Welcome to Week 9 where I’m certain there were many thrilled dads on Sunday when they opened gifts lovingly made in classrooms and carefully selected at our P&C run Fathers’ Day Stall. A huge thank you goes to the parents who volunteered their time on Tuesday to run this annual stall.

**Kinderstart**
What a success our first session was last Thursday! Over 40 excited “almost Kinders” enjoyed some preparation for “big school” activities with Mrs Quince and Mrs Goldstein for an hour whilst mums and dads had coffee and cake in the Library to meet each other and ask some questions. We look forward to seeing these children back again this Thursday. Parents may stay with their child if they wish or take up our offer of free child-minding for the hour.

**Gala Day**
Last Friday was our last Gala Day for this year and I had the pleasure of visiting the netball girls this time and watched some of both the junior and senior teams’ games. It is always such a pleasure seeing our students display such great sportsmanship when they play other schools whether they win or lose. Well done to all!

**Father’s Day breakfast**
Once again our local Rosemeadow Anglican Church provided an impressive breakfast last Thursday morning for our dads, grandads and students to celebrate the fathers in our community. We took many happy snaps of our families that you can view on our school website.

**Taronga ZooSnooZ Excursion**
The excitement is building for our Stage 2 students as they prepare for our excursion this Wednesday and Thursday to The Rocks historic area of Sydney, our walk across the Harbour Bridge to North Sydney and then our overnight activities at Taronga Zoo.
Excursions provide so many learning opportunities for life skills for our students such as being in the right place at the right time, looking after their own belongings, cleaning up after themselves, buttering their own toast, pouring their own juice and milk, doing their own hair and dressing themselves appropriately for the day. It might be a good idea for parents to please practise rolling up the sleeping bag a couple of times with their child before Wednesday.

**Dates to Remember:**
School times changing from Tuesday 6th October: 9am to 3pm (Please set your alarm clocks!!)

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**Education Week survey results**
As you know, parents were surveyed earlier this term on Open and Grandparents’ Day about our school. The second question we asked was “What do you think we do best?”
Some of the popular responses focused on the following themes:
- Care for students
- Communication
- Quality of teaching in classrooms
- Respect
- Catering for individual needs and valuing the individual student
- Happy friendly environment
- Encouragement and praise
- Positive atmosphere

**Evacuation Drill**
Don’t be alarmed if you hear sirens at school this week. We will be practising our safety drills at some stage.
Student Achievements
Congratulations to Cooper, Emily, Nevaeh, Joshua, Lucas and Kye who are some super writers in Dardanelles class. Well done to Alexis, Amanda, RJ, Jack, Samuel, Amylia, Georgie, Starleah and Jett who are this week’s Lone Pine Mathletics stars. Well done to all of our Years 3-6 students who participated in Gala Days this year. You have been wonderful ambassadors for our school and always participate with enthusiasm and are supportive of your team’s efforts.

Zone Athletics carnival
Wow! What a carnival! Our small school has won the Zone Carnival outright and also had the most successful girls’ and boys’ teams. In many of the finals of running races Appin had two students competing and these races were certainly nail-biting events for the spectators. Way to go Team Appin and good luck to those representing our Zone this Wednesday at the Regional Carnival at Campbelltown Stadium.
We have been advised that parking for spectators and competitors families is via the Airds Road Carpark which is situated on the western side of the Campbelltown Athletic Centre and main railway line. There is a short walk across an overhead rail bridge which takes spectators directly to the Athletic Centre entrance. There will be no parking available from the Pembroke Rd entry.

Stamp Chart Superstars!
Congratulations to the following students with completed stamp charts:
Canakkale: Angus, Ethan, Elyse, Charlotte, Wiloe, Jayden, Logan, Braidyn, Ashton
Hamilton: Jemma, Tiffany, Cooper, Jordan, Ollie, Finn
Throssell: Seth, Kyle

Keep up the fantastic efforts!
Workers in our Community Day
Last Friday our Stage One students dressed up as their favourite occupation to celebrate the learning they have been doing about people who work in our community. There were many teachers (so we must be doing something right!), a lot of science based workers and a lot of workers in high visibility vests. They proudly paraded for our other students at our Friday lunch time assembly.

P&C News!!!
Annual Shopping Trip:
Date: Sat 24th October
Time: 7am until approx 6pm
Cost: $55, due by 18/9/15. Includes morning/afternoon tea and lunch.
Seats: 45 (24 seats already filled)
We will be visiting more than 10 outlets on the day. Cash payments can be left at the office or with Sandra Hale. Eftpos payments can be made Friday mornings in the uniform shop with a $2 surcharge applicable.
There is more detailed information on the notice board outside the Kindergarten rooms or by contacting Melissa Lovelee on 0420662396.
A fun day out while raising much needed funds for our school.

