Principal’s Report

Cross Country
What a great day we had for our annual cross country last Friday! It was great to see our students participating and ‘having a go’, even though some of them found the distance quite a challenge. It was also great to see parents encouraging our students along the track and at the finish line. Thank you must go to Robyn Pearson for her organisation, smooth running and co-ordination of the event on the day. Thanks also to all parent helpers who acted as officials on the day. A job well done! Congratulations to our champions Jack Headon, Isobella Murray (8/9 years), Janee Davies, Lachlan Clark (10 years), Benjamin Caughey, Janae Winzar (11 years) and Benjamin Caughey, Janae Winzar (11 years) and Benjamin Caughey, Janae Winzar (11 years) and James Millyard (People’s Choice). Thanks to Mrs Christensen for her outstanding organisation, Mrs Stewart for her guidance and Hay Public School staff and P&C for their support.

Operation Art
Thank you to the school community who attended the Operation Art and auction for Hay Public School over the weekend. Class artworks were auctioned with the most popular ones reaching over $200 per piece. This was a great fundraiser for the school with money raised going towards Westmead Children’s Hospital Operation Art entry fees and art supplies for the school. Congratulations to the four successful students who had their artworks judged by local artists and the people of Hay. They include: Jim Houston (Stage 1), Lainey Harman-Biggs (Stage 2), Sarah Towler (Stage 3) and James Millyard (People’s Choice). Thanks to Mrs Christensen for her outstanding organisation, Mrs Stewart for her guidance and Hay Public School staff and P&C for their support.

Attendance
Attendance at school is most important and any student enrolled in a NSW school is required to attend school each day it is open for instruction. Principals are legally responsible for maintaining accurate records of student attendance. When reasons for absences are provided to the school by parents, principals are accountable for their decision to record a student’s absence as justified. Principals may decline to accept as satisfactory an explanation for an absence and will record that absence as unjustified. Principals may also request medical certificates if illness occurs frequently or is prolonged. It is the responsibility of parents or carers to make sure that their children attend school each day. It is important to understand that parents (including carers) may be prosecuted if children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unjustified absences from school. The Principal will be conducting an audit of absences this week and will be notifying parents by letter if there are any concerns.

NAPLAN
Good luck to all Year 3 and 5 students who will be sitting their NAPLAN tests next week. Tests are conducted in Writing, Language Conventions, Reading and Mathematics. Children are encouraged to have early nights and a good breakfast so that they are able to concentrate throughout the testing period.

Have a great week!

Carol Oataway
Principal
Once again Hay Public School will implement an extended Kindergarten transition program in 2015 called Ready, Set, Kinder.

Children will access a variety of opportunities which will enhance their developing skills and prepare them for school life at Hay Public School in 2016.

All students entering Kindergarten at Hay Public School in 2016 are invited to participate in our ‘Ready, Set, Kinder!’ education program each Wednesday from 9:15 am to 3:00 pm in Terms 3 and 4 to undertake learning and familiarisation activities and to experience aspects of school life. This is an opportunity for them to explore and play in a new learning environment and will assist in helping them feel happy, safe and secure.

All children who are eligible to commence school in 2016 and are planning on enrolling at Hay Public School will have access to this program.

To reserve a place in the Ready, Set, Kinder! Program please contact the office at Hay Public School on (02) 69931270

Stage One

Stage One would like to thank the Hay Public School P&C for purchasing listening posts for each classroom. They can be used for small group work activities and individual tasks.

Variety Bash Helicopter Ride

This week at assembly, one lucky student will be drawn from the yellow award draw bucket, to take a ride in the Variety Bash helicopter on May 19th. The student will also be able to nominate a member of their family to take the ride with them. Students are encouraged to work hard this week, observe the school rules and strive to receive as many yellow awards as possible to increase their chances of being drawn out.

DONATION FOR CLOTHING POOL

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

Families urgently require:-

- navy jumpers and blue shirts

“SHEAR STORIES” SHORT STORY COMPETITION WINNER ANNOUNCED

Shear Outback is pleased to announce that Emily Gibson of the Hay Public School is the winner of the Primary school age (5-12 years) short story competition. A panel of writers chose her entry, “Harnie”, from 91 stories received from all over Australia. The winner was announced by best-selling writer Denis McIntosh at the induction of five shearing legends into the Australian Shearers’ Hall of Fame. Denis is best-known as author of the epic memoir of shearing days “Beaten by a Blow”. Emily Gibson, a year six student, is the daughter of Robert and Markeeta Gibson of “Croidon”, Hay, NSW. For her story which according to the judges “told of the arc of a day’s shearing with sensitive attention to detail”, she will receive a Certificate of Achievement and a cheque for $200.

