This year our student enrolment has shown only a small decline since 2012. This has been the smallest decline in 5 years. We thank the community for supporting our school. Currently we have 184 students, compared to 189 students in 2012. However, we will be having a reduction of 1 teacher to our staffing entitlement. We will let parents and students know as soon as possible what changes there will be to our organisation, and we will have a new timetable by the end of this term.

I am very pleased that parents have been visiting our school, because without their ideas and contributions we cannot provide the quality of schooling that is essential for all of our students. We cannot promise to fix every problem. We accept that some things we have and do are not perfect, but there are so many positive aspects we do achieve at our school. I encourage everyone to focus on the positives so we continue to improve the learning outcomes for our students.

**2013 DER – NSW Parent Survey**
The NSW DEC is seeking your views on the NSW one-to-one laptop program. A formal evaluation of the program is being undertaken by the New South Wales Department of Education and Communities. It is an effort to determine how the DERNSW program may impact on learning and teaching education across the state. Please use the link below and complete the 2013 survey. It won’t take you too long.


**Celebration of 90 years of Secondary Education in Hay**
The HWMHS Ex-students association are welcoming ex-students, ex-teachers, family and friends of Hay to celebrate 90 years of secondary education at our school on Thursday 25th April 2013. Their dinner plans are well in place so please contact members of the association for more details. On behalf of the school we thank the HWMHS Ex-students Association for their continued and active association with our school.
Action now that can prevent disaster in the future – Cover up in the Sun
We encourage all students to be certain that they are wearing hats during breaks and during outside activities. Sadly we continue to ignore all the warnings about the dangers of skin cancers and melanomas. Melanoma is now one of the leading causes of death in Australia, and too often these cancers could have been prevented if people had simply protected themselves earlier in life.

The HWMHS P&C have been discussing the need for wearing hats and are proposing to trial a “Bucket” style hat. Skin cancer and melanoma are not laughing matters.

Enjoy the rest of the week,
Mr Y Chambers, Principal.

Agriculture Report  Teacher Mr James Caughey

Aberline Dorper and White Dorper Stud fundraiser
On Saturday 2nd March the High School sheep showing team of the Aberline Dorper and White Dorper Stud held a barbeque out the front of Mackers Meats in Lachlan Street to raise much needed funds to assist with costs associated with running the sheep stud.

We would like to thank the community for supporting the barbeque, we have had lots of comments on how nice the meat was to eat.

Thank you also to those people that donated money on the day as well as Mackers Meats for processing the meat and allowing us to hold the fundraiser in front of their shop.

Congratulations to Brandon Burns, Aaron McDougall, Jayden Wall, Jacob Watkin, Kate and Jodie Hicks, Dillon Cox, Toby Bevan, Sophie and Heidi Stephens, Luke Arandt, Hannah McGufficke and Ebony Crighton for a successful barbeque.

Since beginning in 2010 the stud sheep have won over 100 ribbons. This year we are gearing up to attend 4 shows and to sell our first stud animals at the Australian Sheep and Wool Show held in Bendigo.

Positive Behaviour For Learnling (PBL) with the PBL team

PBL Update
The PBL team is currently in the early stages of reviewing Hay War Memorial High School’s Discipline Policy. Regular updates of the PBL process will be provided in this section of the newsletter.

PBL Canteen Voucher Recipients

| Tyler Higgins       | Shayla Rosewarne | Tallara Cooper |
| Joe Petts          | Lily Tasssell    | Bree Miller    |
| Dylan Lund         | Corey Poole      | Maddy O’Brien  |
| Kynan Headon       | Zane Gash        | Chloe Gleeson  |
| Kia Viggars        | Madeline Headon  | Yolanda Miller |
| Belle Barnes       | Laura Booth      |                |
| Toby Crighton      | Joe Petts        |                |
| Corey Curtis       | Lachlan Woods    |                |
| Darcy Hedt         | Jayden Clarke x2 |                |

Week 7 Focus Responsibility and being prepared for learning

Term 1 Week 5 iTunes voucher winner

Ben Pittman
Careers with Ms Beth Schiller

Enrolled Nursing scholarships for the Murrumbidgee Local Health District
The following information from a recent media release may interest some of our ex-students, future students or community members.

Education Minister and Member for Murrumbidgee Adrian Piccoli and Health Minister Jillian Skinner yesterday announced 350 fully-funded scholarships for the Diploma of Enrolled Nursing program, with a guaranteed job offer at a NSW public hospital upon completion of the course.

"It is great news for the Murrumbidgee, as the government has subsidised 17 placements for people who will be trained at Riverina TAFE, Griffith campus," Mr Piccoli said.

"I took a personal interest in this program given the trouble we have had attracting Nurses to our area and I have long campaigned for the importance of local training for local people.

"This is the best way of staffing local people in our local hospitals into the future. "The graduates will then join the many hard-working nurses on wards in hospitals throughout the Murrumbidgee Local Health District.

"This Government understands how difficult it can be to find nurses in rural and regional NSW so it’s great that almost 150 of these scholarships will be available to assist nurses working in hospitals outside of Sydney.”

Scholarship applications are now open and close March 22, 2013. Successful scholarship applicants will commence the TAFE course from May 2013. The course duration is 12 -18 months.

To find out more and for an application package, visit: www.health.nsw.gov.au/nursing

Media Contact: Murrumbidgee Electorate Office 6962 6644

Student Representative Council Report Teacher in Charge Mrs Ingrid Jackson

Congratulations to the following Year 7 students who nominated and were appointed to the Student Representative Council for 2013: Lachlan Woods, Jacqueline Darlow, Shayla Rosewarne, Laura Cox and Hannah Duncan. We look forward to working with you.

The SRC are busy planning a social for this term, fundraising by selling chocolates in support of C4SE and using funds to provide shade near the basketball courts. We hope to provide mirrors for the junior girls’ toilets in the quadrangle and the girls’ change room in the Spirit of Anzac Centre. The SRC have also been providing very useful feedback to the PBL team from a student perspective as to the positive rewards strategies.

Thank you to this wonderful team of students!

Computer Tips

* Good password practice
  - Always keep your password to yourself
  - Always be the only person to use your password
  - Never write down a password
  - Never communicate a password by telephone, e-mail or instant messaging
  - Log off before leaving a computer unattended
Attendance and Absences

**Must I send my child every day?**
Yes. It is a condition of enrolment that you send your child to school every day. A small number of absences may be justified if your child:

- has to go to a special religious ceremony
- is required to attend to a serious and/or urgent family situation (e.g., a funeral)
- is too sick to go to school or has an infectious illness

**What should I do if my child has to stay away from school?**
If your child has to be absent from school, it is important to tell the school and provide a reason for your child’s absence. To explain an absence parents and carers may:

- send a note, fax or email to the school
- telephone the school, or
- visit the school.

All absences must be explained to the school.

### Canteen

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### P & C Information

**MEETINGS** 1st Thursday of the Month during Term at 7:30pm

Term 1 meetings: Thursday 7th March 2013 (includes AGM), Thursday 4th April 2013

**UNIFORMS** The P & C supports the wearing of the correct school uniform by HWMHS students. To encourage this we run a uniform pool at the school where most items of clothing are under $5.00. If you have items of uniform that you wish to donate please leave them at the front office.

**Woollen School Jumpers** — The school will be ordering new knitted woollen brown or grey, machine washable, jumpers in time for Term 2. Orders to be handed in at the front office. Some larger sizes are available now.

### CALENDAR

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For so much, what shall we repay?