Dear parents and carers,
Thank you for a great first term, it has been another highly focused term for parents and teachers to ensure that children are working hard to achieve their learning outcomes. Thank you to our teachers for the professionalism and commitment to their work and the work with parents to optimise learning for all.

Tonight’s P&C meeting at 7.00pm will enable parents to give us feedback about the Parent Meeting held at Bega Valley PS on Wednesday evening as well as consult with parents who will nominate representatives to work with staff to review the Student Welfare Policy during one of the sessions on the Tuesday Staff Development Day.

Also the Annual School Report (ASR) will be presented at the P&C meeting reflecting surveys conducted in term 4 2012. The ASR is the culmination of the school evaluation cycle that runs throughout the year, the report is available on the school website. The executive group from the P&C will meet at 6.00pm in the library to determine forward planning.

Tomorrow is the Cross Country Carnival, following an early lunch the carnival will start at 1.00pm. Parent helpers are asked to see Mrs Collins if they are able to assist with the course.

Friday evening some of the children will be performing in the Candelo Village Festival program in the park from 6.30pm. On Saturday a group of children from Kindy to Year 6 have nominated to be part of the Festival Parade. The children will meet at school at 1.00pm to dress for the parade. (Some children have arranged with Kate Burke to be part of the Mr Tim workshop at 11.30 – 12.30 and will be in the COLA at school. Best wishes to all of the children who have given terrific support of this community event.

Parents please note that there are two staff Development Days for the beginning of term 2 on Monday/Tuesday, 29/30 April. Staff will travel to Quaama PS for training with the small schools in the Australian curriculum on Monday and work at Candelo PS on Tuesday to review a part of the Student Welfare Policy with parent representatives; place students on the literacy and numeracy continuums in Sentral and explore resources in technology to enhance teaching and learning programs.

Children return to school on WEDNESDAY 1 MAY.

ANZAC DAY April 25 will fall during the April school holidays. Traditionally Candelo students have represented the school in the Anzac March Past convening at 10.00 at the Town Hall on Anzac Day. Children should wear full school uniform for this formal occasion and school hats. Our school leaders will lead the school march carrying the school flag and then present the prayers on behalf of the school, at the community service. Teachers will meet the children at the Town Hall for the march past.

Congratulations to all of the children who showed their support for Autism Awareness week by wearing BLUE and donating coins last week. Thank you to Jenny Sheedy, Michelle Mark and Molly Went as well as Aiden Mark and Kaiden Went who all helped deepen our understanding during the special assembly. School leader Emily Weller and Angus Cameron contributed greatly to the organisation of the day and were awarded principal’s awards for their work. Jenny reported that, “At lunch today I saw a perfect example of how peer led socialisation really works, the Year 6 kids were amazing in their leadership, organisational skills and inclusiveness. They modelled everything that is good and right. At one point Oscar Carrett had the kids all playing soccer and playing by the rules with no meltdowns!! The parliament leaders created a brilliant lunchtime.” Well done everyone!
NAPLAN tests for Year 3 and Year 5 students are scheduled for Week 3 term 2, from Tuesday 14 May to Thursday 16 May. The tests will be in Reading, Language (and Spelling), Writing (persuasive writing) and Numeracy. A parent letter will accompany the newsletter.

Thank you to Kacey Weller and Sunny Gill for their work in the canteen this week and to the Candelo staff for their support of the P&C April Markets BBQ. There is a great sense of community spirit in our terrific little school.

Best wishes to all of the children for a wonderful break full of reading books, exploring and trying some new activities.

**STUDENT WELFARE:**

Implementing the Attendance Policy we are reminded that **regular attendance** at school is essential to assist students to maximise their potential. Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. Encouraging regular attendance is a core school responsibility. In term 1 we had an attendance rate of 97.4%. There are 17 students who have not missed a day.

Ms Johansen consulted with members of the school community for the purpose of the Live Life Well@School submission. The next step is to work with parent representatives through the canteen, to develop the plan to support the healthy canteen, fruit and vegetable platter and plans around fitness. Congratulations to Lily Mark for receiving her Bronze Award this week.

**SPORT:**

- Please note that the **School Cross Country Carnival** will be held tomorrow Friday 12 April. It will be held at 1pm following an early lunch. We would love parents to come along to support this activity and to assist with supervision on the track.
- **Zone Cross Country** 10 May will be held at Wolumla for the children who qualify following our carnival.
- AFL Clinics have been organised for all classes as part of the sport program on Thursday 9 and 16 May. Unfortunately the planned program for last Friday was postponed.

