A fantastic excursion!

Students appreciating Temora’s museums
## 2013 Calendar

### Term 1, Week 11
- **Tuesday 8 April**
  - Mrs Carter to Learning Support Meeting, 1:30-4:00pm JPS and P&C Meeting, 5:30pm
- **Wednesday 9 April**
  - Debating Workshop for years 5 and 6
- **Thursday 10 April**
  - ANZAC Service, 10:30am
- **Friday 11 April**
  - Last day of term 1 and Easter Hat Parade
- **Sunday 13 April**
  - P&C to run barbecue at Bunnings

### Holiday activities
- **Friday 25 April**
  - ANZAC March in Junee

### Term 2, Week 1
- **Monday 28 April**
  - Staff Development Day
- **Tuesday 29 April**
  - Students return for term 2

### Term 2, Week 2
- **Wednesday 7 May**
  - Sacred Heart CS Performance

### Term 2, Week 3
- **13-15 May**
  - NAPLAN for Years 3 and 5
- **Friday 16 May**
  - Small Schools’ Athletics Carnival

### Term 2, Week 4
- **Tuesday 20 May**
  - Last day for Mrs Ryan before her Long Service Leave begins!
- **Wednesday 21 May**
  - CDPSSA Meeting at Stockinbingal, 4:00pm
- **Thursday 22 May**
  - Welcome Mrs Steward replacing Mrs Ryan
- **Friday 23 May**
  - CDPSSA Cross Country in Junee

## Feature Photo

Anisa, Max, Judy and Mim at the Temora Aviation Museum

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A message from Cheryl

Meredith is on leave until next term as she is having surgery in Sydney. We wish Meredith a speedy recovery.

Temora Excursion

Students and staff had a fantastic time last Thursday in Temora. The non-stop program at the Aviation Museum kept the students focused for the two and half hours we were there. The students completed the investigations enthusiastically to become a Museum Curator.

We then travelled to the Rural Museum and explored the many buildings and displays. The students especially liked looking at all the different ambulances.

These two Museums are a must for anyone to explore, with friendly, helpful staff and volunteers; as well as the amazing displays.

Lunch order survey results

65% of parents replied to the survey with option 2 having 13 votes and option 1, 4 votes. This results in lunch orders being available only on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays when Mrs Ryan is here to place phone orders. Thank you for being part of this democratic process.

Wallendbeen – POSTPONED!

This is the message we received from Wallendbeen PS this morning: “with the pending weather warning we have decided to postpone the Baldry Shield until Term 3 - when the weather starts to warm up again”.

School will be as normal this Thursday.

Annual School Report

Surveys on technology and school life are attached for entering results into the 2013 Annual School Report. We value your input on our surveys and would appreciate you taking the time to complete these and send in ASAP by this Friday 4 April, so results can be collated to add to the report.

Students will complete the surveys this week at school.

ANZAC service at school

On Thursday 10 April, school will be holding an ANZAC Service at 10:30am at the Illabo Cenotaph; this will be followed by morning tea at school. Everyone is welcome to attend. Could students please bring flowers to school this day. A big thank you to Mrs Justine Churchill who is busy preparing the grounds at the Cenotaph for our service.

ANZAC March in Junee

Thank you to the families that have informed us of their children attending the ANZAC March on Friday 25 April, in Junee. Please meet Mrs Carter at Memorial Park at 10:30am.

Our students have been asked to sing the National Anthem as well as recite a poem. Full school uniform is to be worn for this.

We thank a volunteer in advance for picking up our wreath from Country Meadows on the day. Please let school know if you can.

Get Well

Staff and students would like to send our best wishes for a speedy recovery to both Max Harris (who is recovering from recent surgery) and Jeanne Pratt who
is unwell at present. Hope to see you both up and about again very soon!

Cheryl

Staff Development Day

On Monday 28 April, Mrs Ryan and Mrs Steward will be attending Junee PS for inservice on the new Learning Management and Business Reform (LMBR) system to be implemented in schools from the end of 2014.

