This is Education Week for Public Schools in NSW. We have a couple of activities organised for our students; firstly the Year 5 students will be participating in an excursion to the Riverina Environmental Education centre with Miss Sini tomorrow, then on Thursday we have the second of our mosaic workshops for all students. On Wednesday we have our usual cooking program and I would like to invite parents/grandparents to join us for lunch if they are able to. Parents are also most welcome to come and have a look at the wonderful mosaic work the students are making under the professional instruction of Kerrie Bellette.

Last Friday we planted 30 native trees and shrubs, kindly supplied by Tumut Landcare. We planted 15 Hardenbergia violacea (happy wanderer) along the front fence to match the one that is already there. We also planted shrubs behind the library to replace the ones that had died and where we had got rid of the daisy snake haven.

Next Thursday we will host the first of our cultural exchange visits when Whitton Public School visit for the day. I hope this will be the first of several visits this semester. Mayor, Trina Thompson will be visiting next Wednesday as part of Local Government Week. Trina will be bringing the mayoral chains for the students to see and she will be staying for lunch. Parents are welcome to join us on this occasion as well.

Information has arrived about this year's Arabin Cup T-Ball Competition. We had a great day at this carnival last year however the date for the carnival is Friday 12th September, which is a 'closed' Friday. I am happy to combine with another school to make a team of 15, but only if I have the full support of all of our students prepared to play on the day. Please let me know whether your children will participate by next Friday (8th August).

Enjoy your week,

Jen

Thought of the Week
An Obstacle is often a 'Stepping Stone'

Fruit Break
Please remember to send a piece of fruit in everyday to share at fruit break.
**Coming Events**

**TERM 3**

**Week 3**
All Week - *Education Week*
Mon 28\(^{th}\) July - Puggles
Tues 29\(^{th}\) July - Year 5 REEC Wagga
Wed 30\(^{th}\) July - Education week Lunch
Thurs 31\(^{st}\) July - Guitar lessons
                     Mosaic lesson
Fri 1\(^{st}\) Aug – 9 day fortnight

**Week 4**
Wed 6\(^{th}\) Aug - Local Government Week
Trina Thompson lunch
Thurs 7\(^{th}\) Aug - Whitton Public School visit to Brungle EEC.

**Tree Planting Day**

**Cooking**

Last week we cooked a beautiful Vegetable Chow Mein followed by some delicious Banana Bread.

**Mosaic**

We have started some Mosaic lessons with Mrs Kerrie Bellette on Thursdays. Everyone has come up with some very creative ideas and thoroughly enjoying learning something new.