Dear Parents and Community Members

WELCOME

This year we welcome three new families to our small school community. A warm welcome to: the Scarlett/Lucas family, the Dent family and the Rowe family. We hope that you enjoy your time with us at Humula PS.

HUMULA PS 2016

We welcome seven new children this year. Nick (Year 6), Sky (Year 5), Austin (Year 2) and four new kinder children: Evan, Kurtis, Sid and Betty-Rose. They will join Brayden, Chloe, Izabell, Blake, Nathan, Makayla and Tori-Lee in making up the 14 children for 2016. All children have settled in very well and are eager to learn.

STAFF FOR 2016

Humula PS will be staffed in the following way for this year:
Principal: Mrs Lynne French (full time - everyday)
Teacher: Mrs Julie Adams (2 days a week – Wednesday, Friday)
Miss Joanne Argaet (4 days per week)
SAM: Mrs Teresa Gale (3 days a week – Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)
SLSO: Mrs Mandy Hastings (1 day a week)
GA: Mr John Hawkins (1 day a week – Wednesday)

CALENDAR

The calendar for Term One is attached. Please keep this on your fridge and add any relevant information as it becomes available. Some dates for the first four weeks:

TERM 1
Week 2
Monday 1st - Highlands PSSA Meeting - Tumut - 4.30pm
Week 3
Monday 8th – Thursday 11th – Intensive Swimming - Tumbarumba
Friday 12th – ALPSS Swimming Carnival - Tumbarumba
Week 4
Monday 15th – Rugby League Well Being Clinic for Years 3-6
Thursday 18th – Tennis with ‘Birdie’
Thursday 18th - Wagga Primary Principal Association Conference - Wagga
Friday 19th - Wagga Primary Principal Association Conference - Wagga
Saturday 20th – Staff Development Day in Tumut for all teaching staff

Week 5
Tuesday 23rd - Highlands Swimming Carnival - Gundagai
Thursday 25th - Tennis with ‘Birdie’
**INTENSIVE SWIMMING**

Our Intensive Swimming program for 2015-16 will continue next week (week 3). All children from Kinder to Year 6 will be participating. Rosewood PS will be joining with us for the swimming lessons. Ms Bernie Davey will be assisting us once again. Nick's mother, Narelle, has kindly offered to assist with training and transport for the week. Rosewood will also be supplying teachers for the lessons. The culmination of our lessons will be the ALPSS annual swimming carnival. This year we will have Brayden, Sky and Nick competing at the competitive carnival. The children in Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 will be undertaking fun water activities. I am hoping to schedule some sort of race for them in the big pool over the course of the day. I certainly hope the weather is kind to us for the week.

**SPORT**

During term one our sports day will be Thursday. During the first few weeks this will be low key as week 3 is swimming. All students will need to wear sports uniform on THURSDAY each week. Sports uniform includes gold polo shirt, royal blue shorts/skirt, white socks and joggers. It is important that the children wear their joggers on sports day. Later in the term we will be having professional tennis lessons with Bernadette Cahill. These are in addition to our term two lessons thanks to some funding that I have been able to secure.

**SCHOOL BANKING**

Last year student school banking was taken up by all students. I am hoping that we can do that again this year. School banking provides a platform for savings in years to come. Just a reminder that school banking day is THURSDAY, however students may bring their passbooks and deposits any day of the week and we will keep it safe until banking day.

**MOBILE LIBRARY**

The mobile library will be in the village tomorrow (Wednesday) from 9.00am. If all children could return their library books it would be appreciated. Over the holiday period I took it upon myself to extend their loans from last year. Riverina Library application forms will be sent home with the new students so that they can obtain a borrowing card. At Humula PS we endeavour to support the mobile library by allowing the students to borrow books etc on a fortnightly basis.
**CHANGE OF ROUTINE**

It is Department of Education Policy that the school must be informed in writing if your child is to be picked up after school by someone other than the parents or designated emergency contact.

Lynne French  
Principal

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Humula Club News**

After our quiet January the club is revving back up.  
Monday Night Meals started again last night and will be every Monday night.  
It was great to see so many people back at the Club for Monday nights  
Thank you to Barry and Bim who have been busy mowing.  
It was lovely to have Norm’s surprise 80th at the Club.  
Thank you to the Harvey’s for choosing the Club for this special evening and also for their Working Bee for the Club. The Committee and General members appreciate your efforts.  
A belated thank you to Stuart for fixing the ladies shower door.  
Club Committee Meeting – Next Wednesday 7.30pm  
At this meeting we will be reviewing the Bar prices.  
The Club Committee

**Humula Community Organisations Meeting**

Last year a grant was applied for to help all the committee’s in Humula.  
The grant application was successful and John Craig has been engaged to meet with the committee’s of The Soldiers Hall (Humula Progress Association), The Trustees of the Recreational Ground, The CWA, The Golf Club and The Humula Citizens’ Sports Club.

This meeting will be held on

**Thursday 25th February at the Club at 7 pm**

The first meeting will be for the Committees or remaining people on the above committees and then a follow up meeting will be organised for the whole community.  
Nicole will in touch with all the committee members involved

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Community Noticeboard

**Claiming the date!**
The Carabost Hall committee are holding a ‘Murphy and Movie’ night at the hall on Saturday 19th March. More information later.

The Mobile Library timetable has changed. The library will now be visiting Humula on alternate Wednesdays. The next visit will be on Wednesday 3 February at 9.15am.

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