This term has certainly been a busy one and we have a little over a week to go! In that time we have a number of activities to complete before we break for the holidays.

**Italian Celebrations**

In both classes the children have completed a study of Italy as part of our HSIE. As a part of this cultural study they have learnt about the traditional foods, famous people and the rich language and culture of Italy. To finish the unit next Tuesday, the children will participate in a cultural day where they will prepare and eat traditional Italian food, play Italian games, use the phrases they have learnt during the day and immerse themselves in the cultural side of Italy. There will be a nominal cost of $3 per child. This will help cover the cost of lunch. Grazie!

**Friday Sport**

This week will be the last week of our AFL, Netball and Soccer sports program at Mandurama PS. The students have had great fun learning the skills, playing the games and enjoying the company of the other children from Mandurama and Carcoar. It has been terrific to be a part of the Sporting Schools Program.
End of Semester Assembly
Next Thursday we will hold our end of semester assembly. We would like to invite you all to come along and join us to celebrate our successes for Semester 1. It will also be an opportunity for you to hear our award winning eisteddfod poetry and our school band for the first time.

Library
We are on the hunt for our library books as some seem to have escaped and are now hiding or lurking in homes around Lyndhurst! With the term ending, we would appreciate if you could have a rummage around your bookshelves for any of our library books and return them please as we are currently missing a large number of books.

Little Learners
Our Little Learners program will begin again next term. If you know of any students who will be starting Kindergarten in 2016 and would like to join our program, please ask them to contact the school for details.

NAIDOC Day
NAIDOC celebrations will again be held at Mandurama Public School on the last Friday of term. Over the course of the day the students will rotate around a variety of activities. A note will go home early next week.

Notes
It is a legal requirement and Department Policy that if your child is absent from school an explanation must be supplied within 7 days. To assist us with meeting this requirement, a letter will be sent home to any family with unexplained absences.

Lost Property
We currently have a lot of lost property! If there is no name on clothing we cannot return it to the owner. Please ensure that a name label is on all children’s jumpers. Please also check the jumpers at home as we have owners who do have names in their clothing but have lost them. They all look the same and it is quite possible that someone has accidently picked the wrong jumper up and taken it home. Many thanks.

Hot Food Friday!
Lasagne
Ham & Pineapple Pizzas
Meat pies
Giant Sausage rolls
Spinach & ricotta Rolls
*Only $3 each