Mrs Bishop’s Message

Mrs Palmer had a baby girl!
Congratulations to Kate Palmer & her husband who are the proud parents of a baby girl, Zali Lais Palmer, born on Saturday 3rd May weighing 6 pounds 9. Both Kate & Zali are doing well.

Small Schools Cross Country Carnival
The Superhero themed day is on this Thursday 8th May from 9:15am. As mentioned in our letters, no staff will be at school on this day.

Active After School Sports
AASS will begin next Thursday 15th May. This term the students will be focusing on their hockey skills. The session times are from approximately 2:30pm – 3:30pm.

Mother’s Day Stall and Raffle
Our P&C will be running a Mother’s Day Stall & Raffle this Friday 9th May. The P&C has asked that each child bring in $5 to purchase a present. Raffle tickets will 50c each & have been sent home today.

Cubby House-Update
Last Thursday we were able to take down our old play equipment. This was a decision made by the P&C last year. We are now looking at developing this area along with the old fishpond area to include the new cubby house, dry river creek bed, a boat, sensory garden and BBQ area. Many thanks must go to Robert Colley & Sonja Hook for taking the equipment down along with some help from Shannon, Hayley, Brendan, Annie, Nicholas & Sophie. We will be holding our next working bee to put the cubby house together on Thursday 15th May, starting at 2pm. If you can come along at any stage during the afternoon to lend a hand, we would love to see you here.

P&C News
Our next meeting is next week
Wednesday 8 May @9.30am
at the school.
All welcome.

Playgroup-NOTE CHANGE
Due to the Small Schools Cross Country Carnival this Thursday, we have had to change our starting date to Thursday 15th May, starting at 9:30am. We’ve had quite a lot of interest in this & we look forward to meeting the parents & children and having some fun together.
**National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)**

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**Years 5 & 6 Small Schools Excursion to Canberra**
This excursion is fast approaching can parents please finalise their payments. We will need to forward monies to the organising school by June. Thank you.

**Invitation to the Somerton Biggest Morning Tea**
You, your family & friends are invited to the Biggest Morning Tea @ Somerton Hall on Thursday 22nd May 2014 from 9am. The continuous morning tea will cost $5. There will be a trading table (cakes, plants, books, etc), raffle & lucky door prizes. Come along, bring a friend & enjoy a chat & cuppa with friends & help fight to beat cancer! Enquiries to Edna McGrath (67697553) & Jan Gardner (67697566)

**Kids, Social Media & Privacy**
Regardless of your child’s age, the world may already know a lot more about them than you suspect. According to recent research:
- 92% of children under the age of 2 have a digital shadow (- it starts with proud parents posting newborn baby photos on Facebook or Instagram)
- a quarter of Australian children 8 - 12 years old use Facebook, but the minimum age for a user is 13 years.
- more than 20% of tweens publish photos of themselves on Instagram
- young people 14 - 19 have an average of 453 fans, friends or followers on social media.

**Excursion to The Deep and Tamworth Art Gallery.**
Our students had a wonderful time last Friday watching The Deep & visiting the art gallery in Tamworth. Many thanks to Amanda Price, Michelle Fritz & Pam Cupples for their organisation & time on the day. The students had a great time…here are some pics…

[Images of students on excursion]

**2014 Privacy Awareness Week, 4 - 10 May 2014**, is a good time to review your family’s privacy settings & discuss online security. You’ll find lots of practical information and resources to share with your kids at www.ipc.nsw.gov.au

**Book Club has gone home.**
**Issue 3, 2014** orders & payment must be returned to school by **Friday 23rd May 2014** in an envelope with your child’s name clearly marked on it.