**PERFORMING ARTS:**

- Recorder workshops will continue each Tuesday afternoon at 2.00pm in the music room. Thank you to the parents who are supporting students to learn the music (at least 5 mins practice EVERY DAY) for the Opera House Recorder program. (Opera House Instrumental Music Mimosa Concert on Thursday 29 August.)
- **SCIP Wind program** each Wednesday during school time, please apply to Helen Gill re this program of individual and small group tuition.
- The children who are able to attend the parade on the afternoon of Saturday 13 April as part of the Candelo Festival Movement group are asked to come to the school library at 1.00pm to dress and have makeup applied for the parade. We will then assemble under the big plane tree next to the Candelo Bridge at 2:15. The Festival Parade has been locked in for 2:45 - 3:15pm on Festival day (Sat April 13). An information note for parents was sent home earlier this week.

**SCHOOL PARLIAMENT:**

**Stewart House fundraiser**

Bouncy Balls are on sale at a cost $3.00 each, please support the Stewart House program attended by children from country areas.

**K/1/2 NEWS:**

It has been a long first term and I think lots of our lovely children are ready for a well deserved break. The wonderful Kinders should be commended for putting their best foot forward all term and have adapted well to our class routines. Year 1 and 2 have developed their independent working skills and have been essential leaders in the class. Overall a great energetic and keen bunch of learners!

Our last big event this term will be tomorrow with everyone from Kinder to Year 6 participating in the school cross country. We will all be having an early lunch and starting the cross country races at 1:00. The cross country race involves a lap around the school grounds. Kinders, Yr 1 and Yr 2 will be up second after the 8/9 year olds. Kinders will do 1 lap and Yr 1/2 will complete two laps. We have been preparing ourselves during fitness each morning this week, developing some 'huff and puff' and improving our stamina. Come along and join in the cheering.

Thank you to our parent helpers this term, Zoe Mare-Zanelli and Michelle Mark for volunteering your time to help with our math groups. It is appreciated by us all. If you would like to be a helper please let me know, an extra pair of hands is always welcome. There will be no Junior Assembly this week so awards will be handed out in class.
**Awards this Week**
Firstly congratulations to LILY MARK on reaching her BRONZE AWARD. An excellent effort!
Home Reading - Lily Mark (T500) WOW!!
Maths - Renee Alcock, Jessica Heffernan.
Fairness - Blair Childs, Alexandra Zuvela.
Have a great restful Holiday see you all next term.
Deb.

**YEAR 2/3/4 NEWS:**
What a warm and wonderful final week it has been filled with many authentic learning opportunities. The school has been alive with community spirit in preparation for the Candelo Village Festival. Our class has created some other worldly sea creatures made from recycled materials and many students have been diligently practicing for the much anticipated parade. In the final activity for the science study on materials, students will be designing an outfit for a particular scenario and providing detailed justification of their material choices. A busy week of mathematics has included subtraction, timetables and end of term assessments. Literacy sessions have culminated in letter writing with the class enjoying composing letters that showcase their improvements in language. If you haven’t had the chance don’t forget to ask your children to give you a guided tour of the class blog and feel encouraged to post constructive comments and praise. The students use the strategy “Two Stars and a Wish” when commenting on published work. This involves highlighting two positive attributes of the student’s article and one suggestion to improve future writing tasks. A big thank you to the wonderful students in 2/3/4 for their commitment to learning and for working to create a productive and caring classroom. We are very much looking forward to Term 2! Congratulations to award winners Lachlan Charlton-Seaman, Lachlan O’ Brien, Chase Mare-Zanelli, Isabel Gill and Rebecca Airey. Warm wishes for a safe and merry holiday.
Mrs Reeve and Mrs Collins.

**To keep you puzzling in the holidays……...**
**The Frustrated Farmer.** A farmer must transport a fox, a chicken, and bag of corn across a river in a row boat. She can only take one thing at a time. If the fox is left alone with the chicken (on either side of the river), it will eat the chicken. Likewise, if the chicken is left alone with the bag of corn, it will eat the corn. To solve this puzzle, you must find a way for the farmer to get the fox, the chicken, and the bag of corn safely across the river.

