NEWSLETTER

Term 4
November 9th, 2016

Exceptional Educational Experiences

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Vacation Care Mon 16th - 27th Jan 2017

 Students return Wednesday 1st February, 2017

WHITFIELD CUP DAY

There I was in the final of the Whitfield cup, nervous, tired but energetic and raring to go – all at the same time. Then, “set... GO” and we were off but I was coming second. I was still in it running on adrenalin and power, then I was in front running for the win and nothing could stop me. Nothing did, I won. The cup was mine, me and my jockey Reuben lifted the cup. It was my first time in the final as a horse and my last. But when I won I knew one thing I would never forget, I was the 2016 Whitfield Cup winner.            By Xander

Whitfield Cup Races

I competed in all the races this year they were the sack race, egg and spoon, a sprint, three legged race and the Whitfield Cup! In the Whitfield cup I went with Paul (he was the horse and I was the jockey).

My stall

I ran a popcorn stall on cup day it was with Paul (my buddy), Daphne and Zoi (they were buddies).

Cup Day Stalls

On cup day we did stalls, mine was duck shooting. You had to pick a nerf gun and try to shoot the duck.

I was with Cope, Emilio, and Wirra. You got to have twenty dollars in fake money and spend it on our stalls. It was fun. There were lots of stalls. By Seamus

RACES

My favourite part of the Whitfield Cup was the races. I didn’t come first or second but I had fun which that was what it was all about. For the three legged race my partner was Darcy and I think we came either third or fourth, I can’t quite remember but it was fun especially when we fell over once we crossed the finish line. For the piggy back race, I had Ollie for my jockey and we didn’t come first or second in our race but we did come third which was extremely fun. By Angus

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THE BIG RACE

The Whitfield Cup was the last thing of the day. First we did 3 races. The top 8 went through to the semi finals. Then the two fastest went to the Whitfield Cup race at the end. The horses and jockeys were Mikaylee with Emily on her back, Tom with Inanay on his back, Charlotte P with Vera on her back and Xander with Reuben on his back. 1st came Xander, 2nd came Charlotte P, 3rd came Tom and 4th came Mikaylee.

By Cope.

The Whitfield Cup

I could feel the adrenalin rushing through me as I sprinted down the track. I had just come second in the heat and now was second in the semi-final. I’d never made it to the final before as a horse, I felt awesome. Then it was on. The final. The race started with Xander in the lead, with Charlotte P close behind. At third and fourth it was me (Tom) and Mikaylee. Then, as the finish loomed nearer, I knew I had got a PB and a podium finish! Even though I finished third I felt really proud of myself and I reckon I can take the cup next year.

By Tom

CUP DAY POEM

Fashions on the field was a global hit, people from all four corners of the galaxy came and showed their amazing costume treats. There were people with claws, swords, people with dresses. Some were people some were not. Everyone came from the past and present. I was Princess Peach and she was lovely to be. Let’s face it Whitfield Cup was the place to be.

By Viveka

Cup Day (stalls)

On the 31st of October our school had the Whitfield Cup. We went with our buddies and we got to choose a stall to do. We could do it with a partner if we wanted to. There were lots of different stalls you could go to. My stall was milkshakes. I was with Normie, Bella and Inanay. We got lots of money from doing milkshakes. We each got to go around to different stores with $20 that we got to spend for the day. I didn’t get to go to the stalls but the rest of my group did. Cup day was fun and everyone enjoyed it. We all looked funny.

By Amilie.

Stalls

On Monday we had Whitfield cup day. My favourite stall was duck shooting, my favourite gun was the shot gun. Judd and Wirra were in the same shop. By Paul.

Stalls

My favourite bit of cup day was the stalls because you can get stuff and win prizes and lollies as prizes. Foods and milkshakes, hit the target to win prizes. There was arts and crafts where you can make stuff. My favourite stall was duck shooting. I did arts and crafts with Charlotte R, Claire and Toria. I enjoyed duck shooting the most out of every stall of the day.

By Corrie.
**Whitfield Cup Race**
At the last minute of the day was the Whitfield cup. You have your jockey and horse. The horse piggy backs the jockey down the race track. In the final race we had Xander and Rueben, Charlotte P and Vera, Tom and Inanay, then Mikaylee and Emily. In 1st place we had Xander and Rueben, 2nd Charlotte and Vera, 3rd Tom and Inanay, 4th we had Mikaylee and Emily.

