



NEWSLETTER

Term 3
August 7th, 2019

Exceptional Educational Experiences

DATES TO REMEMBER

MusicaViva performance @ Whitfield	Thur 15 th Aug
Whole School Bike Ride – Milawa area	Fri 16 th Aug
3-6 cooking	Tues 20 th Aug
School council meeting @ 7pm	Tues 20 th Aug
4-6s Ski Camp 3days/2night	Wed 28 th - Fri 30 th Aug
Proud & Deadly Indigenous awards @ WHS	Thur 12 th Sept
School Council meeting @ 7pm	Tues 17 th Sept
Charlie & the Choc Factory – Melb.	Wed 18 th Sept
Term 3 ends	Fri 20 th Sept

BIKE ED – Whole school Bike ride. Fri 16th Aug



The whole school will be going on a Bike Ride on Friday 16th August (weather permitting). We will start our ride at the Milawa Recreation Reserve. The older, more able riders will be riding to Wangaratta. The younger riders will ride along the bike path between Milawa and Oxley.

We require some parent helpers on the day.

We would love some parents riding with both groups and we need some to provide trailer transport and vehicle support. If you can help next Friday, please contact me at the school. Thanks for your support. **Please return bike ride permission forms ASAP.**

Mark van Bergen (principal)

SCHOOL CALENDAR DATES

The school calendar dates in the pink text box, provide you with the excursions and events that are happening at the school in the next few weeks. It is important that parents take notice of the events and dates (write them in your diary/calendar).

Grade 4-6's please return ski camp forms and organize clothing ASAP. Thank you ☺

Stick the latest newsletter on your fridge!

'THUMBS UP' AWARD

The Principal's 'Thumbs Up' Award recipients are students that have been seen doing great things at our school.



Maya: For her extra efforts in Bike Ed and improving her bike control and riding skills.

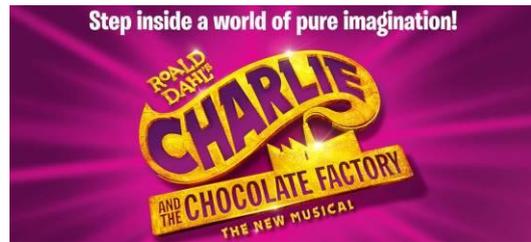
Nina: For working hard on achieving her maths goals.

Emily: For her great work ethic in the gardening sessions.

Ollie: For taking a leading role in Educational Minecraft and being a problem 'solver'.

Emilio: For his courage and confidence in the RRRR workshop and presenting to his class.

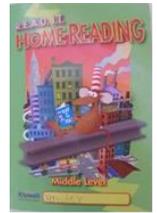
CHARLIE & THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY



On Wednesday 18th September, the whole school will be going to see the production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory at Her Majesty's Theatre in Melbourne. Students in Miss Feldtmann's class having been reading the story by Roald Dahl. The cost will be \$40 per child (the actual cost is \$110 per child, but the Parents Association has subsidised the other \$70 – Thank you parents!)

There are 14 tickets available for one parent per family at cost price \$110. These tickets will be available on a first come first paid basis. After two weeks (Wed 21st Aug) if we have any remaining tickets available we will offer them to additional family and community volunteers.

HOME READING



We have a number of students who have gained a certificate!

Congratulations 75 nights home reading:

Kody

Congratulations 100 nights home reading:

Joah, Nina

Congratulations 125 nights home reading:

Casey

Congratulations 175 nights home reading:

Ruby, Emilio, Milly, Ned, Zoi



Literacy corner

R.R.R.R.

Last Wednesday, three Year 5 students from Whitfield DPS, me (Emilio), Ollie and Zoi went to the Wangaratta High School for an R&R (Respectful Relationships) day for primary school students from all around the region. At my school (Whitfield DPS) we call it R.R.R.R. (Respectful Relationships, Rights & Responsibilities).

