The end of term is quickly approaching and I would like to thank all parents for your support throughout this term. For supporting the school and the teachers: with assisting your child to complete homework, supporting fundraisers, attending the Gatherings, attending the P & C meetings and most importantly getting your children to school on time every day and in their uniforms. Over the next few days we will be very busy finishing units of work in preparation for a new start next term.

There will be no canteen this Friday. Unfortunately, Mr Matt Henry has resigned from his position here as the Relieving Aboriginal Education Officer and moved his family out of town. So currently there is no canteen manager and there will be no canteen until this position is filled.

Next term the K-2 teachers have the opportunity to attend a professional learning day which will build their capacity to assist the students in their classroom with speech.

This Thursday the Year 12 students will be visiting for the Weird-a-thon. If you could please send a coin to assist the students with their fundraiser it would be appreciated.

This Friday we will have the ‘Grab Box’ for students with really good attendance. Any child who has had 100% attendance (and we have quite a few) will have the chance to win a movie ticket which they can use at a time of their choosing.

This Friday I have the pleasure of having morning tea with the students who have achieved their Gold badge. I am really looking forward to this opportunity.

The New England Disability Interagency will provide an opportunity for people with disability, family members and carers to attend the My Future My Choice Community Links Expo from 9.30 – 4.30 on Wednesday 17 September, 2014 at the Armidale City Bowling Club. The theme “My Future My Choice” embraces the ideals of a person centred system. The Expo is free to enter with giveaways and prizes on the day. Refreshments will be available on site and the NENW Special Olympics Committee will be running a fundraising sausage sizzle over lunch. Come and support the local athletes competing in the National Games.

Daylight Saving will commence on Sunday the 5 October so don’t forget to wind your clocks forward 1 hour. Monday 6 October is a public Holiday so school will resume for all students and teachers on Tuesday 7 October.

Thank you to the parents who regularly attend the P & C meetings. At last night’s meeting one of the topics discussed was the Family Fun Fair. The holidays would be a great time to start going through a few cupboards and finding items for the White Elephant stall and maybe planting a few cuttings for the plant stall. Next term we will start calling for these items to be brought in. There will be a special Family Fun Fair P & C meeting at McDonald’s at 6.30pm on the 13 October. Please come along. If you are able to assist in the canteen or are interested in the Canteen manager’s position please let Sharon Holden the P & C President know.

Julianne Crompton
Important Dates for your Calendar

**Term 3**

**Thursday 18 September:** AHS weird-a-thon are visiting us at 10am. Gold Coin donation.

**Friday 19 September:** Last day of Term 3

**Sunday 5 October:** Daylight Savings start
Move your clock forward 1 hour

**Term 4**

**Tuesday 7 October:**
Students and Staff return for Term 4

**Monday 13 October:** P & C Fun Fair Meeting at McDonalds - 6:30pm. All welcome

**Tuesday 21 October:**
- Kindergarten Orientation Library 9am
- AECG Meeting Library 2pm

**Friday 7 November:** Year 5-6 Science in the Bush

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**Clothing Pool**

**Opening hours**
8:45—9:30 Tuesday
2:45—3:30 Thursday
Friday after Gathering

No EFTPOS available  Layby available

Please contact Fiona Munzenrieder for any of your school clothing needs on 0447 624 674

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**Community Notices**

The school is happy to advertise some local events and business ventures. However, we do not necessarily endorse them to you. It is the responsibility of individual parents/caregivers to ensure that they themselves are satisfied with all services offered before they involve their children or themselves.

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The Aboriginal Cultural Centre and Keeping Place (ACCKP) is once again running the Holiday Program for primary school children from Monday, the 29th September to Friday, the 3rd October, 2014, 9.00am to 12 noon.

The theme for the Sept/Oct holiday program is “Performing Arts”.

The cost for the morning tea, supervision, materials and activities will be covered by the ACCKP. This holiday program is being funded by NSW Government Education and Communities.

An application form and time table is available at the office and needs to be return to Aboriginal Cultural Centre by the 22nd September to ensure your child/children’s place is confirmed.

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**Indoor Hockey Clinic**

**When:** 4th & 5th October 2014

**Time:** 10am - 12pm Saturday (Come & Try)
**Cost:** $10 (Cash or Cheque payment on the day)
**Time:** 1pm - 4pm Saturday (U13 to 18 age groups)
**Time:** 9am - 3pm Sunday (U13 to 18 age groups)
**Cost:** $40 (Cash or Cheque payment on the day)

**Venue:** The Den (Armidale High School)

RSVP to Blair Chalmers via e-mail: blair.c@hockeynsw.com.au

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**Starting soon is the Armidale Community Weight Loss Challenge**

**Our goal is to get healthy**

and lose weight together over 10 weeks of informative and supportive group sessions.

**Begin Tuesday 7th October. Costs $49 for full 10 weeks**

(which funds a prize pool for those who achieve the best personal results)

**For details please call**

**Dee Ritch:** 02 6772 6936 or 0414 892 162
**Karen Browne:** 02 6771 4553

(after hours)

“Wellness. It’s Time!”