From the Principal’s Desk
Semester 2 reports were sent home with students today. You will notice that they are a new format and may require some fine tuning. While much of the new report has been developed according to Department guidelines, I would appreciate your feedback. This can be done by emailing the school or simply dropping in to see me. Additionally if you would like to discuss your child’s report please make an appointment to see the class teacher or stage supervisor. Teachers have worked very hard to ensure the reports are professional, meaningful and of a high standard.
This is the last week for PSSA sport – congratulations to our students who have been fine ambassadors for our school.
We are busy at present finalising classes for 2016. A lot of time and thought goes into this process and accommodating the diverse needs of our student population is our prime concern. A letter will be sent home shortly notifying you of your child’s proposed class and teacher for 2016.
Don’t forget our Presentation Day and Year 6 Farewell next Tuesday.
Have a great week!

Debbie Pritchard
Principal

Awards Closed for 2015
Processing of awards for students in Kinder to Year 5 has closed for the year. Students who bring in awards will be asked to take them home and bring them back to school early in 2016. Year 6 students should bring their awards to school this week so they can be processed and presented before school finishes.

Year 6 Farewell
The Year 6 Farewell will be held next Tuesday evening at Dubbo RSL Club.
The program will be as follows:
- 5.00 to 6.00 Photos in Theatrette foyer.
- 6.00 to 7.00 Presentations in Theatrette.
- 7.00 to 9.00 Dinner and disco in Auditorium.

Parents are invited to stay for photos and presentation. Parents are asked to please be on time to collect their child at the conclusion of the evening.

Presentation Day
Presentation Day will be held on Tuesday 8 December at 10am at the Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre. Everyone is welcome to attend the presentation to help celebrate the achievements of our students.

Assemblies – Change of Time
Please note the change of time for the K-2 assembly for this week to 2.45pm on Thursday. The 3-6 assembly will be held on Friday at 2.10pm.

Canteen Chatter
Wacky Wednesday for next week is Pizza Day. Ham and Pineapple, Cheese or Meat Lovers pizza with a popper or water for $5.50. Pizza Day will only be on Wednesday next week. All orders must be placed by 11am Monday morning. No late orders will be taken. The canteen will be running down stock next week. Some items will not be available.

VALID Science and Technology 6 Pilot Test.
The Learning, High Performance & Accountability Directorate of the Department of Education is developing an online multimedia interactive assessment in Science and Technology for Year 6 students. This new assessment is part of ongoing work to expand available resources for assessing a broader range of student learning. The test, based on the model of the current Essential Secondary Science Assessment program for Year 8, will provide teachers, schools and parents with diagnostic information about student achievement and their levels of understanding. The VALID Science & Technology 6 test will also assist teachers in planning and programming for the new K-6 Science & Technology syllabus.
As part of the program’s development, our Year 6 students participated in the pilot of this new assessment. They completed a one hour online Science and Technology test which had videos, audio and graphics during weeks 4 and 5. Our teachers then completed online professional learning prior to marking the responses from our students. The results are expected in early December.

Dates for Diary
- December 2: Christmas Carols
- December 2: Reports going home
- December 3: Year 6 High School Orientation Day
- December 8: Presentation and Year 6 Farewell
Christmas Carols are on tonight.

BBQ from 5.30pm
Performances starting at 7pm.

Bring a chair or picnic rug.

Come along and enjoy a relaxing night with your family.