Shear Outback also wishes to congratulate all students who entered. Among highly commended stories were “The Great Shearing Story” by Devlin Clarke, “Living Two Lives” by Hugh Duncan, “Lily and Dusty” by Kate Turner, “Shearing” by Alice Booth, “Close Shave” by Ryan Booth, “Life as a Sheep” by Georgia Wragge and “The Shearing Shed” by Max Day.

Selected stories will be published in the Shear Outback “Shear Stories” anthology later in the year.

Two Friends Productions

One hundred years on from the events at Gallipoli and the ANZAC legacy is still strong.

Two Friends Productions presents ‘Our Anzacs and their Legacy’, a 50 minute theatre production, exploring the soldiers, the events, and the spirit that created the Anzac Legend. This production covers the background of WW1, putting the Gallipoli landing in context, before focusing in on the Anzacs. The play will explore who the Anzacs were, why they were at Gallipoli, what happened when they arrived, and perhaps most importantly, the legacy that was created. Audiences will also explore the role of female nurses, and discover stories of bravery and mateship.

This production will be visiting Hay Public School on Wednesday 13th May, and students from Year 2 to 6 are invited to attend. Students are asked to bring a gold coin donation to subsidise the cost of bringing this performance to Hay Public School. This will be collected on the day.

Cross Country/Fun Run

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Sport Report

Cross Country

Our annual Cross Country/Run was held in perfect conditions on Friday afternoon around the Hay Park perimeter and No 1 Oval. Congratulations to all children who participated in the run, including our visitors from Booligal and SOTA. Thanks to all teachers, parents and community members who helped supervise the course. Special thanks to Lynn Clark, Kerry Nevinson and John Headon for setting up and assisting throughout the afternoon and Felicity Maynard for managing the water stop. Sturt (134) dominated the run early, finishing with three individual champions. Oxley (116), Cobb (100) and Cadell (85) followed.

Age Division Champions were: 8/9 Year Boy-Jack Headon (St), 8/9 Year Girl-Isobella Murray (St), 10 Year Boy-Lachlan Clark (Co), 10 Year Girl-Janee Davies (St), 11 Year Boy-Ben Caughey (Ox), 11 Year Girl-Janee Winzar (Ox), 12/13 Year Boy-Tom Christensen (Ca), 12/13 Year Girl-Iona Cullenward (Ox). Medallions and cards will be presented at our assembly on Friday.

Congratulations to Booligal and SOTA students - Kate Turner 1st (10 Year Girls), Claire Booth 2nd (12/13Year Girls), Dimity Maclean 3rd (8/9 Year Girls), Jack Turner 3rd (12/13 Year Boys), Riley Turner 4th (10 Year Boys) and Ryan Booth 4th (11 Year Boys).

District Cross Country


Boys’ Soccer Team

Adrian Pascoe, Reece Deacon, Liam Hayward, James Milyard, Brait Headon, Herbie Maynard, Flynn Griffiths, Ronan Haines, Angus Gardiner, Coded Poole, Ben Caughey, Daniel Nauer and Tom Christensen.

Boys’ Touch Trials

Hugh Crighton, Brait Headon and Richard Weymouth have been nominated to attend the Riverina Boys’ Touch Trials. These will be held on Thursday 28th May at Sarvass Park, North Albury (9.30am – 2.30pm. Cost is $2, payable to the convenor, Louise Purs-Semple.

2 Hay FM

Thank to Angus Gardiner and Charlee Masters for confidently presenting our sports report last Friday at 2 Hay FM.

Stage 3 Sport

Stage 3 Sport will focus on rugby league (boys) and AFL (girls) this Friday.

Trent Barrett Shield-Boys

Last Tuesday the Stage 2 boys’ Rugby League side travelled to Griffith to compete in the Trent Barrett Shield. Their first game was against Hanwood and it was a tight contested game in which the fiery duo of Lachlan Clark and Daniel Stewart led from the front. The entire team’s defence throughout the game was solid. Special mention must go to the ever elusive Finn Cullenward who weaved in and out of the defence like a piece of cane through a basket to score the last try. The next game was against Griffith East and the crowd could have easily mistaken it for a game of touch football, as both teams decided they couldn’t really be bothered with defence. The final score was 7 tries to 5 our way. This meant that the boys would play Goolgowi in the final. It was a fantastic game with the final score 2-2. Hay won the match as they were the first to score. The entire team displayed great sportsmanship and a never-die attitude. Special mention to Jack Headon, Daniel Stewart and Lachlan Clark who were standout players on the day. Thank you to all parents who drove and helped out. Without your support none of this would be possible.

