relay. Event 35.

The Irymple Swimming Club Proctor Swims will be awarded to the winning school in this event.

For further information, please contact:
- Clinton Williams 0438 234 807
- Paula Medioun 0408 709 363

Enter online www.IrympleSwimmingClub.com.au or entries@IrympleSwimmingClub.com.au

INTERSCHOOL TENNIS

We apologise for an error in the results from the tennis last week.

Lachlan Adolph made it to the semi-final, but unfortunately was defeated in this match. This made him part of the final 4.

Sunraysia Daily 38th Mildura Eisteddfod

Registrations are now open.
Closing date is Friday 18 March 2016. No Late Entries will be accepted.

Information can be found at www.milduraeisteddfod.org
or contact Michele on 0429 481 898 or email milduraeisteddfod@gmail.com

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