**Diary Dates**

**Friday 26 June**
Last day of Term 2

**Tuesday 14 July**
Students return Term 3
P & C Meeting – 7.00

**Friday 17 July**
Little Gems commences
Assembly – 11.50 – SRC Assembly
PSSA Winter sport continues

**NAIDOC Day**
Students and staff enjoyed a fantastic NAIDOC celebration held today. The celebrations started with the Welcome to Country. Throughout the day students learnt about different features of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait culture through songs, dance, stories and games. Students also enjoyed making and eating Johnny Cakes.

I would like to say a special thank you to Beaumont Tiles and National Tiles for donating and supplying tiles at a reduced rate for our mosaic activities.

**Rewards Day – Flip Out**
I would like to acknowledge the outstanding behaviour displayed by students in the last five weeks of the school term. We had a very positive end to the term with 97% of students attending Flip Out. Students and staff were very excited to attend Flip Out with children bouncing high with excitement.

**Little Gems**
Albury West Public School will be running our transition class, ‘Little Gems’, on a Friday during Terms 3 and 4. Little Gems will run from 9.00am – 1.00pm in room 5. This wonderful program provides future AWPS students with a positive start to life at ‘big school’. Mrs Rebecca Bourke and Mrs Carlene Webb will be involved in the running of Little Gems.

**Learning Journeys – Save the Date**
We are looking forward to Learning Journeys coming up next term during Education Week. Learning Journeys allow your child the opportunity to take ownership of their learning and provide them with an opportunity to share what and how they are learning with others. All parents are asked to save this date to come and share in the successes of their child’s learning. It would be great for all of our students to have someone come along and share in the learning that has taken place, to hear about what students have been doing in class and to provide them with an opportunity to put their learning into words.

**Education Week Learning Journeys**
Week 3- Wednesday 29th July
10:00am-11am
All parents/carers/grand parents and friends,
You are invited to our Learning Journey. During this time your child shows you, and talks to you about their learning.
Together we can celebrate Learning at Albury West Public School.
Please join us for this special day.
You will receive an invitation from your child next term.

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End of term
I take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and safe holiday. We look forward to seeing you back next term.

Next term school returns for students on **Tuesday 14 July**. Staff will be attending professional learning focussed on professional teacher judgement utilising the literacy continuum on the Monday. All activities will support your child’s learning.

Term 3 promises to be a very productive term with many opportunities available to parents and carers to visit our school to see firsthand the wonderful things that are happening within our school. Education Week will be held during Week 3 with a variety of activities and events being planned. Later on in the term we will have our annual Book Week Parade, and a LAPATHON. Of course we are also very excited by our Big Assembly which will take place on the 4th September. So plenty to see and do in Term 3.

**Book Week Parade**
Next term we celebrate our favourite time in the library – Book Week!

This year’s theme is “Books light up our world.” On the 20th August we will be holding a book week parade, so I thought I would give you early notice, so the kids can have a think about what costume they would like to wear. The costumes do not need to be hired or expensive. It would be a great holiday activity for the kids to make an outfit to wear – maybe recycle something. Have fun! We look forward to seeing some creative costumes!

**Term 3 happenings**
I will be taking long service leave during Term 3. I will be away from 30th July through to 7th September. Mr John Beattie will be the relieving principal in my absence. Mr John Boyd will take 5/6B during this time.

**Farewell**
We say farewell to one of the team this week. Mrs Dougherty, our school cleaner, will hang up the mop and put away the vacuum cleaner for the last time tomorrow as she moves into the next chapter of her life – retirement. We wish her and her husband all the best as they begin their new journey, travelling around Australia for a few months, and into the future.

*Sharon Julien*
Principal

**SCHOOL ASSEMBLY AWARDS**
Congratulations to the following award winners:-

**Student of the Week**
Maverick Parker
Charlotte Horn

**Gotcha Awards**
Amelia Stevens
Lachlan Lambert
Jymie Rainsford

**Merit Certificates**

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**Tidy Bee**

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**How to Learn Awards**
Shakiah Willis, Douglas Baxter, Arifa Rizvi, Tahleah Carter, Samson Delaveris, Vincent Banks, Keaton Beechey, Hayley Clark, Callum Smith, Maverick Parker, Rory Manley, Pacey Maher.

**SOCCER NEWS**

**Round Two  12th June**
The junior team had another strong victory this week. We defeated the combined small schools by a score of 6-0. Rory and Damon scored 3 goals each.

We need to practise keeping in our positions more consistently as at times we had too many people wanting to score goals and not enough people staying back in defensive positions.

Jacob and Michael played their positional roles very well.

The senior team had their first win of the season defeating the combined small schools by a score of 3 – 0. Jordyn scored two goals and Praveen scored one.

Our positional play was much better this week and the defensive efforts by Aidan and Logan J was good. Izihaa and Praveen also played well.

