WHAT'S HAPPENING TERM 1 2015

MARCH
10th—P & C Meeting—6.30pm
12th—Mobile Library
18th—Author Day at Kapooka Public School
all students attending
23rd—Parent Morning Tea at 11am followed by
Special Assembly
26th—Mobile Library

APRIL
2nd—Easter Activities & parents day at Humula Public School
2nd—END TERM 1
3rd—Good Friday

STAFF
Welcome to Mr Nigel Carroll.
Mr Carroll will be at our school every Monday till the end of this Term team teaching with
Mrs Brown. The children are familiar with Nigel as they met him while attending swimming lessons at Adelong Pool. Nigel has a
wealth of experience from teaching in Tasmania, Queensland and NSW. We hope his time with us is enjoyable.

VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS
Voluntary school contributions are $30 per child or $60 for families of three or more children.

HATS
The school rule—“No Hat, No Play” applies. Please ensure your child has a broad brimmed blue hat to wear each day at school. Caps
are not an option

DRINK BOTTLES/FRUIT BOXES
Due to an ant problem at school, could parents send drink bottles containing water only—no cordial or fruit boxes.

HOMEWORK
Years 1—6 are receiving Homework Sheets on Wednesdays. These need to be completed by the students and signed off by a parent
and returned to school by the following Tuesday.

LEFT OVERS DAY—students may bring cooked left overs, that may require heating, on Mondays. This does not include items such as
pies, noodles in a cup. The food items must be home made.

BUNNINGS BBQ—Saturday 28th February 2015—thank you to the follow parents, Jenny Wolter, Jess Nugent, Nicole, Dean and
Narelle Hann, Fiona and Michael Wolfgang, Kim Chantrill, Elicia Symeoy, who gave up their time to help out at the Bunning
s BBQ on Saturday.

EASTER RAFFLE—Raffle books were sent home with the students last week. The P & C would like each child to donate either one of the
following: Easter Egg/Rabbit, small bag of eggs, large egg. Items will need to be at school by Friday 27th March.
Raffle ticket books need to be returned to school by Monday 30th March. The raffle will be drawn on Tuesday 31st
March at 11am.

SCHOOL JACKET—The photo above shows Colby wearing the school jacket. This is an optional extra for winter.
Jackets can be purchased from Creative Embroidery, Wagga. Jumpers are to be Navy, polar fleece, with 1/2 zip or
full zip. “No Hoods”. Trousers are to be Navy Parachute track trousers or navy slacks/trousers.
School Shirts are available from the school for $24 each. We encourage all parents to purchase at least one of these
shirts for their child. Sizes 6 & 8 are on order.
If your child is away from school for any reason, we require a note explaining their absence. This is a requirement from the Department of Education and Communities.

Regular attendance at school is important for students to reach their potential. Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. While parents are legally responsible for the regular attendance of their children, school staff, as a part of their duty of care, monitor part or whole day absences.

All students who are enrolled at school, regardless of their age, are expected to attend whenever instruction is provided. Parents are required to explain the absences of their children from school promptly.

In 2008 the Department of Education and Training introduced new measures to monitor the attendance of students. This was due to the changes in law that occurred at the beginning of 2008 following media focus on a series of horrific cases of child neglect.

Parents are required to explain the absences of their children within seven school days. These explanations can be:

- **Verbal** - including a phone call or a conversation in person with the parent. A record of the conversation must be made by school personnel and kept with other absence explanations.
- **Written** - a letter from the parent or a doctor’s certificate explaining the absence.
- **Electronic** - an email or text message explaining an absence. A record must be made by school personnel and kept with other absence explanations. Text messages must be sent to principal’s phone.
- **Principals may request a doctors certificate**
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