Expression of Interest forms

Recently we sent home forms for our year 6 students to fill out and return, indicating which high school they will be attending in 2014. We still have outstanding forms which need to be returned even if your child will be attending a non-government school. These results are entered into our system, advising schools of impending enrolments. Please return these forms!!

Scripture

We welcome Mr Rick George, from the Bible Society, who will be presenting a Wild Bible School Show on the Easter message to our students for Scripture this Friday, 4 April from 11:30am.

Debating Workshop

Mim, Taiyo, Hayden and Joshua will be travelling to Kooringal Public School on Wednesday 9 April to participate in a Debating Workshop run by the Department’s most senior adjudicators and coaches.

We thank Mrs Hopkins for offering to transport the students this day. Students will leave school at 8:30am and return approximately at 3:30pm. Students will need to bring recess, lunch, water bottle, a notebook and pen. Students are to wear summer uniform. A permission note is attached for this.

NAPLAN

Attached to the newsletter is a letter for parents with students in years 3 and 5 in regards to this year’s NAPLAN testing.

Easter Hat Parade

On Friday 11 April there will be an Easter Hat Parade at 9:30am. Parents and community are most welcome to come along for this. Later in the day the students will participate in an egg hunt.

P&C News

A reminder that next P&C meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday 8 April at 5:30pm in the school Library. Hope to see you all there.

The Bunnings barbecue, one of the P&C’s major fundraisers for the year, is on Sunday 13 April. Can you please let me know if you can help and if you have a preference for morning or afternoon? As per the last few years we will have shifts of 2-3 hours in the morning or afternoon. Thanking you in advance for your help!

The welcome to new parents is still scheduled for Friday the 11 April – last day of term, please keep the date free!

Jules Ramsay
P&C Secretary
Student excursion recounts

Lloyd –
I went to the Rural Museum. I liked the little ambulance that you learn to be an ambulance driver in.

Maeve –
On Thursday we went to the Aviation Museum. We saw lots of planes and we learnt about the person in the war who painted the teeth on the spitfire. We did Morse code, then we did little books and we got badges. After that we went to the other museum.

Henry –
On Thursday we went to the Aviation Museum. My favourite plane was the spitfire. I had fun. The spitfire had mad teeth.

Judy –
On Thursday 27 March the school went to Temora and we went to the Aviation Museum and the Rural Museum.

First we went to the Aviation Museum. When we got there we were introduced to the curator Craig, and were shown where they keep the planes and then we had recess. Afterwards we went to a theatre and we talked about what had changed in the museum since the past when men came to learn how to be pilots in the army. Then we went back to where they kept the planes and we had a look around and he told us about the planes. After that we did some investigating about who painted shark teeth on the spitfire. The suspects were Bobby Gibbs, David Robson and George Hale. It turned out that Bobby Gibbs did the crime! After that we made posters with stickers and information for our own museum, and after that we got a museum curator sticker.

We got back on the bus and went to the Rural Museum.

Looking for school documents?

Please note that most of our school documents such as previous newsletters, absent notes, enrolment forms, parent booklets etc can be found on our school website at www.illabo-p.schools.nsw.edu.au, by following the path shown underneath the document. Or please scan the following code with your smartphone or laptop’s webcam to access our website.

Community News

Illabo Hotel News

Saturday 5 April at the hotel – come and enjoy the free entertainment by the band Misfit. Barbecue tea available to purchase from 6:30pm. All welcome!
Parenting Tips

Kids and phone bills

How do you teach your child to use their credit wisely? Ever seen the monthly phone or internet account and felt sick? It’s called “bill shock”, and there are many new ways families accidentally rack up hundreds of dollars of costs each month.

Managing depression

One in four kids over 12 has symptoms of depression. Would you know what to look for and how to help? In this podcast, brain and mind specialist Professor Ian Hickie chats with James O’Loghlin on helping kids beat the blues.

What makes a good book for young kids?

Books with vivid imagery, exciting stories and strong characters will not only entertain your child but set them up to enjoy reading for the rest of their life.

Helping kids learn how to make friends

If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. Teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs.