From the Principal’s Desk
Semester 1 reports will be sent home with students this Thursday. Please take the time to discuss your child’s achievements and any areas for improvement. Three Way conferences will be held next week and provide parents with an opportunity to catch up with class teachers to discuss this semester’s achievements and set targets for the next. Please return your request for a three-way conference as soon as possible. This is the last week for PSSA sport – congratulations to our students who have been fine ambassadors for our school. Next term a leisure sport program will operate for stages 2 and 3. Included in this week’s newsletter is some information on the impact on learning when students miss school. Some of the statistics may surprise you. Hope you enjoyed the rain?

Debbie Pritchard
Principal

Morning Supervision
A number of students have been arriving at school before 8.30 am. There is no supervision at this time. Please do not drop children off at school before 8.30 am. Your child’s safety and wellbeing is our prime concern. The school gates will be opened when the first bus arrives. Students who arrive before 9.00 am are asked to sit under the COLA until the playtime bell goes at 8.55 am.

Three Way Conferences
Notes for Three Way Conferences have been sent home this week. If you have not already done so, please indicate your 3 preferred conference times on the sheet and return it to your child’s class teacher as soon as possible. Again this year parents have been given the option of using the last 5 minutes of the conference for a one-on-one meeting with the teacher. If you would like to take this option, please check the option box on your conference time preference sheet.

Dates for conferences are as follows:
- Monday 22 June  Kindergarten
- Tuesday 23 June  Stage 3, K6B
- Wednesday 24 June  Stage 1
- Thursday 25 June  4G and 3/6M

30 and 3W are split between Tuesday and Thursday. 3/4L conferences will be held early next term as Mrs. Lawes is on leave next week.

Eisteddfod News
Dubbo Public School Band performed at the Dubbo City Eisteddfod last week. The band was up against some very strong competition from 14 other school bands and performed very well. Congratulations to all band members on their performance.

Library News
Premier’s Reading Challenge
Congratulations to Isabel Marchant for completing the Reading Challenge this week. Lots of other students are now very close to being finished. Please see Mrs Neville if you need help finding books. We have hundreds of the PRC books in our library, including some great new series. Students taking part may borrow extra books for the holidays if they would like.

Overdue Books
With the end of term approaching it’s time to return overdue books. Notes will be sent home this week. These are reminders, not requests for payment. Please contact Mrs Neville if there are any problems.

Sports News
Western Region Cross Country
Congratulations to Jai Reeves who competed in the Western Cross Country Carnival last week. Jai ran a great race in a very strong field.

Senior Boys’ Knockout Rugby League
On Thursday June 11, the Senior Boys Knockout Rugby League team played Narrumine Public School at the Riverside Oval, Narrumine. Both teams played hard but unfortunately we lost. It was a hard game. The final score was 34 – 24. The team would like to thank Mrs Walters, our coach, Bob Gordon, the team medic Mr Ferrari, and the parents who helped with transport. By Liam Deaves and Jaiden Melville.

Dates for Diary
- June 18  Reports go home
- June 18  Infants Assembly 12.45pm COLA
- June 19  Primary Assembly 2.10pm COLA
- June 22 – 25  Three Way Conferences
- June 25  K – 6 Assembly
- June 26  Last day of term
- July 14  First day of Term 3
EVERY DAY COUNTS....
A day here or there doesn’t seem like much, but...

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Give your child every chance to succeed...

Every day counts!

PSSA State Hockey
Last week I travelled to Newcastle to represent the Western Region at State Championships. It was hard work making the team but all the effort paid off. Having a chance to go to a State Carnival was amazing. We played seven games. We won four and lost three. Overall, we ended up seventh out of twelve teams. I enjoyed the experience and made lots of friends and enjoyed spending the time with my family and fellow team mates. By Alexei Pawlenko

PSSA State Soccer
I was selected to travel to Camden in Sydney for the Western NSW Soccer Team that participated in the State Carnival. I was the captain of the team. We all tried our best all day even when we were down 5 – nil. We broke a five year Western record by scoring the most goals and I bagged one of them myself. At the end of the Carnival I was rewarded with a medallion for leadership. Overall it was a great week and I had a ton of fun. By Kate Duffy.

K-6 Assembly
There will be a full school assembly next week at the RSL Auditorium starting at 12pm. KB and KG will be performing an item. All parents and carers are welcome to attend.

Canteen Chatter
Wacky Wednesday for next week is Italiano Day; pizza (ham and pineapple, cheese, or meat lovers) plus a popper for $5.50. Wacky Wednesday will be split over 2 days next week; infants will be on Wednesday and primary on Thursday. Orders need to be in to canteen by Monday 111am. Donation drive is still going; keep sending in the foil, plastic teaspoons, plastic straws and muffin cases. Thank you for your support of our canteen.

Community News
Macquarie Regional Library School Holiday Activities
There’s Snow Place like the Library these holidays for frosty holiday fun. Join in a Penguin Parade or Lego Animation with activities for 5-12 years. Bookings are essential and open on Monday 15th June. More information can be found on www.mrl.nsw.gov.au
ComicsCRAFT is a fun comics weekend on Friday 10 and Saturday 11 July. ComicsCRAFT has something for everyone 9 years and over – professional comics artists/writers/publishers will present interactive workshops and talks for 9-adult – something for the whole family. Check out all the details and book online at http://www.mrl.nsw.gov.au. Bookings ComicsCRAFT are essential and are now open.