Another term begins and as you can see by the calendar attached we are once again going to be very busy! The students have started off with great enthusiasm and it is a pleasure to work with them everyday. This term we are studying “Ancient Egypt” and there is a real buzz around the classroom sharing ideas and learning new information.

Mr Bruce has now been employed for two days a week until the rest of the year. He will be here on Thursdays and Fridays. (if this doesn't clash with his golf!)

This term we have been successful enough to received a grant from “Sporting Schools” to continue our after schools program. This term we are going to be doing Little Athletics and Nicky Flawell from Edenhope is going to be running these sessions. The first session begins on Monday 27th July. 3.45 - 4.45. The students will be provided with a healthy snack beforehand.

The students have been busy fundraising for their school camp by attending the market and selling their own individual products. This is proving to be a very educational exercise for them and they are making some extra funds along the way. The SRC (Student Representative Council) voted to run the traditional Cadbury Chocolate Drive to raise some more additional funds. Students will be selling large chocolate frogs for $1.00, so please have your loose change handy!

On Monday the Parent Opinion Survey will be sent home. Could you please take the time to fill it in and send back to school by Friday 31st - the time span is only 5 days! You feedback is important to us and our school community.

Next week Mrs Pretlove is going in to have her long awaited operation. We are thinking of her at this very daunting time and send all our love her way. She will be in Adelaide for quite some time recovering, so if you are down that way don’t forget to call in and say hi. I am sure she will enjoy seeing some familiar faces.

Parent Club are having a meeting on Monday 27th July at 10.00 to discuss a few issues and events they have planned. Please come along and have your say!  

Tanya Turner
The School Council has approved the introduction of a bucket hat to the school uniform. This was an initiative from the SRC. They wrote a letter to School Council requesting this and they had done a great deal of research presenting prices and making sure that it correlates with the Sun Smart Policy. After some discussion School Council approved the change and they are now available to purchase from school for $10.00. The broad brim hat is also available.

### Market Roster

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### Apsley Alligators

**Venue:** Apsley Primary School  
**Session Time:** Tuesday 9.30am—11.30am  
**Facilitator:** Keryn Smith (0427710205)  
**Cost:** $2 a family session  
**Ages:** Birth to 5 years  
**Please Bring:**  
A healthy fruit snack in a container.  
Water Bottle (with child’s name on it)  
Travel Mug (for parents coffee)  
Hat  

**Everyone Welcome**  
Families will need to stay with their child/ren for the whole session.

### Some interesting facts about reading ..........

Recent research from the University of Edinburgh shows that children who read well at seven do better in IQ tests as teenagers. Reading is the number-one skill for parents to encourage in the early years of school. Insist that your child reads to you for 10 minutes every day – if you do it at the same time each day, it becomes automatic and moaning should be minimal. Keep the habit going even when the child is fluent, as it improves comprehension.

We have put this information in, in the hope of parents realising how important this task is. We do have a couple of families that listen to their children on a daily basis, but there are some families who’s son or daughter could benefit from regular reading.

### Sunday 26th July

The students are having a stall this month at the market. Pop down to have one of Eloise’s, Damon’s and Hayden’s special coffees with a home made yo yo or chocolate ball. Damon and Hayden are also selling their “MAGNIFICENT MANURE” for $5.00 a bag. Great for all types of gardens.

**10am - 2pm**

### Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser

The students will be selling chocolate frogs as a fundraiser for their camp - $1.00