Dear «First_Name»

**STUDENT LEADERS**
Last week Nick was presented with his student leader badge. Nick will join Brayden as student leaders for 2016. Brayden continues his role as student leader after the fantastic job he did in 2015.

**HIGHLANDS SWIMMING CARNIVAL**
The Highlands swimming carnival took place last week with Brayden and Nick competing in many events. Although not successful at the carnival both boys swam in their events, swimming several personal best times. Congratulations to both boys on the way they represented the school.
TENNIS
This Thursday our tennis lessons will resume after a week off last week due to the extreme heat conditions. ‘Birdie’ will be returning to Humula to provide professional tennis lessons to all children Kinder to Year 6. A reminder that all students will need to wear sports uniform on THURSDAY. It is important that the children wear sports uniform on sports day, including joggers.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
The ALPSS network of schools gathered in Tumut on Saturday 20 February to undergo training with Ralph Pirozzo. Mr Pirozzo took us through some great workshops using his methods of planning using matrices and grids. The afternoon session was used to plan units of work to be used later in the year. This was a very worthwhile day and replaces one of the staff development days at the end of the year.

ATHLETICS OFFICIALS WORKSHOP
Last week Miss Argaet and I attended an athletics officials workshop in Tumut after school. At the workshop the rules and techniques of shot, discuss, long and high jump were discussed. Although it was extremely hot, the information that was gained from the workshop was very worthwhile.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY
This Friday we will be participating in Clean Up Australia. We will be setting off around the village, walking from school, to the park, up past Humula Hall and back to school, collecting any rubbish that may be lying around. Last year we were pleased to report that the rubbish around Humula was minimal. A permission note is attached. If it could be returned prior to Friday it would be appreciated. If children have access to gloves they should bring these on Friday. The school has a few pairs of gloves but not enough for each child. I wonder what we will find this year.

SCHOOL BANKING
It’s great to see the children using the school banking scheme. Each time a student banks they receive a token. Once they have collected 10 tokens they are able to choose a reward. Rewards include ‘flying snake tail, wildlife writer set, mud splat handball, money box, ET DVD’ and more.

MOBILE LIBRARY
The mobile library will be in the village tomorrow (Wednesday) from 9.00am. If all children could return their library books in their library bags it would be appreciated.
**SCHOOL NUMBERS**

2016 is a great year for Humula Public School. This year we have 14 students, double last year’s enrolments. We are now looking to the future. If you have, or know of, young children who will be attending Humula Public School in the next few years could you please contact the school with their names and dates of birth. This will allow us to plan more effectively for the future.

**DRINK BOTTLES**

The P & C have purchased new drink bottles for the students. Each child has their own bottle with their name and these are filled with water at school and used throughout the day.

**P&C MEETING**

A reminder that our next P&C meeting, which will be the AGM, has been set down for Wednesday 9 March, at school. The meeting will commence at 2.00pm. We hope to see you there!

**FOR SALE**

The school has several items for sale. Amongst those items are:

- an electric organ
- tents
- coloured printer
- black and white printer and cartridges

All we ask is that you make a reasonable offer for the items.

**BRIGHT STARTS FITNESS PROGRAM**

This free daily exercise opportunity has been running for just over a week, using the schools facilities. Every day we have had participants turn up to join in and to improve their fitness levels. This is a fun, light hearted opportunity to get moving in the morning. Everyone is invited to join in the fun.

Lynne French
Principal
Humula Club News

SUBS ARE NOW DUE

Sadly but inevitably the price of our subs has to increase from $11.00 to $15.00. It has been $11.00 for many, many, many years and so unfortunately we need to increase our price now.

Please pay your subs during March at the Bar

THANK YOU

Great to see people happily back at the Club on Monday Nights for Dean’s and Sharon’s meals.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club was held last Wednesday night with a good roll up. Next Book Club will be held on Wednesday 23rd of March at 7pm. Look forward to seeing all those who are interested.

The Club Committee

COMPUTER CLASSES

The school is offering computer classes after school for any community member who might like to join us. Sessions on basic word processing, basic excel and just getting more out of your computer will be offered. If you are interested please contact Teresa in the office.
Community News

Last Thursday the Committees of the CWA, The Humula Progress Association, The Rec Ground, The Golf Club and the Club met with John Craig from Community Development Initiatives.

Last year the CWA in conjunction with the other committees applied for a grant from Wagga Wagga City Council to employ a Professional to help these small committees. John’s first phase was to meet with the Committees to hear about their organisation, their level of operation, how many members were still on the committee etc etc To get a picture of the organisation and how it was travelling.

John’s second phase is to report back to the whole community with ideas and recommendations for how these organisations and committees will continue. John has a lengthy career history in community work, wonderful contacts and loads of sensible and feasible ideas.

In response to this

The Humula Committees invite the Humula community
To attend an Information Night on
Thursday 24th March
at
6.30pm for chatting, nibbles and drinks
and
7 pm Information with John Craig

Please bring a nibble to share
John will have his interim recommendations for you to read and consider before the meeting.
We look forward to seeing a good roll up to what should be an interesting and beneficial evening for Humula.
Hope you are able to attend
Humula Public School Newsletter seeks to serve the interests of Humula and the surrounding community by publishing the communities’ news and views, while supporting local sporting, educational, recreational and charitable groups through publication of information relevant to their organisation. Excepting grammar and minor editing adjustments, articles in this newsletter are published as they were submitted. Sometimes articles are condensed due to space constraints. The views and opinions expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily the views of the Principal or Staff of Humula Public School.

Contributions for the Newsletter are welcome from all community organisations. We endeavour to put out a Newsletter each fortnight so please send or fax items to the school by Monday of the Newsletter week and your item will be included. Advertisements for items for sale etc are welcome for a donation towards the Student Council fundraising for the support of their sponsored child, Sulamita in Guatemala.

**Community Noticeboard**

**COME AND BUY**
Chloe and Sid are running an apple and plum stall on the Downfall Road (at their front gate) this afternoon and Friday afternoon. Drop by and pick up some goodies.

**Carabost Hall**

*Murphy* and Movie Night
Enjoy a stuffed potato (with a choice of a variety of fillings) and an Australian movie.
When: Saturday 19 March commencing at 6pm
Cost: $5 per adult

If you would like to bring along a stuffing of your choice to share and/or a dessert it would be much appreciated.

A phone call to confirm attendance for catering would also be appreciated – Call Gerry on 69486183 or Teresa on 69486156

*A Murphy is an Irish term for a potato*

Next Newsletter will be published on 16 March 2016. Please have articles to school by 9 am.