Coming Events for Term 1

March, 2016
Fri, 4th Soccer Trials @ Mitchell Park
Mon, 7th Swimming for sport
Tues, 8th International Women’s Day
Thurs, 10th Mufti Day – Hamper goods
Fri, 11th Soccer Clinic
Whole School Assembly
Mon, 14th Regional Basketball @ Albury
Fete Meeting @ 6.30pm
Tues, 15th Parents Easter Hat Making 2pm
Fri, 18th FETE
Mon, 21st P&C Meeting 6.30pm
Tues, 22nd School Photos
Wed, 23rd K-2 visit Nursing Home
Thurs, 24th K-2 Easter Hat Parade 2pm

Fete News
Thank you to all the Southme Superheroes who came today to support the fete fundraising efforts.
We have had a great response from families and the committee really appreciate it. Our last fund raising day is next Thursday with an out-of-uniform day and students are asked to bring in items for a hamper of household goods. This could be food, laundry products, kitchen supplies or any grocery items. As teachers send out notes asking for support, please put your name down as a helper as it means everyone will have a chance to enjoy the fete evening. It is going to be a fun night with a wide range of stalls and activities with something for everyone to enjoy.

NAPLAN Dates
Years 3 and 5 participate in NAPLAN. This year’s dates are Tuesday, 10th May, Wednesday, 11th May and Thursday, 12th May. This is Term 2, Week 3. Please keep these dates in mind if you are planning any medical appointments etc. for your child. We can do a catch up on Friday, 13th May but it is better if everyone completes it on the same days.

School Photographs
School photograph information has been sent out and the big day is Tuesday, 22nd March. Students will need to be in full school uniform with normal school hairstyles and those students who have been elected to school leadership positions will need to remember to wear their badges for the photographs.

Easter Hat Parade
Once again the infants department will be having their annual Easter Hat Parade on Thursday, 24th March at 2pm under the COLA. In previous years hats were made at home but this year we would like to invite parents, grandparents and friends to come to our school on Tuesday, 15th March at 2pm.

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to help the children make their hats. Children will need to bring the decorations they wish to use. For further information please contact the school 69421166.

**AFL Trials**

Last Tuesday, Stephen Whicker attended the AFL Trials in Temora and was selected in the Cootamundra & District PSSA team which will participate in the Eastern Riverina Trials at Coolamon. Well done Stephen.

**Books and Clothing Stall**

This year Mrs Grove and Mrs Camilleri are holding a “pre-loved” books and children’s clothing stall at the fete. If you have any items you may wish to donate we would appreciate it if all children’s clothes are washed, with no rips or holes and no broken zippers or missing buttons. All books need to be clean without pages missing or having rips. Pre-school home readers and ex Cootamundra Library books will be available to buy. Lost property school uniform items will also be available to purchase in readiness for winter. All these will be available at minimum cost.

**Clean Up Australia Day**

Our school’s annual participation in the Clean Up Australia campaign which was to be conducted next Monday has been postponed until later in the month. A combination of extreme weather, poor ground conditions and safety issues has led to this decision. Next time you are at Woolworths please purchase some rubber gloves or gardening gloves for your child in preparation for this day.

**Soccer Trials**

Congratulations to Alexandria Oliver, Stevie-Lee Hartshorn, Samantha Graham, Tori Craw-Reid, Odessa Tregear, Stephen Whicker, Bailey James, Caleb Elmes, Robert McDonald, Bailey Slater, Darren Press and Luke Spears for making the boys and girls CDZPSSA selection trials for soccer this Friday.

**Community Service**

Last Friday Madilyn Robinson, Eric Chick and Bailee Meale volunteered their time in delivering meals to 14 lovely residents in Cootamundra, Meals on Wheels. We had to arrive at the Cootamundra Nursing Home by 12 noon to collect the delicious three course dinners and then deliver meals to clients’ homes all over Cootamundra. We met some lovely people and they were so thrilled to meet our students. All the clients commented on how lovely our students look in their uniforms and how well mannered they were. They were impressed that our students were keen to give up some of their time to help in the community. Our next Meals on Wheels run will be at the end of March when the next 3 members of the SRC will volunteer their time to help deliver lunches.

**Lego Stall at the Fete**

This year at the Fete there will be a lego stall which will be situated in Mr Wing’s room. To enter the lego competition it will be $1.00 per creation and these can be dropped off on Fete day. Entry to view all the lego creations will be $2.00 on the night.

**Year 6 to Year 7 2017**

To all Year 6 parents, Expressions of Interest forms for students heading into Year 7 next year will be handed out to your child next week. It would be appreciated if you could fill in the required details and return to the front office as soon as possible.
Premiers Reading Challenge
All children will be joining in on this challenge which will be organised by the school. K-2 children will do all the reading within the classroom with the help of their teacher. Years 3-6 will do it individually. All students are required to complete a set amount of reading to meet the Challenge as shown below:

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All children entering the Premier’s Reading Challenge will receive a Certificate and their names will appear in the PRC Honour Roll. This is a wonderful opportunity to get our children into the habit of reading.

Supporting Fiji
Last week our school formally presented Div Perera, who will be volunteering in a Fijian orphanage, with our donation of clothes to help Fijian children who have been devastated by the monsoon.

Easter Break
If you are planning holidays please check the dates for Easter and school holidays. This year Easter is from Friday, 25th March until Monday, 28th March, not during school holidays. We return to school for Weeks 10 and 11 and the last day of Term 1 is Friday, 8th April.

Cool bubblers
Our cool bubblers have been getting a workout in this incredibly hot weather. Here Luke Spears, Chase Richmond and Cohen Lawson were first to the bubblers at the end of lunch.

Dogs on school grounds
Dogs are not to be brought onto school grounds, even on a leash. This is for the safety of everyone, as even the quietest dog may react differently when in a different situation with unknown people. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Swimming
Swimming will continue next Monday as the pool will still be open. We will organise buses to transport students to and from the pool as the weather is predicted to be 37°C. The cost of entry is $1.50. The school will cover the cost of the buses. If you do not wish your child to travel by bus please notify the school.

Permission to travel by bus
Please complete the permission note for general bus travel, for 2016, within the town. We use this to cover situations when we are planning to walk to a town venue/event and the weather means we either travel by bus or not attend the event. We have used it for several in-town excursions last year and it meant our students did not miss out on anything.

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Come and enjoy the Southee Fete

Friday, 18th March 5.30 - 7.30

fun games, stalls, exhibitions, rides, food, BBQ, drinks & much more

Bring your family and friends for a great evening out 😊
Cootamundra Junior Rugby Union Club
Registration Day

Saturday 5th March

10am-12.30pm

in front of Sportspower

$70 per player

New players receive socks, shorts and sports bag.

New players need to have their birth certificate cited.

All players receive membership to Brumbies home games.