**Canteen News**
The first Wednesday Warmers for next term will be:-

**July 15** – Chicken Pattie Burger & Juice Box - $4.00

**Canteen Changes**
Don’t forget that the canteen is now closed on Monday and Tuesday.

This means that the canteen will only be open on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. The Wednesday Warmer and Thursday Ripper Recess specials will continue.

Your continued support of our canteen is greatly appreciated. More volunteer help is requested - even if you can only spare the time to help serve at recess on occasions this would be gratefully accepted. Please feel free to come along to Canteen sub-Committee meetings and have your say on how the canteen is run. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday August 11 at 2.00pm in the staffroom. You do not have to attend general P&C meetings in order to be part of the sub-Committee.

Thank you - Canteen sub-Committee

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Rewards Day Bowling at Twin City Bowl

School Holiday Programs at Library Museum

Check out all the great school holiday activities at the website http://www.alburycity.nsw.gov.au/whats-on/libraries/warm-up-winter-school-holidays-programs

Bandits Basketball Camps

To register please go to the following website: http://www.gobandits.net/camps.html and click on the ‘Albury’ link.

Flyaway Gymnastics Holiday Programs.
Flyaway Gymnastics is offering school holiday programs in both Albury and Wodonga, running in both weeks of the holidays. Two hour structured gymnastics program for children aged 5-12 years. Children learn to balance, roll, flip and twist. We are also offering trampoline and dance gym workshops which give children aged 5 - 16 years a great introduction to this sport. Bookings essential, please call (02) 6041 1127 or visit www.flyawaygymnastics.com.au

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**FREE KIDS COMEDY SHOW**
These school holidays, comedian Sean Murphy is performing *Kids' Party Confidential* for free! The show was nominated as a highlight of the 2014 Sydney Fringe Festival and will be in town for two shows on Monday, June 29th at Lavington Library (11:30 AM) and Albury LibraryMuseum (2:30 PM). To book, please contact 02 6023 8349 or learningoutreach@alburycity.nsw.gov.au with your preferred location and number of tickets. Booking is free, with optional gold coin donation on the day. Suitable for adults, teens and children aged 5+.

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Albury Apex is holding a trivia night fundraiser on July 10th. We are raising funds for our project in Cambodia this September. We are working to improve the facilities at the Battambang Ophthalmic Care (BOC) hospital in Battambang province, and to help repair and improve the 'Dump School' in Phnom Penh and the 'Floating School' in Battambang Province. [https://chuffed.org/project/apex–cambodia-15](https://chuffed.org/project/apex–cambodia-15)

Friday, 10th of July, 7:30pm start at CWA Hall, 561 Kiewa Street, Albury. $10 per head

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**AFL Holiday Camp – Albury**
Friday July 3rd 10am – 3pm
At Alexandra Park (North Street East Albury)
$50 includes – morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and footy pack.
Register: jack.bradley@aflnswact.com.au
CREATING CALM WITH ROUTINES AND RESPONSIBILITY

Do the weeks seem to be getting busier? Getting everyone out the door in the morning, meal preparation, washing, ironing, keeping the house clean, taking the bins out, going to work, doing readers with the kids, helping with homework, mowing the lawns, visiting friends, playing with the kids, relaxation time – there’s always so much to do, and so little time. What’s the secret to getting it all done, and keeping your sanity? Routines and shared responsibility.

Family life is often more chaotic with some sort of routine, but there’s more to it than that. Routines also let your children know what’s important to your family. Highly meaningful routines are sometimes called rituals. These can help strengthen your shared beliefs and values, and build a sense of belonging and cohesion in families.

Routines and responsibilities help to share the load of running a household, and teach children that they are valuable contributors to a family. Instilling good habits that focus on helping each other out (sometimes without reward) can lead to mature and responsible young adults who also contribute to society.

In our house, each person has set jobs. The kids are responsible for their own breakfast and bedtime routines, the animals, and the bins. They do not get any pocket money for completing these jobs because they are “for the good of the household”. Other jobs are on offer and these have a monetary reward, although only one of my children is motivated by money (more on finding your child’s “currency” next week).

For young children, they will often need some form of visual chart or board to remind them of their jobs (and it saves on the nagging too). Some kids will require a visual board for many years before they are competent enough to remember all their jobs, and that’s ok.

Routines take some effort to create. But once established, they have lots of benefits:

- They free up time for you to think about other things while you work.
- Regular and consistent routines can help you feel like you’re doing a good job as a parent.
- When things are hectic, routines can help you feel more organised, which lowers stress.
- A routine will help you complete your daily tasks efficiently.
- As children get better at following a routine by themselves, you can give fewer instructions and nag less.
- Routines free you from having to constantly resolve disputes and make decisions. If Sunday night is pizza night, no-one needs to argue about what’s for dinner.

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