We want to embrace it more in our school/community. While we were there, we all made a Y chart. We all wrote down what we think your ideal dream school would be. So, **what it looks like:** example, no criticism or bullies, girls and boys are playing together. **What it sounds like:** everyone is speaking with respect and everyone is complementing each other. And **what it feels like:** a relaxing happy place for anyone.

We also completed a school action planner, it had things like 'what is your goal to improve your school' and 'why do you want to promote this' and 'what will you do' and 'who is your audience?' **We want to promote a gender-based stereotype free school.** We want to do this because it's not fair how boys and girls are treated differently from each other (like you throw like "a Girl" or "only Boys" can do that). If we succeed with our action plan we will hold RRRR day to celebrate the honour of the students and our SCHOOL.
By Emilio & Ollie.



All school newsletters are available on the school website;

www.whitfieldps.vic.edu.au

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE SOCIAL CAUSE

This year we made videos of a social cause that we wanted to support. We came in to one room and watched to the videos. We handed out a sheet with the causes on them. We had to write what our preferences were in order. And then we counted them up and added the total up. The lowest number wins. Here are the causes that we had: Tassie devils, Sea-bin, Girls education, Animal poaching, Amazon deforestation and Climate change. The most preferred was **Sea-bin**. Sea-bin is an organisation that gets rubbish from the ocean. We are supporting this social cause because we don't want animals to die from our rubbish that we put on the ground and then floats in to the ocean. Do you want that to happen? We don't.
By Zoi and Delilah

Social Enterprise - Lasagne prototypes

We have been starting to do some prototypes by make some lasagnes. The first batch was too runny and the second was a bit dry, so next time it will be in between. We added some carrot to the second batch so we didn't have to spend more money on extra meat. The lasagnes have been well cooked and about 2.3kg in weight. In the first batch there was too much milk in the white sauce and in the second batch there was a perfect amount of milk in the white sauce. We are trying to make them smaller because they are pretty big. We have some prototypes in the school freezer, we would like some parents to buy them at cost price so they can give us some feedback on how they taste. By Judd and Paul.



Prototyping

In our school social enterprise, we are making gift cards and lasagne prototypes. So we are selling lasagne samples (2.5kg family size), sample/prototype 1 & 2 are \$20 (for now until we work out the cost to cover and make some profit). We are hoping to get feedback from the community so we can improve our next prototypes.

If you are wanting to buy one of our frozen lasagnes (6 left), come up to the Whitfield Primary School to pay and collect. And with your lasagne we will give you a sheet with a survey on it. You must take the survey and send it back to the school please, ASAP. (Not through the mail) Thank you. W.D.P.S. students.



Cards

In social enterprise we have been making cards. We take the photos at school, we have lots of cool photos like flowers, moss, leaves and plants. We are then printing them on to the special card paper. It took a long time to get it all right. We have been making logos with our business name which is W.D.P.S.E. It stands for Whitfield District Primary Social Enterprise. Our logo is about nature and helping the animals in the sea. By Emily & Normie

MINECRAFT EDUCATION

At school we have started Minecraft Education edition. On Thursday we went to Myrree to learn new things about Minecraft. We have been writing procedures on how to do the Minecraft basics, for example one of the procedures was about how to move in Minecraft. Also, we have been teaching the teachers about playing Minecraft. We also learnt about how to make a garden, do commands and do tests. Minecraft is a blocky way of life (with more lives). It has more things including monsters for example, the most common mob is a zombie. What we will be doing with Minecraft is using it in RRRR (Respectful Relationships, Rights & Responsibilities) to help to learn how to respect

other peoples stuff. We are using it also in maths for multiplication.

