

Billabong Highlights

Term 4 Week 7

Monday 17 November 2014



Congratulations:

**Alyce Parker &
Emma Parker**

**on your selection
in the Riverina
Girls' Cricket
Team.**

**What a great
achievement!**

PRINCIPAL

I would like to congratulate all the students for the manner that they successfully moved onto the new timetable and academic year last week. It was a very smooth transition and students will be well and truly into their routines as the term progresses.

Congratulations to Emma and Alyce Parker who have been selected in the Riverina Girls' Cricket Team. The State Championships will be held during Term 1 next year.

Congratulations to Lucy Godde who has been selected into the 2016 Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program at the University of Melbourne. The program provides events and activities to support and enhance secondary studies, to inspire career paths and to provide opportunities to interact with the university community.

A number of students will be attending a Rotary Leadership Camp this coming weekend. I would like to thank the Henty Rotary Club for supporting the

school and giving the students the opportunity to be involved in this excellent camp. The students involved are: Olivia Lieschke, Ellen Liston and Nakita Singe.

The Year 12 students are involved in a Future Moves Workshop with Charles Sturt University today. The program aims to support students who wish to go onto tertiary studies.

Calendar November

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SRC District Meeting at
James Fallon High School

25

Lions Debating Competition Final
Culcairn Public School vs Henty Public
School 6.30pm

26-28

Year 9 Excursion to Melbourne



Maths Tips for Tweens

Kids who find maths easy in the early years of school can be turned off quickly if they get confused and can't work it out. Here are 10 ways to get your tween through the more challenging times.

Maths tips: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/mathematics/mathematics-tips/tips-for-tweens-who-find-maths-hard>

Comprehension Help for Teens

Some kids will read perfectly in primary school and then suddenly struggle with comprehension in high school. Here's why.

Comprehension help:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/reading/comprehension-strategies-you-can>

Peer Support Report

From 29 October to 31 October, 27 Year 10 students attended a Peer Support Camp at the Great Aussie Holiday Park. Throughout the three days students worked in small groups aimed at training them to be Peer Support Leaders in 2015.

A variety of topics were addressed in these sessions including communication, decision-making, problem solving, peer pressure and assertiveness. Students also participated in a variety of fun activities including a flying fox, scattegories and the highly entertaining trivia and skits nights. As always the winner was Peer Support!!!

A big thank you goes to Mrs Torocsik, Mrs Anquetil and Mr Campbell for organising and running the camp.



HSC Summer School Year 11 & 12 Head Start Lectures

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- Receive detailed and comprehensive A+ notes.
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Dates: Monday 5 January—Thursday 22 January 2015

Venue: The University of Sydney (Camperdown)

Motivating “laid-back” Children

Why do some children prefer to lead a lazybones life, while others love to tear around the sports field? Is it a hereditary trait? And what can parents do to encourage those children to get up off the sofa, or switch off the computer, and get a little physical?

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/1s5TN5Z>

Riverina Cricket

Congratulations to Emma and Alyce Parker who have been selected in the Girls Riverina Cricket team. The state carnival will take place in term one next year.

Duke of Edinburgh

Six students will be undertaking their first Duke of Edinburgh's gold level adventurous journey between 4th and 7th December. All other students who are involved in the Duke of Edinburgh's award should be aiming to finalise paper work, so that their awards can be finalised before the end of term. Students who have just begun their year nine studies will be able to begin their Duke of Edinburgh's award early next year. An information evening is being planned before the end of term for interested parents and students.



Public Speaking Made Easier

Many people rate speaking in public as one of their worst fears. But it's an important skill for kids to master, which is part of the reason why we start them off with News in Kindergarten and progress to other presentation skills from an early age. Helping your child prepare their speeches and presentations at home will really boost their confidence. Here are practical tips any parent can use: <http://bit.ly/Kr3ukB>

Volunteer Host Families Needed

Overseas students will be arriving in February 2015 and require loving host families, just like yours!

Students are arriving from countries including Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Costa Rica, and many more to stay for 5 to 11 months.

Through hosting you will gain friendships that can last a lifetime. There is no typical "AFS family", so whether you have cattle, a poodle, six children or none, you have the perfect family!

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Canteen Roster November

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