**Principal’s Report**

**Deniliquin District Carnival**

Congratulations to Deniliquin North Public School who was declared Deniliquin District swimming champion for 2016. Hay PS came in fourth overall and produced six representatives for the Regional Carnival next Monday, including Lara Bush, Jim Houston, Jack Headon, Lucy Shea, Ralph Robson and Chris McGuirk. Ralph Robson was also awarded equal Junior Boy Champion on the day. Well done! A very big thank you must go to Mrs Robyn Pearson who organises the district carnival every year. Mrs Pearson works tirelessly to ensure this carnival’s success and her efforts do not go unnoticed. She was ably assisted by members of staff, parents and community members. Well done to a great team and thank you to the P&C for providing refreshments to the officials, competitors and spectators.

**School Contributions**

Invoices have been issued for the general school contribution, subject fees, up-coming performances and Life Education. This year the voluntary school contribution is $30 to cover the cost of materials that are essential for each student’s learning such as exercise books, mini whiteboards, pencils, pens, paper, whiteboard markers, etc. A subject fee of $25 has also been set to cover the cost of practical lessons that students undertake. Performance fees cover the cost of visiting performances to the school with our first performance, Dinosaur Science, scheduled for 14th March. This small cost represents a great investment in your child’s education and ensures that all classrooms are adequately resourced. Thank you to all families who have paid their school fees to date. It is very much appreciated.

**School Attendance Policy**

I would like to inform parents and carers of the Department of Education’s School Attendance Policy around taking family holidays during school time. As part of the implementation of the National Standards for Student Attendance Data reporting, holidays taken by students outside of school vacation periods will now be included as absences. A Certificate of Exemption can no longer be granted for this purpose. Families are encouraged to holiday or travel during school vacations. If travel outside of school vacation periods is necessary, parents will need to make an appointment with the school principal for leave to be approved. If you have any questions regarding these procedures, please contact the school office.

**School Commitments**

Well done to our sports representatives who have been travelling away recently to attend sporting trials, carnivals or knockout competitions. At Hay Public School, we like to develop the whole child and participation in active and healthy activities is part of that. When students reach Stage 3, they are often away representing the school in extra curricula activities. If your child is absent from school on school business, please discuss with the class teacher ways in which they can keep up with any missed work.

Well done to our students who will participate in the No Greenslip Reward this Friday. Keep following our school rules and have a great week!

Carol Oataway
Principal
Parliament are again having their annual Easter Raffle. All families are kindly asked to donate eggs, chocolate, fluffy toys - all things Easter towards this bumper raffle. Donations can be left at the front office. All families have been issued with a book of tickets with each book containing 10 tickets to be sold for $1.00 per ticket.

Sold books may be returned to the front office.
This is usually a bumper raffle with many, many prizes to be won.
The raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on Wednesday 23rd March 2016 and funds raised go towards the Year 6 Farewell and gift.

DONATIONS MAY BE LEFT AT THE FRONT OFFICE

Year 6 Polo Shirts
Year 6 are currently in the process of selecting their design for their commemorative Year 6 T-shirt.
Payment will be required before students receive their shirt. This year the cost of the Year 6 Polo shirt will be $25.00, with the P&C generously subsidising the difference of $13 dollars per shirt. Payment may be made to the Yellow box in a clearly marked envelope or by direct credit.

Suzanne Murphy
Assistant Principal

YEAR 6 POLO SHIRT

Name: ________________________________

Class: ________________________________

Payment Enclosed: $ ________________

FREE HOMEWORK CLUB

When: Tuesdays, –3:15 to 4:30pm
Where: Hay Public School Library
Tutors: Mrs Ruth Headon & Mrs Anna Lilburne

WAITING LIST ONLY, ALL POSITIONS TAKEN
Please remember that this group assists children in areas they may find difficult. Students may not complete the entire homework sheet for the week.
Please complete at home if necessary.

FETE UNLIMITED RIDE PASSES

Pre-Purchase from front office to avoid the line up!

First Child $30, Second Child $25, $20 per child thereafter from the same family.

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Unlimited Ride Passes – enjoy the above attractions as often as you like.

