Principal’s Report
Mr David Simes the new Principal visited last Thursday, meeting staff and students, walking around the school, attending a morning tea and attending the afternoon assembly. I spoke to David at a Principal’s network meeting on Friday and he told me that his teenage children thought that his new school was really good. David and his wife Leanne were also pleased with their visit. We will meet towards the end of the term and complete a handover.

Congratulations to our Lachlan Swimming representatives who travelled to Dubbo on Friday. Royce and Abigail Simpson will travel to Sydney for the NSWPSSA Swimming Championships. This is a wonderful effort!! Mr Harris has included a sports report giving details of the carnival.

On Thursday parents and caregivers of our Aboriginal students will attend a Back to our Roots BBQ at Bushman’s Dam. Community members will also be attending.

Parent teacher interviews will be in progress this week. I strongly encourage you to attend these most valuable meetings.

Year 5 and 6 are invited to attend the Parkes High School Information Evening at 7.00pm on Thursday 28th March.

Have a great week!

Mrs Rosser - Relieving Principal

Last week’s P.B. Award Winner

Karlah Stubbs - 3/4D

• Has shown increased maturity and responsibility in the past year.
• Makes sensible decisions.
• Always volunteers answers.
• Works well independently.
• Is a reliable class member.
• Happy to complete additional activities.
• Starts every day with a smile.

School Photos
School photos will be taken on Thursday 20th March. Envelopes were sent home last week.

Family envelopes are available from the school office.
**Library News**

**Book Club**
Book club has been sent home to all families. Ordered are due back to school by Wednesday 19th March.

**Premiers Reading Challenge**
Keep Reading. It’s not too late to start, just get a reading record sheet from the library.

**Waste to Art**
Please send all bottle tops and containers to library this week.

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**Awards**

Congratulations to the children who were presented with Student of the Week Ribbons for their effort last week:
Brayden Gibson (KH), Mitchell Davies (KP), Bryce Reynolds (1M), Kaleb Gould (1/2C), Lily Smith (2DW), Connor Probert (3/4D), Kirra-Leigh Deagan (3/4M), Kelsey Hubbard (3/4OH), Jackson Dolbel (5/6E), Brad Pike (5/6H), Justin Mallison (Mrs Butler), Justin Ellis (Miss Gilbert), Dustin Ticehurst (Mr Dumesny), Shakira Willis (Mrs Dean), Piper Clohessy (Mrs Fisher), Mackenzie Pabis (Mrs Norton), Lara Bennett (Mrs O’Donnell) and Holly Chalmers (Mrs Standen). **Well Done!!**

**Merit Certificates**

**Handwriting**

**Infants Sports**
Bellah Hewett

**Primary Sports**
Cory Baker

**Assembly Item**
3/4OH - Mrs Orr & Mrs Holmes

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**PBL Student on Target**

**Riley McMaster** - Riley is a fine young man, who kindly offered to get his teacher a chair to sit on, as she worked with a small group of children on the floor. This was a wonderfully mature and responsible attitude, from a respectful and polite Year 1 student. Your parents should be very proud

**PBL**

**Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)**
Show Respect, Be Responsible, Have a Positive Attitude

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**Toys**

Toys are not to be brought to school unless the toy is for news and kept in your child’s school bag. Thank you

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**Reminder**

Wraps are available on Tuesday and Hot Dogs are available on Thursday.

**New Canteen Roster**
The current canteen roster will continue until the end of the year. We are in need of more volunteers and ask you to if assist during the year if at all possible. If you are currently on the roster and DO NOT wish to continue please let Barb in the canteen know. If you are interested in working in the canteen please let Barb know on 6862 1999 (school) or 6862 1761 (home).

**Laybys Welcome**
Laybys are welcome for the purchase of winter uniforms.

*Mrs B Osborne - Canteen Manager*
**Sport**

**Primary Swimming**
Swimming in on Wednesday. Please remember your swimmers and towel. Cost $5.00, students with a season ticket cost is $3.00.

**Tennis**
On Thursday our MPS Tennis team take on Parkes Public School in round one of the PSSA knockout. Team members are Ethan Hoswell, Joshua Winter, Alex Williams and Jessica Jones. Good luck and have fun.

*Mrs Standen*

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**Western Swimming**
Last Friday a group of Middleton students represented the Lachlan District at the PSSA Swimming carnival in Dubbo. The students all swam well in each of their events with many doing PB’s on the day. Congratulations to Abigail and Royce Simpson who both made it to the PSSA State carnival being held at the Homebush Aquatic Centre in Week 11.

- Abigail gained 1<sup>st</sup> place in 50metre Freestyle, 50 metre Backstroke and 50 metre Butterfly and gained second place in the 50 metre Breaststroke.
- Royce gained 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the 50metre Backstroke and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the 50metre Butterfly.

Congratulations to Abigail Simpson who also broke a long standing Western record in the 50metres butterfly on the day. **An awesome effort!!** We wish these two students success at the next level.

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**MIDDLETON P&C**

**BINGO**

Community Bingo Night
Friday 4th April 2014

The evening will commence with a BBQ and activities followed by an evening of Bingo. There will be loads of great prizes and vouchers to be won!

This is a whole family event. Please feel free to invite relatives, friends and neighbours.
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### Sports Taping courses in Forbes
Sports taping is an important skill for coaches, trainers, teachers, parents and players involved in sport. Correct sports taping can help prevent injury and also help with injury rehabilitation. Level 1 covers beginner technical and practical advice of taping including wrists, ankles, fingers and thumbs. Level 2 covers advanced techniques for the shoulder, elbow, wrist, Achilles tendon, knee, shin and soft tissue techniques - hamstrings and quadriceps.

Participants receive a certificate of attainment upon successful completion of the course. Call Sport and Recreation on 6362 6623 for more info or visit [www.dsr.nsw.gov.au](http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au)

Level 1: 6.00pm - 9.00pm 24th March  
Level 2: 6.00pm - 9.00pm 25th March  
$60 each

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### HEAD LICE
Please continue to check your child’s hair daily as there have been a number of students absent with head lice.

**TIPS**
- Using a long tooth metal comb is the best way to remove lice eggs from the scalp.
- It is usually advised to treat for head lice a week apart to kill any remaining lice eggs that would have hatched.
- It is important to be thorough when treating for head lice. Miss one and soon you will have an infestation again!
- Plaiting or braiding girls’ hair as this can make it difficult for head lice to attach themselves to the bottom of the hair strand.

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There have been a number of cases of students with head lice in Years 5 and 6