Gentle Fees Reminder
Stage 2 Zoo Camp - $150
Stage 3 Canberra Camp - $295
Southern Stars Costume and Transport Fee - $132
CAPA Levy for Band and Senior Dance Group - $20 each term (Total of $80)
Band Instrument Hire - $100 for the year (For those students hiring a school instrument)
Photocopy Levy - $20 per student for the year
Software Levy - $20 per student for the year
Voluntary School Contribution - $40 per child or $70 per family for the year
Please ensure that all fees are paid before their individual due dates. Financial assistance may be arranged. Please contact Mrs Harrison if required. All fees must be paid before 30th November, as this is the ‘end of financial year’ for schools. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2015
This Sacrament will be celebrated on Sunday 15th and Sunday 22nd November, 2015. It is available to all children in Year 3 or above who have been baptised and have received the sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). If you wish your child to make this Sacrament and did not come to the enrolment night last year you MUST attend the first lesson for this programme on Saturday 10th October, 2015 commencing at 4.15p.m. You must bring a copy of your child’s Baptism and Birth certificate with you to attach to the enrolment form. Children will participate in lessons within the Parish School classrooms whilst parents will meet with Father in the Parish Meeting Room. This is the last opportunity for you to enrol for 2015. NOTE: If you will be enrolling at the first lesson, then please arrive at 3.45pm to the Parish Meeting Room before the lesson to complete the paperwork. The program fee of $25 is also payable at the first lesson. Thank you.
Father Christopher Sarkis - Rosemeadow Parish Priest

Uniform Shop
Uniform price list and order forms have been updated and uploaded to the school website and Skoolbag App. As of Term 4 there will be a price increase on Sport Shorts and Lemon Blouses as requested by the supplier. The new price for both items will be $15. The Uniform Shop is open each Friday morning from 9am to 10am.
Student of the Week
Dardanelles – Emily Lorenz
Tucker – Ella Brady
Lemnos – Grace King
Canakkale – Justin Lovelee
Hamilton – Tiffany Woodroof
Throssell – Paige Ross
Flanders Fields – Elisha Hampson
Lone Pine – Tanahlia Goddard
Burton – Emma Beaton
Western Front – Olivia Stonebridge

Gold: Tahn Mansfield
Silver: Alana Kitson, Emma Clissold, Angus Richards, Matilda Peer, Ellie Hodges, Tahn Mansfield
Bronze: Emma Clissold, Ellie Hodges, Amy Hale, Tahn Mansfield, Cody Crane, Amylia McKenzie, Leah Kelly, Lucy Wicken, Matilda Peer, Zac Thompson, Charlotte Withers, Cherysh Flexman

Gala Day Results
Congratulations to all our Gala Day teams on a wonderful effort last Friday. Many thanks to all the parents who came along to support the teams. It’s fabulous to have such a great band of supporters on the day. Thank you once again to the students from Ambarvale High School and John Therry Catholic High School who assisted with umpiring and refereeing on the day.

Soccer:
Game 1  Appin v Woodlands Road A  Juniors won 9-0  Seniors won 7-0
Game 2  Appin v Woodlands Road B  Juniors won 11-1  Seniors won 12-0
Game 3  Appin v Ambarvale  Juniors won 2-0  Seniors drew 1-1

Touch Football:
Game 1  Appin Yellow v Brad A  Juniors lost 4-1  Seniors won 3-0
Game 2  Appin Yellow v Appin Green  Juniors won 3-2  Seniors lost 2-3
Game 3  Appin Yellow v Ambarvale A  Juniors lost 2-0  Seniors lost 6-1
Game 1  Appin Green v Ambarvale A  Juniors drew 2-2  Seniors lost 2-1
Game 2  Appin Green v Appin Yellow  Juniors lost 2-3  Seniors won 3-2
Game 3  Appin Green v Ambarvale B  Juniors lost 3-2  Seniors won 5-1

Netball:
Game 1  Appin A v Ruse  Juniors lost 1-5  Seniors lost 25-3
Game 2  Appin A v Thomas Acres  Juniors lost 6-0  Seniors drew 2-2
Game 3  Appin A v Campbelltown  Juniors lost 7-0  Seniors lost 2-6
Game 1  Appin B v Thomas Acres  Juniors won 4-1  Seniors won 5-0
Game 2  Appin B v Bradbury  Juniors won 10-0  Seniors won 3-1
Game 3  Appin B v Ambarvale  Not played