

# Newsletter

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## Principal's Message

Spring is in the air! Students have been busy in the garden, pulling weeds, preparing to plant new seedlings and watering. We also saw the first opening of the sandpit since the beginning of winter and we had some very industrious digging, shifting and sifting during the week.

I would also like to make particular mention of two students, who really got into the spirit of spring cleaning and took it upon themselves to do a clean up of the sports shed like we have never seen before. They achieved a complete overhaul of the shed, resulting in equipment being well organised and leading to the discovery of many pieces of equipment that we didn't even know was in there! Well done girls!



## Industrial Action on Thursday

Yesterday a note was handed out to families regarding the Day of Action planned by the Teachers Federation on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September**.

There will be no formal classes on this day and supervision will be minimal, with only one staff member in the school. Families may consider keeping their children home from school on this day.

## No Hat No Play

As the days are getting warmer and the sun is getting brighter in the sky, we need to remember that hats are a part of our school uniform and it is now time to make sure that we are wearing our hats during outside play times. We will give students a week to get back into the habit of wearing their hats, then, starting next week, the 'no hat no play' policy will be enforced. Students who do not have their hat on during play time will be asked to do a quiet activity under the C.O.L.A. or in the under cover area in front of the classrooms, where there is adequate shade.

## Priority Schools Program

The Priority Schools Program (PSP) is support for government schools serving the highest densities of low socio-economic status families. PSP resources are provided on the basis of surveys completed by parents and support is provided over a four year period. The current Priority Schools Program funding period expires at the end of 2012.

In preparation for the 2013-2016 funding, any school who wishes to be considered for this program needs to register their interest. Adaminaby Public School has registered interest and if we are considered, a requirement will be that surveys will be needed to be filled out by all families in March 2012.

## Monday Munchies

12 <sup>th</sup> September	Barnes and Wignall
19 <sup>th</sup> September	Kolve and Kingston

## Assembly

There will be an assembly this week on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September.

## Jump Rope for Heart

Jump Rope for heart "thank you gifts" were handed out to students last week. We did an amazing job and I would like to mention that a special letter was sent to me, on behalf of the school, thanking families for their support.

## Regional Athletics

Congratulations to Georgina Kingston who recently attended the regional carnival at the AIS in Canberra. Georgina competed in the discus and was the only student from our school who made it to this level of competition in athletics. Great job Georgina!

## P & C Meeting

There will be a P & C meeting held tonight in the school library at 5:15pm . All are welcome.

### Multicultural Day

As we had an abundance of activities happening earlier in the term, such as the Performing Arts Festival and the Science Day, we thought it a sensible idea to postpone Book Week activities, normally organised for week 6, until the last week of term. The exciting day that we have planned to celebrate book week will be held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September and will be a 'Multicultural Day' to coincide with this year's theme One World, Many Stories. On this day students will be asked to select a country/culture that they may have read about, or was featured in a story that they have read, and come to school that day dressed in clothing that represents that country and bring some food to share from that country.



### Tree Planting Day

The Snowy River Shire Council has contacted us with an offer to donate some native trees to the school. They are being delivered on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September and at 11:30am on that day, students will be assisting to plant them on our school grounds. Any family members who would also like to participate are also welcome to join us.

### Cooba Transition Camp

This year students in Year 5 & 6 will have the opportunity to attend a two day camp at Cooba, Berridale on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2011.

This camp is attended by other senior class students from our Monaro Small Schools Network, and its purpose is to help students in small schools to develop friendships prior to attending our local high school. The camp is also a good way to develop strategies for building successful relationships for students leaving the area to attend other high schools. The camp has been held successfully since 2009.

The total cost of the camp is \$105 per student, however the school is willing to fund \$50 per student attending, to bring the cost down to \$55 per student.

More information is provided for families with students in years 5 and 6 on the attached note.

### Puzzles Wanted

Mrs Hain would like to make a request for donations of used jigsaw puzzles, 300 – 500 pieces to be sent to Cameroon in Africa, to support African children. Donations can be brought into school and would be greatly appreciated.

### Upcoming Events

Day	Date	Event
Thursday	8 <sup>th</sup> September	Day of Action
Monday	19 <sup>th</sup> September	Tree Planting Day
Tuesday	20 <sup>th</sup> September	Multicultural Day
Friday	23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Last Day of Term
Monday	10 <sup>th</sup> October	First Day of Term 4
Thurs-Fri	20 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup> October	Cooba Camp

### Recent Notes Handed Out

Note	Return to school by:
Day of Action	N/A
Cooba Camp	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September

### The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon

The Cooma Little Theatre has a play that they are performing over the next 2 weekends. The fairy tales of the Brothers Grimm are turned on their heads in this fast-paced, rollicking ride as two narrators and several actors attempt to combine all 209 stories ranging from classics like Snow White, Cinderella, and Hansel and Gretel to more bizarre, obscure stories like The Devil's Grandmother and The Girl Without Hands.

The play is acted by high school students and is suitable for children.

The show is playing Friday and Saturday nights over the next 2 weekends at 7:30pm. Tickets are available at the Visitors Centre in Cooma or at the door.

### Easter Fair AGM

The Easter Fair AGM is on at 6.30 pm at the Adaminaby Bowling Club, on the 12th September, 2011. Come along and contribute to the ongoing success of our annual fundraising event.

### Active After School Sports

Next Monday will be the last day this term for Active After School Sports.