By Mikaylee

**WHITFIELD CUP DAY!**
All the races at Whitfield Cup Day were awesome! The last race was the Whitfield Cup, I was a horse with Emilio as my jockey. Emilio and I came fourth and just didn’t make it but we still had heaps of fun. The semi-finals were close and only four made it to the final of the Whitfield Cup. The four finalists were: Xander (horse) with Rueben (jockey), Charlotte P (horse) with Vera (jockey), Tom (horse) with Inanay (jockey) and Mikaylee (horse) with Emily (jockey). It was a great race, it looked like Xander and Reuben had won but then Charlotte P and Vera had sped up, but Xander and Reuben had just crossed the line coming first place. I was happy that Xander and Reuben won. All the other finalists did really well.

I wonder who will win the next Whitfield Cup?
By Edan

**PAYMENT PLANS**
You can make payments towards camps coming up – or to pay off existing excursions in instalments. Remember to make sure your family name is in any EFT – internet banking transfers.

Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) details:
Acc. Name: Whitfield District Primary School
Acc. Number: 10107371
BSB Number: 063-531

**MUSIC - ‘Count us in’**
We have been practising ‘music count us in’ for a while now and on Thursday the 3rd November the school had ‘music count us in’ which is where students get chosen to make a song, then people choose a student’s song and then kids from all over the country sing the song at the same time and Whitfield District Primary School was one of those schools. We sung it in the music room. The 1-2’s were on camp so everyone could fit in the music room. Some people got to sing it on the Sydney Harbor Bridge and some got to sing it in the Sydney Opera House. By Lachlan

**Cup Day at Whitfield P.S (fashions on the field )**
On the 31st of October our school had Cup Day! The first thing we did was get our stores ready then we got to get our costume on. Most of our parents came. Miss. Feldtmann read out each one of our characters. I went as a Genie. There were many things that people went as. Some of the parents/teaches went as characters. We all looked pretty funny. After each one of us got a go we went on with our stores then the races. We then packed up and went home. Cup day was fun for everyone!
By Summer

**KANGA 8’S Cricket carnival**
Well done to our grade 5/6’s who were part of the King Valley Cluster teams. The girls and boys – King Valley 1 teams won all three of their round robin matches – narrowly missing the grand final on percentage. The girls won their final between 3rd & 4th, so were undefeated for the day. The boys lost their final to finish 4th overall out of 17 teams. Well Done!
Cup Day
At Cup Day I dressed up as a Zombie and my stall was cup ball, a game were you bounce ping pong balls into cups and you got scores for which cup you get it in. I was in a stall with Xander, Amy and Reuben. At our stall we made one hundred and something dollars. After everyone packed up their stalls we started the races. I didn’t win any races but at least I tried. Then Wirra and I went together in the Whitfield Cup race, we lost the in the first heat. Xander and Reuben won the Whitfield Cup. Then it was time to pack up the chairs and some of the eggs that splatted everywhere from the egg and spoon race (I came nearly last in that race).  By Darcy

KANGA 8’s CRICKET
We jumped out of the van and I knew what to do it was my third time at Kanga eights cricket but I still had butterflies. I was in team King Valley 1 and when we played our first game we rocked and won by 2 points! I know it was a close game but the next game was better we won by 60 points but wait it gets even better the next game we won by 75 points we knew for sure that we would get into the finals. By the afternoon we were hot and sweaty but in the finals we did our very best and came third. I’d say that was a pretty good effort. By Viveka

On the 8th of November, Daphne and I went to Kanga 8’s for the first time. We lost all the games but we had fun anyway. We were on a team with Abby, Alice, Chloe, Olivia, Kristen, Sahara and Josie. The last game we played was against Our Lady’s and they were very strict, we had a plan to try and win but it didn’t work. At the end we had a presentation for who won then after that we got an activity book and a milo drink. By Daphne & Mikaylee

HOME READING

Congratulations 75 nights home reading! Declan
Congratulations 100 nights home reading! Emilio
Congratulations 125 nights home reading! Angus, Corrie
Congratulations 150 nights home reading! Amilie
Congratulations 175 nights home reading! Mike, Edan
Congratulations 200 nights home reading! Darcy
Congratulations 225 nights home reading! Lachlan, Claire
Congratulations 275 nights home reading! Charlotte R, Kalika

‘THUMBS UP’ AWARD
The Principal’s ‘Thumbs Up’ Award recipients are students that have been seen doing great things at our school. The latest recipients are:

Amy: For really good organisation and cleanliness on camp.

