Principal’s Report

Box Rally
Over the weekend, the P&C held a successful fundraiser catering for the Box Rally car drivers who came through town. Pictured are parents, grandparents and staff members who formed a small part of the large team that pulled off an amazing effort. A sumptuous roast dinner was served on Saturday night, followed by a cooked breakfast and a cut lunch supplied on Sunday. An extremely busy Mother’s Day ensued for some of our hard working mums, but one that did not go unnoticed by our staff and students. The feedback received has been extremely positive from all involved. Thank you to our families for the donations of food, to our Mums, Dads and grandparents for their time and dedication and to our hard working members of staff and their partners for giving up part of their weekend, all for the benefit of our students and school. Another outstanding team effort!

Variety Bash
On Tuesday morning, 19th May, the P&C will be catering all over again for the 241 Variety Bash drivers who will roll into town. Variety, the children’s charity, has generously supplied the school with much needed and safer high jump mats for the students to use. Kindergarten student, Jimmy Sciffer, was the lucky student to be drawn from the yellow award bucket to take a helicopter ride on this day and he has nominated his father to take the ride with him. We are hoping for some great photos.

ANZACs and Their Legacy
Today, School of the Air students and Year 7 Hay War Memorial High School students, joined our students for a Two Friends production of ‘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 WWI, putting the Gallipoli landing in context, before focusing in on the Anzacs. The play explored who the Anzacs were, why they were at Gallipoli, what happened when they arrived, and perhaps most importantly, the legacy that was created. Audiences also explored the role of female nurses, and discovered stories of bravery and mateship.

Operation Art News
Following our successful art exhibition last week, entries from Lainey Harman Biggs, Jim Houston, Sarah Towler and James Millyard have all been sent to the Westmead Children’s Hospital in Sydney. Congratulations to Mackenzie Dawson who was the winner of the raffle, a Margie McClelland print of Hay scenes. The art exhibition raised a total of $1569.70 for the school with $380 going to Westmead Hospital.

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

Have a great week!
Carol Oataway
Principal
Stage 2 and 3 News

NAPLAN
Year 3 and 5 students will be sitting the NAPLAN assessment tests this week. If your child is absent for any of the tests they will be caught up on Friday.

Tuesday – Writing & Language   Wednesday – Reading   Thursday – Numeracy   Friday – Catch-up

Premier’s Spelling Bee
The 2015 Premier’s Spelling Bee commences this week. All students from Stage 2 and 3 are encouraged to participate in this challenge. Mrs Murphy is taking names of interested students and will issue them with a list of words to practise for our upcoming in-school challenge. Students can also access a free online spelling game on the School A-Z website.

Mrs Murphy   Assistant Principal St 2 & 3

Library News
4RA have been researching the role of horses during WWI. Last week we read the book, Midnight by Mark Greenwood.

On October 31, 1917, the 4th and 12th regiments of the Australian Light Horse took part in one of the last great cavalry charges in history. Among the first to leap the enemy trenches was Lieutenant Guy Haydon riding his mare, Midnight. The students responded to this text writing an acrostic poem about the images and emotions the story provoked.

Finn Cullenward

Magnificent Midnight is born
In haste Guy joins the Army
Danger awaits Midnight on the battle front
Nations go to war
In Gallipoli Guy trudges through mud
Guy and Midnight are reunited
How bad it would have been
Today the tale gets told of how Midnight saved Guy’s life!

Magnificent men and horses
In
Danger
Night after night
In battle
Galloping
Horses shot
Tragedy
Denzie Pascoe

MAY is National Reading Month.
This is designed to get more kids reading with their families. Reading role models and shared reading time are critical to a child’s learning and literacy development. Research shows that family reading time is one of the BEST ways to grow a child’s interest in the wonderful world of books.

Kids who read, succeed!
Here are some tips on how to create a positive reading environment at home for your child.

Create a Thinking Environment- Reading for pleasure is the key to remaining a motivated reader. Help your child find books they will enjoy. Discuss language, characters, plot and elements in stories. Keep a fresh supply of reading material available by borrowing from the town and school library.

Read a variety of books- Read aloud to your children. Read books together. Read magazines, newspapers and comic books.

Read Purposefully- Read for information – read maps, graphs, charts, recipes and more! With older children, read current event newspaper articles and discuss your child’s point of view and opinions.

Support the Reading Habit- Give your child access to a wealth of reading material – library books, newspapers and magazines.

KB practised writing on their whiteboards before they wrote in their lovely mother’s day cards. Here are some photos of James and Gus writing on their whiteboards and KB sending their love to their Mums.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! (we just can’t say it enough!)
Hay Public School P&C would like to sincerely thank everyone who helped us cater for the 440 Box Rally entrants who visited Hay over the weekend. This includes Foodworks, IGA, Pace Farms and Bunnings for their generous donations; Hay Shire Council staff for their support and guidance, especially Gaylene Stephens and Blue Pearson; the community groups who loaned us their equipment and facilities – Hay Mar Memorial High School, Hay Lions, Hay Magpies senior and junior rugby league clubs and Hay Scouts; Paula Petersen for preparing the special meals and loaning us equipment; parents who donated food items; the kitchen garden staff and classes for the wonderful ANZAC biscuits; and the community and we have received lots of wonderful feedback thanks to the incredible job that every one of you did.

