Welcome to this week’s South Wagga Bulletin.

I would like to start with a huge congratulations to the Fete Committee on another highly successful and very enjoyable South Wagga fete. The evening ran very smoothly in every regard and the fete was a massive success. The final money count continues as the last of the silent auction money is sent into school, however, at present the profit is around $17000. Well done and thank you to everyone who supported this year’s fete.

This week, building started on new fixed play equipment for Kindergarten and Stage 1 and it should be completed by the start of next week. The play equipment is a joint project between the school and P&C / Fete and some of the funds raised at this year’s fete have been directed towards the purchase of the equipment for the students.

On Monday the Riverina Touring Band performed at school for the students, staff and parents. The school had three students taking part in the band, Ned Prescott, Tom Prescott and Meg Mundy. A highlight for me was seeing the remaining members of the South Wagga Band joining in with the Riverina Band to practise and perform. It was fantastic to see how much the students enjoyed the opportunity to perform as part of a large group.

The Year 6 Fun Day today was another very good school activity. As part of their leadership responsibilities the Year 6 students had to plan activities and run the events on the day. The gold coin donation goes towards purchasing the 2014 Year 6 gift to the school.

Parents are reminded to attend the Cyber Safety Presentation next Thursday at 7pm in the gym. This is an extremely important and useful presentation for all parents and one that you should not miss. If your child has access to the internet or uses an iPad, iPod, Tablet or computer you need to attend this information session. I am hoping that the evening is well attended as it has taken a great deal of effort from a number of sources to make this parent presentation possible at South Wagga. I cannot stress enough the importance of all parents attending this very important presentation.

In closing I would like to congratulate Mr Duncan Brodie who was this week permanently appointed through the merit selection process as a teacher at South Wagga Public School.

Until next week

Greg
Canteen Roster—October
Week 7  Term 4
Mon 10:   Tracey
Tues 11:  CLOSED
Wed 12:  Jenny & Glenn
Thur 13:  Tracey
Fri 14:   Tracey & Mardi

Help always wanted
Canteen Closed Tuesdays

Achievement Awards
KR:  Joseph Measday—Application in writing
KJ:  Jace Lucas—Enjoying listening to the Riverina Band
1/2D:  Ricky Holmes—Trying hard in persuasive writing
1/2J:  Mollie Walker—Maturity and leadership
1/2G:  Charlie Roche—Growing confident in reading
Emma Mundy—A fantastic persuasive text
1/2R:  Caitlyn Jay—An excellent effort in persuasive writing
3/4H:  Darcie Moon—Enthusiasm in maths
Izzy Kimpton—Working well in reading groups
3/4L:  Safiy Robertson—Oral presentation skills
Xander Anschuetz—Greater concentration in class
3/4P:  Tom Davies—Effort in reading groups
Ines Treharne—Positive attitude and humour
5/6B:  Caitlin Hoy—Always doing her best
Ethan Ross—His positivity and friendliness
5/6C:  Josh Mills—Excellent attitude towards classwork
Hugh Wakefield—Excellent questioning skills
5/6S:  Shivani Ratra—Inquiry thinking in science
Paige Clancy—Outstanding results in mathematics
Rani Hogg—Outstanding literacy results

Special Awards: Hugh Bent 1/2J, Angus Banks KR, Lillyanah Jackson 1/2J

Library:  Navya Gajella 1/2G, Cohen Benson 1/2D

How 2 Learn Awards
KR:  Will Ryan—Learning to manage his distractions
KJ:  Devangi Joshi—Remembering to practise her learning at home
1/2D:  Cohen Benson—Using remembering to his advantage
1/2J:  Hugh Smith—Remembering facts and applying them to his learning
1/2G:  Nate Sarantakos—Being a positive role model in collaborative
1/2R:  Liam O’Neill—Collaborating well to build his farm
3/4H:  Ben Kelly—Deep thinking in literacy
3/4L:  Alex Manley—Making links between texts
3/4P:  Joey Reyment—Reflectiveness in learning
5/6B:  Meg Callaghan—Thinking deeply and arguing her points
5/6C:  Saige Mascini—Planning her work
5/6S:  Kate Sibrey—Planning her work & managing her learning time well

Special Awards: Emma Mundy 1/2G

The new fixed play equipment for Kinder and Stage 1, which should be completed by the start of next week.

Working Bee
Working bee this Sat 15 November @ 4.30pm. Volunteers are needed to help spread softfall for the new equipment. Please bring rake and shovel.
Students are looking forward to using the new equipment.
Thank you.

Mahek Jain with her official invitation to meet the Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi on 17 November at the Allphones Arena, Sydney.

Riverina and SWPS Band performing 10 November
This week’s focus is the strategy of **Planning**. In Kindergarten we have been using this strategy to extend our writing capabilities when writing narratives. Before we begin to write, we always discuss our ideas with a few friends. It helps us to think about whether we have included the: who, what, when, where and why questions at the beginning of the writing. Then we use our imagination to invent a problem or puzzle for the middle of the story which is where all the action takes place. But writing the ending is the most fun especially if it is a surprise and makes people laugh.

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**Bike Day Funanza!**

Leading up to bike day was very exciting for South Wagga Public School. Mr Brodie had planned and organised this day to be spectacular for all students.

‘Having Leigh from StarFM come in and talk to the kids about bike safety was great. It was a really engaging factor for all the kids’ exclaimed Mr Brodie.

The students were so excited about having their bikes and scooters at school, they were zooming around like fireflies all day.

Emerging from the dots at around 9:40am, Stage 2 and 3 hurried to grab their bikes and off they went. Stage 1 and Kinder went after recess.

Rotating around all the six different stations, ranging from off road riding to learning the road rules, was great. ‘It’s wonderful to see just how much knowledge the kids really do have!’ remarked Mrs Dillon.

Chris from Kidson’s Cycles and Paul from Morgan Street Cycles joined us this year to run all the classes through how to make sure their bike, scooter, skateboard and rollerblades were up to date and didn’t need any repairs.

South Wagga is very thankful that Chris and Paul came because there were bolts, wheels and pedals flying everywhere and many flat tyres.

The preparation that went towards organising this very special occasion by Mr Brodie was highly extensive and muchly appreciated by his pupils.

--by Gabbi Dennis
A huge thank you to everyone who attended last week’s Fete.

Thank you to all who volunteered their time to help set-up, work on stalls, co-ordinate stalls, donate goods to the stalls and helped pack up. Together we raised over $17,000 on the night which is a huge amount that will go to the P&C to be used around the school next year.

We have also raised additional funds throughout the year with the raffle, chocolates, Father’s Day and Mother’s Day stalls, crazy camel calendars and mufti days. These funds will also be used by the P&C. We are currently finalising all of the amounts from fete night and the fundraising so we will have more information in next week’s Bulletin.

A very big thank you to all the businesses and organisations who supported the fete this year. A full list of these businesses and organisations will be included in next week’s Bulletin. The support that we received from the community was fantastic.

2014 Fete Committee