The swimming sports were a great day and all the children should be pleased with their effort.

Many students were prepared to compete in challenging events and they persevered to complete their race. It was great to see the students encouraging each other along.

Thank you again to the many parents, family and friends who came along and supported the students. It was great to have parents and helpers assist with many roles particularly that of time keeping.

As well as the traditional events some of the novelty events designed to cater for all students were the egg and spoon race, the floating ball challenge, hoop activities and the whole school sponge bucket filling relay.

Three students Lugaidh Jennings-Gallagher, Joshua Everingham and Thomas Holschier qualified to compete in the West Zone Regional finals in Orange on Friday the 26th of Feb and we wish them all the best if they are able to travel and compete.

The final results were:

- Abednego (Green) 140
- Shadrach (Blue) 175
- Meshach (Red) 211

Congratulations to Meshach team who won both the Primary and Secondary Competitions and to Mrs Chernov and Nicholas who came to help their Red house.

It was particularly pleasing that students followed the Sunsmart advice and that there were no first aid injuries.

The lifeguards commented on the excellent behaviour and the polite manners of all the students. Well done.
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Last Friday I spent the day at the Deniliquin Swimming Pool as the School was holding its annual Swimming Carnival there. I was very impressed by the behaviour of our students both in and out of the pool. It was a hot day, but there was a cool breeze at times and the students in general kept up the sunscreen and wore hats and shirts to keep themselves safe from the UV radiation.

At the end of the day I was pleased to be told by the lifeguard that she was impressed by our students’ conduct. She said they were very courteous at the Canteen and were cooperative and well behaved throughout the day. Well done to our students and a big thank you to all the parents who helped and the staff who worked hard all day to ensure the success of this important activity.

On Monday our School was visited by two people on behalf of the Missionary Aviation Fellowship (MAF). Our visitors presented an interesting talk to all the students about their work in various parts New Guinea, Indonesia. After their presentation students across all grades had the opportunity during the day to try their hand at flying, using the flight simulator brought to the School by our visitors. Many of them did a lot better than I did on my attempt to land the plane.

Presenting our students with opportunities for Christian service in Australia and around the world is an important aspect of our School’s teaching and learning program. Thank you to Mrs Paul for making this visit possible.

This week in their Friday devotions our secondary students were reminded of God’s sustaining power. I hope you too find these words encouraging as you go through life.

“They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings as eagles.” Isaiah 40:31

Andrew P Pullar