Dear Year 5 & 6 Parents,

The Western Plains Cultural Centre is currently presenting an educational exhibition called “Courage to Care” at the Dubbo Regional Art Gallery. This program is specifically directed at the importance of tolerance and understanding of minority groups in our multicultural society.

The exhibition is based on the rescuers of Jews during the Holocaust and includes memorabilia and audiovisual presentations that document the stories of survivors and their rescuers. There also is a Dubbo local hero included. The courageous people shown here are an example to us all of the power of an individual to make a difference. “Courage to Care” presents this message in a contemporary context, empowering students to care for their fellow human beings with the courage that this sometimes can take.

Stage 3 teachers will be taking their classes to this presentation this term which involves PDHPE Syllabus outcomes and also includes anti-bullying themes which are incorporated in our current Peer Support Program.

There is no cost to schools for this program and in addition the “Courage to Care” organisation will pay for the cost of the buses to and from the Art Gallery.

Structure of the visit:
1. Introduction with short video
2. Guided Exhibition viewing
3. Talk by a Holocaust survivor
4. “Living in Harmony” workshop

We will also take the opportunity to view the Archibald Prize exhibition which is also currently on display at the Art Gallery. Please fill in the permission note for your child and return to your child’s class teacher.

Yours sincerely

Sue Nuttall
On behalf of the Stage 3 teachers.