Dear Parents

Congratulations to all Palinyewah students who represented our school at the Murray Darling Athletics Carnival in Mildura on Thursday 4 August. Our students enjoyed the day and came home with some ribbons as well.

Ribbons from our own Small Schools Carnival were handed out this week, with Kate Seaman earning a medal for equal placing as Senior Girls Champion. Congratulations Kate.

Performances

We have another event to add to our calendar. Leigh Hobbs is an artist and author who will be running workshops at Wentworth Public School on Wednesday 27 August. I will be taking interested students to participate in the workshops at Wentworth Public School. We will travel by minibus from Palinyewah Public School and return in time for students to catch the school bus home. The cost of the workshop is $4.00. If you want your child to participate, please return the permission slip and payment by Monday 25 August to the school office. Students who choose not to participate will remain at school with Mr Astill. I have attached a related information sheet to the newsletter.

On Tuesday 2 September students are invited to attend a performance at the Mildura Arts Centre as part of our Creative and Practical Arts program. This activity will also support work being done in English as students are writing screen plays with Mr Astill. The performance will demonstrate the transformation from book to stage performance. Students will travel to school as usual and will be transported to Mildura by minibus. I will put students on the school bus at Coomealla High School for the return journey home. Students will need to wear full school uniform and bring a packed lunch.

Please return the permission slip by Friday 29 August.

Excursions

The Canberra Excursion for Year 6 students is fast approaching. Students will leave on Sunday 14 September from Wentworth Public School at 6.30am and return on Friday 19 September to Wentworth Public School. Expected arrival time home to be advised. Permission notes, medical forms and payment need to be returned to the school office by Wednesday 10 September. The total cost of the excursion is $700.00. The P&C will provide a $100.00 subsidy to students and PACER provides a $30.00 subsidy, meaning the total cost to be paid to the school is $570.00.

Thank you to the P&C for your generous donation and ongoing support of school initiatives.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of $30.00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Our Small Schools excursion is on during term four departing 10 November and returning 14 November. Students will attend Aldinga Active Education Centre with some extra exciting events including a visit to the penguins. The estimated cost of the excursion at this stage of planning is $600.00. The camp is offered to 3 – 6 students. More detailed information will follow towards the end of term.

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Palinyewah students have been busy preparing for the Wentworth Show by engaging in a fantastic sewing program with Mrs Lawrence. This is just a sneak preview, there is plenty more to come. You will have to visit the Wentworth Show to see more.

Do not let what you cannot do interfere with what you can do.”

John Wooden