Principal’s Report
Creative Catchment Kids Book Launch
Year 6 students were all excited to celebrate the launch of their books ‘Clarkie the Controller of Magical Merriola’, ‘Humewood: Goat Mustering on the Hay Plains’ and ‘The Wonders of Wooloondool’s Country Crops’. The students were part of the Creative Kids Catchment Program, sponsored by the Local Land Services, and received published copies of their books at an official launch last Friday. Present were Mrs Stacey Staunton Latimer, Mrs Sally Ware from the Riverina Local Land Service and members of the Maynard, Clark and Booth families. Thanks to Mrs Cullenward, for her dedication and passion in being involved in this program and the abovementioned families for allowing the students to visit their properties to take photos and notes. The books will be available at the state library, the town library and the school library.

2016 Student Leaders’ Elections
On Monday morning the whole school had the privilege of listening to fifteen self-assured young students who were presenting their election speeches in order to run for the school parliament in 2016. Students were asked to outline the ways in which they would improve Hay Public School in 2016, making it better for our students. Some very interesting ideas were put forth such as a whole school music program, reducing the litter in our playground, improving the buddy system that is in place, and reducing the amount of bullying in the playground. Student leaders for 2016 will be announced on Friday morning at our K-6 assembly. Following this announcement the outgoing parliamentarians, incoming parliamentarians and members of the school staff will all vote for the positions of captains and vice-captains of our school. Announcements of captains will be made at our Presentation Day on 15th December.

Proud and Deadly Awards
Yesterday, nine students travelled to Deniliquin to take part in the Riverina Region’s Proud and Deadly Awards. The ‘Proud and Deadly’ awards recognise the achievements and excellence of Aboriginal students within the school environment in the areas of sport, attendance, encouragement, academic achievement, citizenship, visual arts and leadership. Hay Public School students were accompanied by their parents and Miss Kennedy at the awards ceremony which was held at the Deniliquin RSL Club. The award recipients include: Holly Ashcroft – Citizenship, Manaia Clune – Encouragement, Veletah Kennedy – Academic Achievement, Michael Ferguson-Ashcroft – Encouragement, Sean Johnston – Encouragement, Darnelle Filmer – Sport, Marlee McPhellamy – Academic Achievement, Tahlia Tassell – Encouragement and Opal Woods – Sport. Congratulations to these students.

Swimming School
Swim School started this week for all students. Students are reminded to bring their swimming gear every day for the next two weeks. Students in K-1 are taking part in Water Awareness, Years 2-4 in Learn to Swim and Years 5-6 in Swim and Survive. Thanks to Sarah Houston for her organisation in regards to Swimming School and teachers and aides who are helping to implement the program.

End of Year
As the end of the year winds down, students are reminded that they must not relax their standards of behaviour in the classroom and in the playground. It would be a shame for students to miss their end of year festivities such as Year 6 Farewell, No Greenslip Reward Pool Party and class parties due to poor behaviour. Students who are on monitoring cards at the time of these events will be ineligible to participate. The school rules and Code of Conduct still apply right up until the last day of the year.

Have a great week
Carol Oatway
Principal
Stage 2 and 3 News
Save the Date:
TUESDAY 8th December
Year 6 Farewell Disco invitations have been sent home inviting Stage 3 students to the Year 6 Farewell Disco. A Graduation ceremony will take place at 6pm for Year 6 students and their parents and family. Following on from this Year 5 will join Year 6 in the fun and festivities of supper and disco dancing. Could everyone please make sure they have sent in their RSVP by tomorrow as numbers are being finalised.

2016 Parliamentarians
The Parliamentarians for 2016 will be announced this Friday, 4th December at the Assembly. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Mrs Suzanne Murphy
Assistant Principal Stage 2 & 3

3S
This term 3S have studied the book Refugees, by David Miller. Here are some samples of writing they have done using different words to transform the text.

All evening the four bears stomped, leaving their cave and their flooded waterfall far behind. At last, very exhausted, they came to a jungle. But the weather was too cold, they couldn’t catch any food and there were no caves to sleep in.

By Bailey Caughey.

All night the three Pandas walked, leaving the city and its smoky fumes far behind. At last, very weary, they came to the forest. But the stones were sharp, the water was dirty and they couldn’t find anywhere to sleep.

The Wonders of Wooloondool’s Country Crops
Humewood - Goat Mustering On The Hay Plains
Sport Report

Pacific School Games

Brait Headon was in Adelaide last week, as a member of the NSWPSSA Touch Football team, participating in the Pacific School Games.

Results:

Sunday 22nd November (DAY 1)

NSW 14, NT 2 (Brait two tries)
NSW 15, SA 1 (Brait one try)

Monday 23rd November (DAY 2)

NSW 0, QLD 9
NSW 9, WA 4 (Brait one try)

Tuesday 24th November

NSW 9, ACT 1
NSW 16, VIC 1 (Brait one try)

Wednesday 25th November (Day 4)

NSW 3, QLD 6
Thursday 26th November (Day 5)
Rest day (on the waterslide - team bonding)

Friday 27th November (Day 6)
Final - QLD 8 defeated NSW 3

Congratulations, Brait, on a fantastic carnival - a NSW silver medallist. WOW!

2Hay FM

Thanks to Tom Christensen and Hugh Crighton for your confident presentation of our sports report on 2Hay FM last Friday.

Carols By Candlelight

All students are asked to attend to perform at Carols By Candlelight.

When: Saturday 5th December
Where: Hay Railway Station
Time: 7:30pm start
Dress: Students are asked to dress in a Christmas theme

Students will be performing two songs on the night – Feliz Navidad and Nuttin’ For Christmas

HWMHS Enrolments

HWMHS sent out enrolment forms to all students who have shown an interest in enrolling for 2016. Could you please return these ASAP to the front office at the High School. Thank you.

Year 6 Transition

The final Transition for Year 6 will be on the 3rd of December. The students are asked to meet Mrs Cullenward at the High School in the morning and will walk back to HPS together in the afternoon.

Year 6 Farewell

All students in Year 5 & 6 are invited to the year 6 farewell on Tuesday 8th December.

Cost $5.00 per student payable to front office asap.

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
**Exciting News Announcement**

Chris and Melanie Wright are swimming at the Hay Swimming Carnival on 5th December 2015.

Chris and Melanie are offering their time to support swimmers in our region and we hope the Hay carnival is well supported by swimmers all over the region. Chris and Melanie are offering coaching and advice at the meet to all the regions swimmers.

Chris and Melanie are currently busy training to get a spot in the Australian team competing in Rio next year. They have just both got home after competing in the FINA World Cup in Tokyo, Doha and Dubai. From the FINA World Cup Melanie came home with 4 gold medals and one silver in her favourite freestyle events, while Chris came home with bronze medal in 100m and 200m Butterfly. Melanie and Chris will travel on the Deniliquin team bus from Deniliquin to Hay. Deniliquin Swim Club would like to thank our club sponsor Deniliquin Freighters, particularly Russell Tait and Vicki Meyers who have helped co-ordinate activities so Chris and Melanie spend the day swimming at the Hay carnival.

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**LUNCH LANE CANTEEN**

**Friday Special Lunch**

- Chicken Crackles
- Zooper Dooper
- Nippy’s Flavoured Milk

**$5.00**

Orders by Thursday please

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**Canteen News**

All HPS Canteen accounts will need to be finalised by Friday 4th December. After this date, the canteen will cease any further accounts until 2016. Letters will be sent home to those families that currently have money owing.

The Canteen will be closed on Presentation Day Tuesday 15th December. Sandwiches can be ordered but must be ordered on Monday 14th. No late orders will be accepted.