Hargraves Public School

The school with a heart of gold

On Wednesday 14th August we are holding a “Wear Yellow to School Day”, raising funds for Daffodil Day. It can be as simple as a yellow ribbon. A gold coin donation please.

Hargraves Touch Football players are “Good Sports”
On Thursday 1st August eleven children participated in the David Aldridge Memorial Touch Football Gala Day.
There were 48 teams with our Hargraves team playing six games in total. The children played extremely well and tried their absolute best.
They showed great sportsmanship and were presented with the prestigious David Aldridge Memorial “Good Sports” shield.
The children's touch skills, sportsmanship and behaviour is to be commended!

Recorder Cluster Rehearsal
The recorder players who will be performing at the Opera House concert travelled to Bathurst last Friday for a cluster rehearsal led by conductor Susan Sukkar. The students were ‘fine tuned’ in their pieces and were complemented on their musical ability and behaviour.
Thank you to Mrs Lawson who helped with transport.

Little A's Visit
Alvin from Little A's NSW visited the school on Tuesday afternoon and worked with the children on the techniques of sprinting. The visit was part of the "Desire to Inspire" Schools Program.
Information on how to become involved in Mudgee Little A's is attached to this newsletter.

On Tuesday the school was visited by 3 members of the Rural and Distance Education team (including Kym Knight who many of you may remember in her previous role as the CAP Consultant) along with 9 members of the Curriculum Directorate in Sydney. The purpose of the visit was to gain an understanding of rural communities and schools and to see a small rural school in operation. All the visitors were very impressed with the staff, students and the school.
As these people are the key figures in getting the new national curriculum into NSW schools, it was a wonderful opportunity for staff to ask questions, be given valuable information on new resources and to make contacts for future use in implementing the new curriculum.

Soloist Grace
Congratulations to Grace Angel who has been chosen as a soloist to perform at the Banksia concert at the DEC’s Festival of Instrumental Music at the Sydney Opera House.
Grace was chosen after auditioning via video. She will be performing a solo part in “Galliard Irregular”. It is a very exciting achievement for Grace and our school. Well done! Francesca Dollin was also chosen as a descant soloist but will not be taking up the position. Congratulations to both girls on this remarkable achievement!

Book Week Wednesday 21st August
We are asking all children to come dressed as a character from a favourite book. Please don't stress over this or go to a lot of trouble to dress your child. Dressing up can be as simple as wearing a hat, a pair of glasses or funny wig.
Last year the staff dressed as characters from Roald Dahl's book “The Witches”. What will they come dressed as this year?
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P & C will be running the Canteen at the Zone Athletics Carnival on Monday 12th August at Walkers Field, Mudgee. If you are able to help with cooking cakes and slices beforehand or cooking and serving at Walkers Field on the day, please contact: Louise 6373 8669.

### Return Student Reports

Please send your child’s Report folder back to school. These were given to parents at the time of the interview with their child's teacher. The reports will have the 2nd Semester report and work samples put into them. These will be given out at the Presentation Evening at the end of the year. The reports are then yours to keep.

### Father’s Day Stall

P & C will be holding a Father’s Day stall on Thursday 29th August at school. Children will be able to select a gift for Dad or Grandad. Gifts will be priced from $1 to $5 each.

### Reminder:

Well known children’s author Mem Fox will be at Parklands Resort this Sunday 11th August from 10.30—11.30. Entry is Free.

### Getting kids into nature


### P & C Meeting

Tuesday 3rd September at 2.30 pm at the school

### Student of the Week

**Isabella Hurney-Butcher**  
For always being an enthusiastic and independent worker in class

**Gemma Colley**  
For a great effort in Writing

**Bridget O’Brien**  
For outstanding commitment to recorder and homework

### Updated Medical Details Forms

New Medical Details forms were sent home to parents who identified medical issues for their child/children on enrolment. Please return these completed forms to school as soon as possible. We want to take the BEST care of your child, but are unable to if we are not provided with the most up-to-date information.