Principal's Report

Presentation Day
As school winds down, we are looking forward to next year. Our directions in 2016 will continue around supporting students in a quality learning environment and assisting them to achieve to their personal best. Congratulations to all of our award winners at yesterday’s Presentation Day. The ceremony went off remarkably well and all students are to be complimented on their exemplary behaviour throughout the proceedings.

Staffing
Staffing continues to be finalised for next year with new appointments being made. Congratulations to Rebecca Wall who has received a permanent appointment to Hay Public School. Rebecca has been a temporary teacher over the last few years and has been appointed under the Rural and Remote Strategy that recognises a teacher’s temporary service. Other engagements that have recently occurred include Bronwyn Hicks, Ellen Zambon and Maree Clavel who will all join our teaching staff in 2016.

Classes
At this stage we have formed 8 classes in preparation for next year. Teachers will be announced on the first day back. Our classes include: Kindergarten, K/1, Year 1/2, Year 2/3, Year 3/4, Year 4/5, Year 5/6 and Year 5/6. Please advise the school if you or your family will not be returning to Hay Public School in 2016.

Thank You
I would like to thank all staff and students for making 2015 such an enjoyable year at Hay Public School and for all of their hard work. We look forward to an equally productive 2016.
Thank you to all the parents and volunteers who come into our school and help with reading, art, sport, scripture, craft, athletics, swimming, kitchen, garden, etc. In particular I would like to thank our hard-working and supportive P&C who donate generously every year.

School Returns
School commences on Thursday 4th February 2016 for students in Years 1-6 and Tuesday 9th February for our new Kindergarten students. School will be open on Tuesday 2nd February, should you need to contact the office at any stage.
I wish everyone a Merry Christmas, a restful break and a joyous, safe and happy holiday.

Carol Oataway
Principal
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Sport Report
Riverina Schools Sports Association Blues Awards
Last Friday I had the privilege to attend the Riverina Schools Association Blues Awards ceremony in Wagga, where Brait Headon was a recipient of this prestigious award in recognition of his selection in the NSW Touch Football team. Brait was also the only Riverina primary school student to receive a Premier’s Sporting Challenge Sports Scholarship with $500. We are very proud of you Brait and wish you all the best in all your future sporting achievements.

Coming Events/ Sporting Dates
2016
2nd Feb  Staff Return
4th Feb  Yr. 1-6 Students return
9th Feb  Kindergarten Commences
12th Feb  HPS Swimming Carnival
25th Feb  District Swimming Carnival - Hay

All staff and students at Hay Public School would like to say a final farewell to some very special staff members that are leaving. I hope your new towns and schools know and appreciate what quality teachers they are receiving. You all deserve the best.
Ms Hiebl, goodbye and good luck in your new town and new school. They are very lucky to have your family join them.
Miss Burke, goodbye and good luck with your move. You will be greatly missed here at HPS. Its hard to believe we won’t see your face around the school next year. We are very happy for you and Mr Ayres. Please continue to look after Mr Ayres, he may need it.
Mr Ayres, goodbye and good luck on your new adventure. We all hope you enjoy teaching on class next year. Your new students are very lucky to be receiving a teacher like you. We hope Miss Burke continues to look after you.
Mr Fajks, goodbye and good luck. You are such an asset to any school you choose to work at. Deniliquin is so lucky to have you as their new teacher. We are very happy to know that you and Mrs Fajks are only relocating schools, not homes.
Miss Andrechek, goodbye and good luck with your move to the Central Coast. It is sad to have to say good bye to such a vibrant teacher. We wish you all the best with your future teaching positions and wedding!
Welcome to Mrs Narelle Hurle who will be our new canteen lady next year, taking over from the wonderful Mrs Julieanne Jones. The school will to continue to supply quality fresh foods to our students in 2016. Thank you to the Hay Public School P&C for their kind donation of goods and equipment. Julieanne and her Merry Helpers wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.

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**HPS Breakfast Program**

Monday to Friday 8.45 am to 9 am

In the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen

Free to all students

Donation of items for use in our breakfast program are most welcome.

*Fruit, milk, juice, cereal*

Thank you to Anna Lilburne and Ruth Headon for their conscientious dedication to the Breakfast Program at our school.

Thank you also to our local supporters and families who regularly donate items for breakfast use.

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Murrumbidgee Matters, our school magazine, will be printed and distributed to all students who have paid their General Contribution Fee of $30.00 for 2015. Magazines will be available to purchase for $10.00.

**ABSENCES**

All absences are advised to parents by text on the day. If you have not already advised the school of this absence please do so by return text. A note on students return to school is needed only if text has not been answered.

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**DONATION FOR CLOTHING POOL.**

Donations of summer uniforms are urgently needed for our clothing pool.

Families urgently require:-

- Summer Dresses
- Blue Shirts
- Sport T-Shirts

Your donations would be greatly appreciated.

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