Emily: For great confidence and skills in all the activities on camp.

Judd: For excellent timeline information in Integrated Studies.

Mikaylee: For her efforts in practicing and participating in the Kanga 8’s cricket.

EVERY DAY COUNTS – school attendance
Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.

Remember...
* Phone the school 5729 8286,
* Phone or text the principal 0428 298 286,
* email whitfield.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
* or supply a note before or after the absence

All school newsletters are available on the NEW LOOK school website;
www.whitfieldps.vic.edu.au
SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING
Stress management – Help Seeking
We did stress management. We did an explosion chart about stress; what the emotions are, what things trigger it (on another chart), e.g. ‘hard’, ‘scary’, ‘new’. Today we talked about problems and we had to place them on a scale and rate them from 1-10. By Edan

Today we started off with a meditation that Sandy read out, it was about muscle relaxing. Then we split into our groups, the 5/6’s wrote out some statements/questions to think about how bad a problem is. We had to close our eyes and think of our own reaction to a problem and decide how bad the problem is. Then we got into groups of 3 and did the same thing but wrote what the rest of the group thought about the problem on the 1-10 scale.

By Summer & Cheniqua

In social and Emotional Learning today we talked about ‘people we can help’ – how we know when they need help and how we can help them. I liked the smiling mind meditation when we went back to the wish tree. I learnt that different people express their feelings differently. We also thought about how we feel when we help somebody. We also talked about how you feel when you see something but don’t know how to help (bystander behaviour) By Tom and Charlotte P

COMMUNITY NOTICES
The Fun Run Walk - Kitchen Garden Fundraiser - King Valley Challenge was on Sat 22nd.

It was a windy day, but the spirits stayed high. The efforts and smiles of those fun-run-walking and the helper-outers brought their own sunshine to the day. A highlight was seeing the efforts of the children on the fun-run-walk routeations - Awe inspiring!

I’m in the Band – Jazz Festival Art prizes
Congratulations to Isabelle, Amy and Edan for their winning artworks in the ‘I’m in the Band’ art competition for the Jazz Festival. They were 3 of the 10 winners out of the 600+ entries. A great effort – well done.

The Wanganarra Jazz and Blues festival board would like to extend a HUGE thank you to the students and teachers at the participating schools and the businesses for their involvement in this year’s community engagement project. The judges had a very tough time making the decision to come up with the winners as all the work was of a very high standard.

Right from the early years of Wanganarra’s renowned Jazz and Blues there has been a tradition of community participation, involving displays in business windows across the CBD. In 2016 the Wanganarra Festival of Jazz and Blues has breathed new life into this popular practice and have partnered with Owens & King Builders as corporate sponsors to present “I’m in the Band” artwork until the conclusion of the Wanganarra Festival of Jazz and Blues completed by primary students from across the North East.

The works are displayed across the CBD in such a way that there will be students playing instruments that form a band, for example; keyboard player, singer, drummer, and saxophonist. It will be an improvisation of different schools united together in harmony.

The 10 winning artworks are on display at the Wanganarra Visitor Information Centre in Murphy St, Wanganarra. There are 25 Highly Commended works which are scattered throughout the CBD. In addition there is even artwork featuring famous locals and even a Jazz Artist – see if you can identify and spot them in your travels.

King River Rafting - Parents Assoc. Fundraising
A great day was had, Saturday 5th November, for the King River Rafting trip - a fundraiser for Whitfield PS. The rafting trip was auctioned earlier in the year at the Sal Kimber concert at the Cheshunt Hall.

Donating their expertise and time for the day, Pete Christison and Dave Gilson took eight fellas down the river and white water fun and swims were had by all.

A big thanks to Adventureworks and Paddlesports for helping make the day possible, via donations of insurance and rafting equipment. It couldn’t happen without their generosity. $600 was raised for the school.
Social Enterprise

Remembrance Day/Melbourne Camp

On the 11/11/16 Social Enterprise will be finishing at 10:30 AM due to Remembrance Day at the Whitfield Hall.

On the 18/11/16 Social Enterprise will be closed due to the 3-6 Melbourne camp.

On the 25/11/16 Social Enterprise will return to normal times. 😊