By Amy and Owen



KV Cluster sports day – AFL



I was very excited about playing footy at the Recreation Reserve on Friday. The whole KV schools cluster (Edi, Myrree, Moyhu, Greta & Whitfield) year 4-6's were either going to play a match of footy or a match of netball. I was playing footy. I learnt in the morning that Moyhu wouldn't be there so there would be only four schools playing. We played in the afternoon session of school (2-3:30pm). While we were having lunch we saw Greta's bus go past. Soon we then started to walk up to the Recreation reserve. When we were walking down we met Edi & the bigger kids joined us to walk to the Rec reserve. When we arrived we met Greta & Myrree. They were kicking the footy while they were waiting for us. It was a beautiful day as it was very sunny and they had mowed the footy ground. The netballers went to the netball courts & the football players were organised into teams. I was in the KV Black team with Jack from Greta. I knew him from footy in Wangaratta. Mr V.B & Mr Graham from Myrree were umpiring. We started the match & I was in the midfield to start. My team cleared the ball and we had it in our forward line. I then got the ball and check-sided (a type of kick) the first goal of the match. We kicked another goal but KV Red kicked the next two goals to lead 2.2.14 – 2.0.12. My team then dominated the second quarter with Jack kicking three goals for the quarter. The scores were 2.2.14 – 5.4.34. It was the last quarter as we only had time to play three quarters. We had to swap positions so I went and played in the backline. KV Red was desperate to win & they used their run to get the ball over the top. We were also desperate to win as we dived to stop balls from going into the goals. We managed to hold onto the win as we triumphed 4.5.29 – 5.4.34. We won by 5 points. The sports day was very fun but also tiring. By Ned.

Bike Education

In Bike Ed we went around the course which had obstacles like U-turns and bars and even a minefield where you had to dodge the circles. There was also a round-a-bout and a slalom, 2 stop signs and a slow ride where you have to ride slow for 10 seconds. There was also a stop light and a balance bridge. My hard bits are the slalom and minefield, Roberts hard bit is the U-turn, Robert is learning to ride a bike with pedals. And the reason why we're doing Bike Ed is so we learn how to ride a bike safely.
By Robert and Zac.



Cluster Netball

On Friday the cluster schools came to Whitfield, Moyhu did not come. We had to choose a sport out of netball or football. The teams were mixed with girls and boys in netball and footy. Casey and I did netball. Before we started netball we had to warm up, then we got in to three teams, one team was doing ball games while two teams were playing. We swapped positions each quarter, the people who scored the goals were Milly O'Kane from Whitfield and Izzy from Edi. There was one person off and they did the timer and then they went back on the next quarter and someone else went off. Mine and Casey's favourite position are C and GA. All together we had a great time playing Netball with the cluster schools and we had Fun.
By Milly and Casey

On Friday we played netball with kids from our school cluster for our winter sports. We walked to the recreation reserve. There were three teams. First I did ball games then I was a time keeper which was a bit boring. After that I was a goal shooter. I liked it when I was shooting goals. By Toria.

COOKING TERM 3 & 4

A huge thank you to all the parents that have helped out in many ways already this year.

Tuesday 20th Aug _____
Tuesday 10th Sept _____
Tuesday 17th Sept _____

2019 PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. We currently have 8 surveys completed. The Parent Opinion Survey is open until this Sunday 11th August.

The survey will be conducted online, only takes 10-15 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The web address is as follows.

<https://www.orima.com.au/parent>

Parents have been provided last newsletter with a letter containing a PIN number to access Whitfield District Primary Schools survey.

Please speak to the principal at the school if you would like more information or the PIN number for the survey.

END OF DAY ARRANGEMENTS

Please do not leave messages on the school landline for end of day arrangements. We often do not have the ability to answer the phone whilst we are teaching and cannot check the messages until after school.

The OSH phone **0448 298 467** and school mobile **0428 298 286** are both checked every day prior to dismissal at 3:30pm. Messages are conveyed directly to students. **Please ensure your message is provided before 3:30pm.**

SCHOOL BUS TRAVELLERS

Please call Wendy in the morning if your child is not catching the bus to school (and usually does). Mobile **0418 989 938**, she is also on **UHF Ch 40**
Thanks ☺

We have spaces for volunteers to help with the cooking program. Please let Mark know if you can help with any of the dates. Thanks ☺

Tuesday 15th Oct _____
Tuesday 29th Oct _____
Tuesday 12th Nov _____
Tuesday 26th Nov _____ (prep-2's)
Tuesday 10th Dec _____