From The Principal

Gold Assembly / Principal’s Medallions
Congratulations to the 64 students who received Gold / Red / Green Awards this morning, the 7 who received the P&C Values Awards and the 8 recipients of the Principal’s Medallion.

The assembly was an opportunity to join with our community in acknowledging and celebrating the achievements and qualities of the awardees. Each student has consistently demonstrated the values of this school across many spheres, including classroom learning, academic achievement, consideration of others and participation in sports and creative pursuits, to name a few.

To be eligible for the Principal’s Medallion, a student must have achieved not only the required number of Gold awards, but present themselves for an interview to confirm their suitability. Understandably, this can be a rather daunting task and perhaps the first ‘interview’ of their young lives. Each student who received the Medallion today is a most worthy recipient and I have no doubt that they will always seek to maintain their high standards of conduct and integrity.

Uniform Options
Following on from the unanimous vote to introduce uniform options, these students have embraced the opportunity to choose and look very happy, cool and smart.
Before and After School Care
A reminder that the survey will remain open this week and your input will be very important in considering the viability, or otherwise, of providing such a service at this school. The survey will take approximately three minutes of your time. Please visit https://www.research.net/r/cudgegongvalley

A Thought
“Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not.”
Dr. Seuss

Andrea Lester
Principal

From the Deputy Principal
Students of the Week:
Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded our ‘Student of the Week’ trophies:

Early Stage 1: Evie Gibson, Sophie Stewart, Georgina Stanley, Sarah Darker.

Stage 1: Bobby Pascoe, Lillian Downes, Perrin Gleeson, Georgie Baggett, Oliver Boldiston, Vivienne Roberts.

Stage 2: Jack Murray, Izsak Stewart, Matilda Wilson-Tuckey, Heidi Kenny, Adam Travis, Hannah Robertson.

Stage 3: Elian Lees, Henry McNamara, Logan Jones, Darcy Robertson, Emily Cowden.

This week at CVPS we will be: Respectful – In the Classroom.

Presentation Days
Next Tuesday morning, 8 December at 10.00am, we will be holding our K-2 Presentation Day and on Wednesday 9 December at 10.00am we will hold our 3-6 Presentation Day. The Hon Tony Grant MP, Deputy Premier of NSW, Member for Dubbo, will be the guest speaker at the 3-6 assembly. We look forward to many parents/carers and friends joining us on these important days in our school calendar.

Helpers’ Morning Tea and P&C Raffle Assembly
On Friday 11 December at 11:15am the CVPS staff will host a morning tea in the school hall to thank all our wonderful helpers who assist in so many ways throughout the year. We hope many parents/carers will join us on this occasion.

On Monday 14 December at the 2.00pm assembly, the P&C will announce the winners of the current raffle.

Farewell to Mr and Mrs Williamson
As you may be aware, Mr and Mrs Williamson are not returning to CVPS in 2016. Mr Williamson is retiring and Mrs Williamson is taking leave for the year prior to retirement. On Wednesday 16 December at 2:15pm the staff and students of CVPS will be hosting a farewell assembly for Mr and Mrs Williamson in the school COLA. Parents/carers and past students who have had an association with the Williamson are most welcome to attend.

Wendy Hogben
Deputy Principal

Merit Certificates
Red Certificates: Kasey Hayes, Mark Selman, Matilda Wisbey, Xanthe Althofer, Bobby Pascoe, Madolyn Beesley, Chloe Pickens, Mark Maskell, Aix Dray, Wade Faucett, Millie Tattersall, KD, Lucy Fowler, Byron Sinnett, Alexander Treay, Tylar Hayes, Alex Skinner, Izsak Stewart.

Canteen News
This Week:
Wed 2 Verrell Barnes
Thu 3 Bec Cooper, Leonie O’Malveney
Fri 4 Lauren Honeysett, Clare Edenhofner

Next Week:
Mon 7 Kylie Lawrence, Jackie Riley
Tue 8 Berny Martin
Wed 9 Bek Piscionieri
Thu 10 Bec Cooper, Leonie O’Malveney
Fri 11 Jen Keyssecker, Annette Lewinski

The canteen will be open on the last day of this term. A special Party Day Bag order form has been sent home and this will be the only hot food available on the day.