First Child $30
Second Child from same family $25
Additional child thereafter from same family $20
**Sports News**

**District Swimming Trials**

Congratulations to all 35 children who competed in the District Carnival held in Hay last Thursday. All swam personal bests and slashed seconds from their entry times. In an extremely closely contested carnival, Deni North (73) was victorious. Then followed Deni South (67), Moama (39), Hay (34), Edward (27) and the smaller schools.

Many thanks to parents and community members who acted as timekeepers and to teachers Sherelle Shea, Kate Murphy and Sarah Houston who ensured another successful swimming event for Hay.

Special thanks to Carol Oataway and Judy Callaghan (recorders); Jane Griffiths, Chris Hayes and Kerry Barnes (referees); Bruce Barnes, Natalie Arandt, Linda Stewart and Leanne Congdon.

Thanks also to our P&C canteen, led by Kathryn Miller as well as teachers and parents who set up and to Shirly Hajek for maintaining such a fantastic facility.

**Individual champions were:-**

- Junior Girl - Milly Ross (Moama)
- Junior Boy - Ralph Robson (Hay)
- Jobe Shanahan (Moama)
- 11 Year Girl - Elena Mulham (Deni South)
- 11 Year Boy - Charlie Hillier (Deni South)
- Senior Girl - Chloe Paton (Deni South)
- Senior Boy - James Thomson (Deni South)

Congratulations and well done, Ralph. Elena Mulham broke the record in the 11 Year 50m butterfly with a time of 38.81 (2000 – Zoe Stratton 39.47)

**Riverina Swimming Carnival**

The Riverina Swimming Carnival will be held on Monday 7th March in Albury, commencing at 9.00am.

Six children qualified for this carnival, four in individual events.

- Lara Bush 2nd 8 Year 50m freestyle 57.08
- Lucy Shea 2nd Junior Girls backstroke 55.26
- Jim Houston 2nd 9 Year 50m freestyle 46.77
- Jack Headon 2nd 10 Year 50m freestyle 42.88

**Junior Boys Relay** - Jim Houston, Jack Headon, Ralph Robson and Christopher McGuirk – 1st-3.15.24

**NB: Relays follow the 50m freestyle events.**

Well done to SOTA Ryan Booth (four individual events) and Maddie Jones (butterfly) who have also qualified for this carnival, as well as the Booligal and SOTA relay teams.

Congratulations and good luck on Monday!

The NSWPSSA Championships will be held at Homebush on Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th April.

**District AFL Trials**

Congratulations to Adrian Pascoe, Tom Christensen, Jack Headon, Finn Cullenward, Daniel Stewart and Lachlan Clark who have been selected to attend the District AFL Trials next Wednesday 9th March, at Memorial Park.

**Boys’ Cricket Knockout**

Our boys’ cricket team defeated Deni North yesterday at the Edward River Oval. More details will be in next week’s Hay Happenings.
HAY PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN

Quality education in a caring environment

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Under New Management

Parents, grandparents and community members are encouraged and welcome to become helpers at the canteen. A couple of hours in the morning preparing sandwiches, BBQ etc would be most appreciated.

Please call the school for further details.

Hay Lions Under 14's Football Training
Training for Hay Lions Under 14's begins Thursday 3rd MARCH at 5pm at the Hay Park No 2 Oval.

Please bring your joggers, swimwear and a towel.

For further information call:
Peter Christensen 0423-204543

Friday Special Lunch

Spaghetti Bolognaise
Zooper Dooper
Bottle Water
$5.00

Orders by Thursday please

CHAIR BAGS - $15.00
SCHOOLBAGS - $50.00
ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE FRONT OFFICE

University of NSW International Competitions

Please complete the entry form and return it to the yellow box in the front office by Tuesday 30th March.

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED

Name: _______________________ Year______
Class: ___________________________________

Please tick

□ Digital Technologies - 17 May   $8.00
□ Science –31 May       $8.00
□ Spelling -15 June     $11.00
□ Writing –13-17 June   $17.00
□ English –2 Aug         $8.00
□ Mathematics –16 Aug     $8.00
□ All of the above       $60.00

TOTAL PAYMENT ENCLOSED: $___________

Direct Credit payments are accepted

BSB 032-001 Acc No 141581
Account Name: Hay Public School

Payment to yellow box in front office

or direct credit details

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