We would like to particularly acknowledge Julieanne Jones for doing such a great job of coordinating the huge task, along with her catering sub-committee of Kathryn Miller, Gina Haines, Rejeana Turner, Donna Lewis and Kellie Rutledge who have been planning for many months to make the event a success.
Quality education in a caring environment

**Student of the Week**

**KB**  
Emily Taylor

**K/1W**  
Brodie Ashcroft

**1/2B**  
Artie Keating/Dylan Ilic

**2H**  
Milly Deacon/Kirby Pingiaro

**3S**  
Austin Clavel

**4RA**  
Luke Nevinson

**4S/5**  
Tashana Walliss

**5/6CC**  
Daisy Barnes

**5/6P**  
Zoe Books

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**NSWPSSA AFL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Good luck to Hugh Crighton who is participating in the NSWPSSA AFL Championships in Blacktown next week. Hugh is part of a strong Riverina team expected to perform well at this carnival.

**District Cross Country**

The first four place-getters in each age division qualify for the District Cross Country to be held on Thursday 28th May, in Deniliquin. Our team is:-

- **8/9 Boys**
  - Jack Headon, Ben Clark, Kirby Pingiaro, Bailey Caughey

- **8/9 Girls**
  - Isobella Murray, Mackenzie Dawson, Johlee Masters, Joyce Hussain

- **10 Year Boys**
  - Lachlan Clark, Daniel Stewart, Finn Cullenward, Andrew Darlow

- **10 Year Girls**
  - Jane Davies, Darci Masters, Katie Howard, Carrie-Anne Murray

- **11 Year Boys**
  - Ben Caughey, Adrian Pascoe, Reece Deacon, Daniel Nauer

- **11 Year Girls**
  - Janae Winzar, Lily Masters, Emily Gibson, Emma Jones

Permission notes have been issued and need to be returned to the front office by Tuesday 26th May.

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**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 Purss-Semple.

**Girls’ Soccer Team**

Our team is as follows; Maddi Deacon, Iona Cullenward, Darnelle Filmer, Shardia Hutchison, Charlee Masters, Delilah Crighton, Olivia Joyce, Emma Jones, Lanta Clark, Opal Woods, Janea Winzar, Zoe Books and Jacinta Cooper. The girls will play Edward Public in Deniliquin on 29th May.

**Boys’ Soccer Team**

Adrian Pascoe, Reece Deacon, Liam Hayward, James Millyard, Brait Headon, Herbie Maynard, Flynn Griffiths, Ronan Haines, Angus Gardiner, Codey Poole, Ben Caughey, Daniel Nauer and Tom Christensen. The boys play Edward Public in Deniliquin on a date to be announced.

**Leaguetag – Mortimer Shield**

Trials are currently being held for the girls’ Stage 3 Leaguetag team, under the supervision of Miss Burke.

**2 Hay FM**

Thanks to Kate Cox and Flynn Griffiths for confidently presenting our sports report last Friday at 2 Hay FM.

**Stage 3 Sport**

Stage 3 sport will focus on AFL this Friday, to select teams for the Mortimer Shield and Paul Kelly Cup to be held in Deniliquin on Monday 25th May.

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**Cross Country Champions**

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**Coming Events/ Sporting Dates**

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**FREE**
SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC
AT COMMUNITY HEALTH
PH: 1800 450 046 for an appointment

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**LUNCH LANE CANTEEN**
Friday Special Lunch

$5.00
Party Pies
Packet of Chips
Flavoured Milk

**Orders by Thursday please**

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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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**DONATION FOR CLOTHING POOL**
Donations of winter uniforms are urgently needed for our clothing pool. Families urgently require:
- navy jumpers
- blue shirts
- Tunics

Your donations will be greatly appreciated.

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**Children & Family Services**
The Family Support Service is a **FREE** service which provides a range of information and support for families with dependent children.

The program uses practical and proven skills to build families capacity to cope with difficult times such as separation, divorce, access, grief and loss, unemployment, financial hardship, parenting, family violence and sexual assault.

The Family Support Team provide assistance and support to families living in Deniliquin, Conargo, Jerilderie and Berrigan Shires.

If you would like to speak to a Family Worker please call 03 58905200

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**Variety Bash Helicopter Ride**
Congratulations to Jameson Sciffer! Jameson and his dad are the lucky winners of a ride in the Variety Bash helicopter on May 19th.

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**HAY PUBLIC SCHOOL**

**PAYMENTS COUPON**

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**

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