Due to school holidays quickly approaching, we may start to run out of some varieties of chips and ice blocks so that there isn’t too much stock left in the canteen over the summer break. If children order something we don’t have, they will be offered either a refund or an alternative.
**Summer Special:** to encourage children to drink more water on these hot days, we have reduced our large water to $1.30 and small water to $1.00 until the end of summer.

A Volunteers roster for next year is now being compiled. If you would like to join our wonderful team of volunteers, please drop into the canteen any day between 9am – 2pm. Non-school aged children are more than welcome to come along.

Thank you
Tina Barnes

**Garden Club News**
I would like to pass on my thanks to Mel Brown for her successful grant applications that were submitted to Mid-Western Regional Council last month.

We have received approximately $1800 in funding from the MWRC Garden Grant and MWRC Environmental Grant. These two funded gardens will be our two major projects for 2016. The Garden Grant will be used to create a Fruit Salad Garden Walk near the vegetable gardens and the Enviro Grant will be used for creating the Sandpit Safari Native Regen Garden near the soon to be built sandpit at the rear of the school.

Lots of effort goes into chasing external funding for these projects and then bringing them to life. This is all to aid and enhance the learning experience at CVPS and thanks must be extended to our hardworking volunteers and their supporters for their ongoing efforts.

The kitchen garden children have worked very hard to get their crops into the ground and are now watching them grow and waiting for them to fruit. Last week they built three small worm farms using stock from our mothership. They were very impressed with our red wriggles and some overcame their initial hesitation and had a ball playing around with our soil-making friends. A reminder for those students involved to please bring your lunch straight to the veggie garden to save time as we start as soon as the lunch bell goes. If your child does not wish to participate, they need to let the day leader know with the understanding that they will be replaced for the rest of the season.

We are still chasing donations of clean ring pull cans for the markets and succulents. Please drop these off at the office. Thank you and happy gardening.
Kristie Cavanagh

**Classifieds**

*While we accept advertising from commercial enterprises, the school does not endorse these.*

**Jackeroo Ranch**

**Summer School Holiday Riding Camps**

Jackeroo Ranch is again running its popular horse riding camps in the summer vacation.

- Pre-Christmas Camps from 6 – 16 December 2015
  - Come anytime from 3 days to 10 days
  - First week – Sat 2 Jan – Sat 9 Jan (AM arrival)
  - Second week Sat 9 Sept – Sun 17 Jan (PM arrival)
  - Shorter stays are possible if camps are not fully booked.

  For booking and further information ring Pattie Hudson on 6337 7173 (nights are best)

**Real Fresh Christmas Trees**

$45.00 Price includes GST –

- Decorations and stand depicted in photo not included in tree price.
- **Same price for past four years**

Purchase from
Saint John’s Parish
Office Meeting Room
(6 Church St Mudgee - next to the Brewery)

From Monday 23 November to Friday 4 December inclusive 2015
8.30am to 4.30pm daily
Enquires: 6372 1126

**Cash Only**

Pay with order
Collection of Trees
**Saturday 5th December -11.30am to 3pm**
Saint John’s Rectory rear entrance off Short Street, Mudgee. Look for the signs.
CUDGE GONG VALLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL

STAFF AND STUDENTS

wish to invite you to our

ANNUAL

PRESENTATION DAY

ASSEMBLIES

Tuesday 8 December 2015
10:00 am - EARLY STAGE ONE and STAGE ONE
(All Kindergarten students will receive a certificate)

Wednesday 9 December 2015
10:00 am - STAGE TWO and STAGE THREE

In the COLA at Cudgegong Valley Public School

ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS WELCOME TO ATTEND
Absence Note

Child’s Name: ___________________________ Class: ______________

Absence Dates: __________________________

Reason for Absence: __________________________

Name: ___________________________ Signed: __________________________ Date: __________

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