Dear Friends

Welcome to Term 2. Hopefully the Easter break allowed you to spend some quality time with family and recharge the batteries in readiness for another busy term. This term activities include Anzac Day, Christian Living Camp for Year 6, Yeoval Show, NAPLAN for Years 3 & 5, Parent Teacher Interviews, CWA Public Speaking, St Columba’s Day and of course plenty of learning and teaching.

We are now in the liturgical season of Easter. The Easter season lasts 50 days until Pentecost Sunday, the birthday of the church and that special time when the Holy Spirit appeared to the disciples.

Lord Jesus, Easter is the time when we remember your promise to bring us new life now and everlasting life in time to come. May our celebration of this feast fill us with confidence and hope, a hope that will comfort and encourage us now here on earth and inspire us to look towards future glory with you in heaven. Amen.

ANZAC Day
As you are aware 100 Years of ANZAC will be commemorated this coming Saturday. All students are strongly encouraged to March on the day. Students will need to wear their Winter uniform for the March and be assembled at the Yeoval Central School entrance (King Street) by 10.40am.

Between 2014 and 2018 Australia will commemorate the Anzac Centenary, marking 100 years since our nation’s involvement in the First World War. During the Anzac Centenary we will remember not only the original ANZACs who served at Gallipoli and the Western Front, but commemorate more than a century of service by Australian servicemen and women.

God of love and liberty, 
we bring our thanks today for the peace and security we enjoy.
We remember those who in time of war
faithfully served their country.
We pray for their families,
and for ourselves whose freedom was won at such a cost.
Make us a people zealous for peace,
and hasten the day
when nation shall not lift up sword against nation
neither learn war any more.
This we pray in the name of the one who gave his life
for the sake of the world:
Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.
CWA Public Speaking Contest
All Primary students will present their CWA Speeches to the school next Monday morning from 9am in the school library. The teachers will then select one student from each year group to compete in the CWA Public Speaking Contest in Orange on Tuesday 26th May. Parents are welcome to attend the speeches next Monday morning.

Birthdays – Annabelle Englert (12) 21/4/2015

School Photos
Advanced Photography has asked if we could change our photo day to Monday 4th May (Week 3). All students will need to be in full Winter Uniform on this day. Please remember to send in order forms with payment by Monday 4th May if you haven’t done so. Please contact the school ASAP if you have misplaced your order form.

Winter Uniform
Some students have begun wearing their full Winter Uniform which looks very smart. Students will need to be in Winter Uniform from next Monday.

Christian Living Camp
Our Year 6 Students and I will join with the Year 6 Students and their teachers from the Catholic Schools in Blayney, Canowindra, Eugowra, Manildra & Molong for the Annual Christian Living Camp which will be held at “Ridgecrest” Lake Burrendong next Tuesday 28th – Thursday 30th April. There will be approximately 50 students and 7 teachers attending.

NAPLAN (National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy)
All Students in Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 in all schools across Australia will participate in the NAPLAN Assessments Week 4 of this term.
Tuesday 12th May – Writing & Language Conventions
Wednesday 14th May – Reading
Thursday 15th May – Numeracy

Mothers’ Day Stall
We will be having our Mothers’ Day Stall at school on Friday 8th May. Each year we ask families to donate small gifts for the students to purchase. It would be greatly appreciated if all donations could be sent in by Thursday 7th May. Gifts will be priced from 50 cents to $5.00. Your support and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Parent/Teacher Interviews
Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held on Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th & Thursday 14th May (Week 4). If you would like an interview please complete the form attached and return it to school by next Monday 4th May. Every endeavour will be made to give you the time you request. Your interview time will be confirmed by Friday 8th May.

Homework Activities
Both Infants and Primary have begun homework activities for the term. You are reminded that homework consists of nightly reading and spelling activities. Students then select an extra activity to complete from the homework grid each week. It is hoped that each activity on the grid is completed by the end of term. Completed homework is to be brought in to school each Friday for the teachers to mark. Please remember to sign your child’s home reading record book so that they can receive their awards for nights read.

Primary News
Here we are in Term 2 and in Primary we have already hit the rocket boosters. All students are to be commended for their interest and enthusiasm in researching a local ANZAC soldier. Their projects are looking marvellous. In Science and Technology we will get switched on with electricity while in HSIE/History we will go exploring in Australia’s National Parks. Stay tuned for more! Mr & Mrs Brown

Junior Joeys
Thank you to all for supporting our school canteen. Last term we raised a total of $300 towards school supplies for the local school in Vanuatu. A Fantastic Effort! Lunch order forms for weeks 1 & 2 went home with students yesterday. It would be appreciated if orders for week 1 could be returned by tomorrow (Thursday).
P&F Meeting – 6pm Monday 11th May in the School Library

Easter Raffle
Many thanks to all for supporting the Easter Raffle last term. We were able to draw 13 fantastic prizes and $_____ was raised!

The lucky winners were:

1st prize – Lisa Harvey
2nd prize – Molly Arthur
3rd prize – Gail Curtis
4th prize – Edward Hunter
5th prize – Jorja Lees
6th prize – Mick & Mon Antrobus
7th prize – Marion Dent
8th prize – Barry Woodhouse
9th prize – Englert Family
10th prize – Angell Family
11th prize – Brodhie Crain
12th prize – Kiel Family
13th prize – Clancy Judd

School Fees
The second instalment of 2015 School Fees are attached to today’s newsletter. Please contact me at school if you wish to discuss any aspect of the fees or methods of payment.

Kind regards

Glen Brown
Principal