All year our Primary students have been building up to their performance in the CHORDS biannual concert at the Wagga Wagga Civic Theatre. The students started by learning the 15 songs at school together. They then attended a number of rehearsals at Tolland Public School with choir mistresses Mrs McGregor and Mrs Gollasch, where the students honed their skills and learnt about keeping with the note as they sing the melody.

Yesterday the students had their final rehearsal which was on the stage of the Civic Theatre with students from a number of other schools around Wagga. Then we had our first live performance in front of the Infants students and students from other schools. It was great to see so many smiling faces looking at us and enjoying us singing the songs we had spent so long learning.

Our final performance was last night. The theatre was full of extremely proud parents and siblings who enjoyed a variety of different songs. Some of our favourite songs were: Geronimo, Rain Melody, and the Cup Song.
Calendar

Term 4

Term 4, Week 4
Thurs 29 Oct  Music Count Us In 12:30pm

Term 4, Week 5
Thurs 5 Nov  Movie Night—Wagga Public Student created videos
            ** POSTPONED**
Fri 6 Nov  Primary Assembly Item

Term 4, Week 6
Wed 11 Nov  Remembrance Day Ceremony

Term 4, Week 7
Fri 20 Nov  Infants Assembly Item

Term 4, Week 8
Wed 25 Nov  Bilby visit
Thurs 26 Nov  Movie Night—WWPS (TBC)

Term 4, Week 9
Mon 30 Nov  School Captain nominations due
Thurs 3 Dec  School Captain speeches
            WWHS Production
Fri 4 Dec  Primary Assembly Item

Principal’s Note

I was extremely proud yesterday and last night of our students who represented our school at the biannual CHORDS festival at the Wagga Civic Theatre. The students have been dedicated to learning the lyrics over the last few terms and they shone on stage last night. Well done everyone!

Today all students had the opportunity to join in with the Music Count Us In program which brings together students from all across the state to learn a song to sing on the same day and time via a video conference. The students joined other public school students who were on stage at the Sydney Opera House singing “GOLD”. “GOLD” was written by musician John Foreman and Marcia Hines just for this amazing event.

The Movie Night at Wagga Wagga Public School has been delayed until later in the term to allow the other schools more time to complete the videos. Students across the small schools have been creating videos that demonstrate what makes their school so amazing. A selection of videos from our school will be viewed that night. All parents and grandparents are invited to attend the night to see what our students have been creating.

Our final Kindergarten Orientation day was held yesterday and the prospective students all enjoyed another fantastic day with Mrs K.

Congratulations to all our students for their artwork, posters and books for the CWA International Country of the Year—Italy. A number of posters and books were selected to go to the Regional finals and we were delighted to have some winners. Congratulations to Caitlyn, Logan, Flora and Toby who received certificates for their presentations. A huge shout out to Toby whose book was selected to represent the Riverina and has been sent to the State level.

Kirrilee Post
Principal

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Lucky Numbers

We continue to be grateful to the Crossroads Hotel for its ongoing support of our school. Each month we run Lucky Numbers at the hotel. Thank you to everyone for supporting our Lucky Numbers by buying or selling tickets. In the coming weeks Lucky Numbers will be run by:

6 November — Burkinshaw Family
20 November — Guiton Family
4 December — Gunn Family
18th December — Hughes Family

What have we been learning in class?

From the Infants Classroom – With Mrs Koschel
It has been a busy week in Infants this week. For maths this week we have been doing measurement. Year Two has been revising millimetres, centimetres, and metres. Kindergarten has been learning about things being near and far and learning about the need for having a formal measurement. Year One have also been learning about centimetres and metres. In English this week we learnt the sound ‘mp’ as in lamp and Kindergarten have been learning words from the word families ‘ack’ and ‘ad’. We have also been continuing on with our explanation writing. We pretended an alien had landed at our school and we had to explain to the alien why we wore clothes. The students enjoyed writing this and there were some well thought out reasons. This week has been full of assessments as well and it has been pleasing to see the growth they have all made. We had our last Kindergarten orientation on Wednesday and we were very lucky to see the upper primary students perform at the Chords concert. I just wanted to say a big thank you to those wonderful parents who provided the transport for us.

From the Primary Classroom – With Miss Post & Mrs Brett
This week while Miss Post has been away the Primary class have had Mrs Brett and Mrs Dunn teaching us. In History we continued our projects on Early Sea Explorers where we have been researching a number of explorers and then creating a digital presentation to email to Miss Post. CHORDS rehearsal and practise for our “GOLD” performance took centre stage this week as we polished our skills for these events. In Maths we continued our studies of tessellating shapes and made some as well. We have been working on our grammar, comprehension and handwriting skills and are enjoying reading our novel aloud to the class.
Music Count Us In

Today we joined 550,000 students across NSW in participating in the Music Count Us In program. The whole school has been learning a song called “GOLD” which was written by John Foreman and Marcia Hines. Today we linked in to the Opera House, students who were on top of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and many other students across the state to sing the song.

Halloween Dress Up

The students lobbied hard today to convince us that they should be allowed to dress up tomorrow for Halloween. So because we are always interested in having fun at school we have decided to get dressed up. If students would prefer they can come in mufti instead. The students decided they wanted to bring a gold coin donation to participate. Since it is such late notice please do not go into a panic and rush in to Wagga to buy a costume. Homemade props will be more than enough. Wear sneakers for sport please.

Operation Art—$23

For those students who have nominated to attend Operation Art next week Mrs Brett will be sending home an additional note today. The money can be paid via our website.