**YEAR 5/6 NEWS:**
Parents will receive a letter today about the NAPLAN tests planned for week 3 next term for year 5 students. We have completed some review sessions in numeracy and literacy and the majority of students are achieving at or above age appropriate results. The writing skills have improved remarkably and children have great understanding of persuasive writing strategies. There are some children who have not been able to complete the work in the given time and I encourage children to work at home and in our before school class on Thursday mornings in numeracy. There have been some excellent cooperative work strategies in class, children collaborating to help each other achieve our goals. I applaud the children for the care that they show each other and the compassion that they continue to learn.
Premier’s Reading Challenge has each child striving to read 20 books between Christmas 2012 and September 2013. Don’t forget to catch up on reading during the holidays! Thank you for a wonderful term, it has been very busy and very enjoyable.
Awards for excellent results in numeracy and literacy: Janet and Oscar G
Excellent improvement and confidence in numeracy and literacy: Brittney and Bailey
Outstanding drawing skills: Jackie
Regards, Mrs Bourke.

**LIBRARY NEWS:**
The theme for Bookweek 2013 is: “Read Across The Universe”. Our annual Bookweek celebrations will take place on Tuesday 20th August 2013. Congratulatations to the following children for borrowing the most books for Term 1 2013.They all received awards and prizes. Ada, Bailey, Annabelle, Lucinda, Xavier, Robert, Lily and Sam. A wonderful effort from all these children. Also a big THANKYOU to the Went family for donating the following book to the School Library: ‘The Red Beast’ by K.I.AI-Ghani. Happy Reading in the holidays. Regards, Merryl Whitby.

**WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN:**
The Woolworths Earn & Learn program is back! From Monday 8th April until Sunday 9th June 2013, when you shop at Woolworths you will be given a Woolworths Earn & Learn Point, there’ll be one for every $10 spent. (excluding cigarettes, liquor and gift cards.) Collect these Woolworths Earn & Learn Points, return to Candelo Public School and we will be able to redeem these for educational resources.
UNIVERSITY OF NSW COMPETITON:
***Final Reminder*** If you would like your child to participate in the 2013 International competitions, please return permission note by tomorrow.

P&C NEWS:

P&C Meeting on Tonight.

Candelo Festival BBQ Roster for 13 April.

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Amanda: Onions  Sonia: Tomatoes  Wendy: Lettuce
Collect vegies & buckets from Bowlo late Friday afternoon

CAINTEEN NEWS:
No canteen first week back.

SCIP NEWS:
Thankyou everyone for all your hard work this term.
Festival Opening Concert – Friday 12th April: We are meeting at the Festival Stage in Candelo Park at 5.30pm. Dress is ALL BLACK. Please bring your instrument and music.
Festival Parade – Sat. 13th April: Please meet at the Plane tree opposite the Town Hall at 2.15pm. You just need your instrument. Wear whatever you like.
Term 2: Lessons and band rehearsals begin on Wednesday 1st May
If you have any queries or concerns, please don’t hesitate to contact me. Helen Gill 6493 2448

COMMUNITY NEWS ITEMS:

APRIL 2013 SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

WEEK ONE

**Bermagui Library** – Tuesday 16th April – Come along and make your own “Door hanger” for 7 years+
Cost $2.00. 10.30am till 11.30am
Book by ringing 64992411

**Merimbula Library** – Wednesday 17th April – Simple crafts for 7 years+
Cost $2.00. 10.30am till 11.30am
Book by ringing 64992481

**Bega Library** – Thursday 18th April – Story time for 7 years and under. 10.30am till 11.30am
Book by ringing 64992127

WEEK TWO

**Bega Library** – Wednesday 24th April – Come along and make finger puppets and paper plate creatures. 7 years+ 10.30am till 11.30am. Cost $2.00
Need to book 64992127

**Bermagui Library** – Friday 26th April – Story time with small craft for Under 7 years 10.30am till 11.30am
Need to book 64992411

Wii games are also available during school holidays.

You are invited to attend a

Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Workshop
In: Bega  When: Monday 15th April 2013.
At: Bega Valley Shire Council Zingel Place, Bega.
Starting time: 3pm. Cost: FREE

Topics covered will include: What is Tidy Towns and what are the benefits, what the assessors are looking for, and how towns can get involved in the Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Program.

Current categories for the Awards are:
Overall Award
New Town Award
Bush Spirit Award
Young Legends Award
OEH Wildlife Corridors Award
PSF Waste and Litter Award
OEH Cultural Heritage Award
Schools Environment Award
Water Conservation and Energy Efficiencies Award