Trent Barrett Shield-Girls

Last Tuesday, eleven stage 2 girls competed at the annual Trent Barrett League Tag Tournament in Griffith. The girls had 3 games to play which would decide if they would make it to the next level in Wagga. They were a little nervous after the first whistle, but quickly warmed up and gained more confidence. In the first game, the girls won convincingly, 4-0 with tries to Carrie Ann Murray, Ayesha Headon (2), and Emma Johnson. The second game proved to be a much greater challenge. The girls also had to contend with the distraction of the Country Rugby League team who had just arrived. Darci Masters was able to score a try, but it wasn’t enough for the win, with a final score of 5-1. After the girls had a meet and greet with the celebrities, and had autographs all over their shirts and boots, they were inspired! They came through with another victory in their third and final game, winning 1-0 with a try to Emma Johnson. Unfortunately it was not enough to get them through to Wagga, but it was a great day nonetheless. Thank you to the girls for all their continuous effort and positive attitude and to the parents for coming to cheer them on!

Coming Events/ Sporting Dates

9th/10th May Box Rally dinner/breakfast
14th May P&C Meeting-2pm
19th May Variety Bash Breakfast
19th May UNSW Computer Comp
19th-21st May NSWPSA AFL-Blacktown
21st May Mortimer Shield-Leeton
22nd May No Greenslip Reward
25th May Paul Kelly Cup (AFL)-Deni
28th May District Cross Country-Deni
28th May Boys’ Touch Trials-Albury
29th May Girls’ Soccer Knockout-Deni

P&C Fundraising

Box Rally

Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th May

The P & C are asking for volunteers to help with catering for the Box Rally on Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th May.

Variety Club Bash

Wednesday 19th May

The Variety Club will be arriving on Wednesday 19th May for breakfast here at school under the big shelter. Helpers are required from 5am onwards. If you are available to help at either event please contact Julieanne in the canteen or call the front office on 6993 1270.
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**AT COMMUNITY HEALTH**
**PH: 1800 450 046 for an appointment**

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**LUNCH LANE CANTEEN**

**Friday Special Lunch**

- Sausage Roll with sauce
- Sport Water
- Zooper Dooper

FREE

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**HAY PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C**

Hay Public School P & C welcomes the Box Rally
The Box Rally is not a race, rather a challenge to achieve the unthinkable; to drive cars worth $1,000 across Australia via some of its most arduous roads, all in the name of charity.
The Rally will arrive in Hay on Saturday 9th May and leave after breakfast on Sunday 10th May. The P & C will be catering for dinner on Saturday night, breakfast on Sunday morning and providing sandwiches to take away after breakfast.
The P & C will be raising much needed funds for the students of Hay Public School.
To assist with this catering the P&C are asking families
From each class for the following items:

**FROZEN PEAS!!**
THE P&C ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF MORE
FROZEN PEAS PLEASE!!!
WE WOULD LOVE YOUR HELP! IF YOU CAN ASSIST PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL - 02 6993 1270 OR

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**STEWART HOUSE DAY - FRIDAY 22ND MAY**

Envelopes have been issued to students seeking a donation of $2.00 to help support the wonderful work done by Stewart House. Students who return their envelope are then entered into a draw to win a holiday.

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**PAYMENTS COUPON**

**HAY PUBLIC SCHOOL**

Once a Year Payments per child:

- General Contribution Fee $30.00
- Subject Fee $25.00
- Performances
  - Life Education $10.00
  - Term 2, Week 9 17-19th June
  - Indigenous Performer $5.00
  - Term 3, Week 4 - 3rd August

Excursions

- Stage 2 $160.00
- Lake Mungo & Swan Hill - 9th & 10th Sept
- Stage 3 $600.00
- Canberra - 26th to 30th October

INVOICES HAVE BEEN ISSUED

Name: ___________________________ $___________
Name: ___________________________ $___________
Total Payment $___________

Payment to yellow box in front office or direct credit details

BSB 032-001 Acc No 141581.

Acc Name– Hay Public School

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**SHREK**

Celebrate National Families Week with a FREE family movie screening of

**SHREK**

Bring your bean bags, blankets and pillows and join us for a sausage sizzle & some family fun.

When: Saturday 23rd May 2015
Time: 5pm to 8pm
Where: Hay Public School Hall
Cost: it’s FREE!

Free popcorn, drinks and tea and coffee will also be available.

We look forward to seeing you all there!
Please RSVP for catering purposes.

**Contact Terri**
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