NEWSLETTER
Term 2
June 1st 2016

Exceptional Educational Experiences

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Emotional Literacy – A.L. (amazing literacy)
There will be a parent presentation and information session about the Emotional Literacy (A.L. – Amazing Literacy) class on Monday 20th June @ 2:45pm.

Solving Problems.
Today the kids practiced relaxing on the floor and pretending to lie on a cloud and tighten our muscles and then melt like an ice block... Then we practiced helping each other get in a life raft and then how we can help friends when something goes wrong... We realised that: asking if someone is okay, or needs help or needs something... And we even realised that sometimes a ‘sorry’ helps...
Ollie and Mikey

Help Seeking.
We did role plays about asking for help. We talked about when to ask adults for help. For example, if someone broke an arm – we just don’t know how to fix the problem. We wrote our ‘helping hands’ which included who can help us and who can we help?
By Corrie & Inanay

MATILDA
I liked the bit when Miss Trunchbull said, “Maggots,” because it made me laugh. But my favourite part was dinner because I had Macca’s for dinner, it was yum. By Ollie

I liked “When I grow up,” and when Matilda was born. I read Princess Sophia on the bus. By Inanay.

I liked it when Miss Trunchbull had a scooter. By Mike

I liked it when Matilda got put in the chokey. By Reuben.

I liked it when Miss Trunchbull was riding the scooter. By Vera

My favourite part was when Matilda sang, “Quiet”. I liked it when Matilda made Miss Trunchbull run away and she left the school. The whole school and some other parents saw Matilda. At dinner I had a happy meal from Macca’s and a soft serve ice-cream. By Isabelle.

I liked it when Miss Trunchbull threw the girl. By Toria.

I liked it when Matilda was writing with the chalk on the board, it made Miss Trunchbull run away. I had dinner at KFC, I got nuggets and chips and tomato sauce. For dessert I got some yoghurt with some berries. By Zoi

Ollie Matilda

Who Can Help?

Who I can help?

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Phone: 5729 8286 email: whitfield.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au web: www.whitfieldps.vic.edu.au
I liked it when the laser came and I liked it when Matilda rode the scooter and I saw the choky. Miss Trunchbull rode the scooter too. We went on the bus. It was fun but I was tired at the end, goodnight I said. By Normie.

Emilio, I liked it when the Wormwood family just turned up at the library saying we’re going to Spain but Matilda didn’t want to go and moved in with Miss Honey and cartwheeled off in to the distance. We stopped at KFC and got chips, nuggets and tomato sauce. I got a toy from Darcy and then we went home. I stayed up till midnight because I had a dream.

Casey, I liked it when Miss Trunchbull has some lizards in her knickers.

Amy. Characters- Miss Honey, Miss Trunchbull, Matilda, Mister Wormwood, Mrs Wormwood and Amanda. My favourite thing was Miss Trunchbull’s skirt like my school skirt. My second favourite thing was when the lasers went on. My third favourite was the start. My fourth favourite was the scooters. My fifth favourite was when Miss Wormwood was dancing. My sixth favourite was Matilda tipping the cup over with her eyes.

Delilah We went to Matilda. I liked the part when Matilda tipped the glass over with her eyes.

Melita. Matilda rode the scooter, she fell off the scooter.

Paige. I liked it when the lasers came.

Emily. I liked it when the ballerina said, “I am a pretty ballerina,” and when Miss Trunchbull jumped over the box and when Miss Trunchbull was on the scooter and she said, “Maggots.”

This edition of the Newsletter has plenty of contributions from our Foundation – year 2 students. They are making some great progress with their Reading and Writing. Thank you parents for listening to your children read.

HOME READING

Congratulations 50 nights home reading! Judd
Congratulations 75 nights home reading! Vera, Isabelle, Mikaylee, Cheniqua, Bella
Congratulations 100 nights home reading! Normie, Emily, Wirra, Xander, Lachlan, Viveka
Well done to these students (and parents!)

‘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:

Delilah: For being brave and persistent on the Bike Ed course.
Corrie: For his attitude, effort and enthusiasm in cooking and trying all foods.
Tom: For his effort and engagement in all learning activities.
PERSONAL BEST ATHLETICS
Sports Day by F-2
Vera. I got a red ribbon.

Mike. I got a green ribbon. It said, “Well Done.”

Paige. I got a green ribbon.

Delilah. I broke my record in High Jump.

Melita. I came first in the race around the oval.

Inanay. On Sports Day High jump was my favourite. I won a ribbon. I was happy.

Reuben. I got a medal. In shot put I got 4.46m

Declan. My Medal. I got a medal for best Sportsperson. I beat all my records. In discus I got 8.20m and 75cm in High Jump.

Normie. My Special Day. I liked High Jump because I like jumping. I got a ribbon it was green.

Ollie. I went to Sports. Mum drove me to the oval in Wangaratta. I had an Anzac biscuit for morning tea. I had a sausage roll for lunch, it was yummy. I ran very fast in distance and sprint. I bet all of my records. I was puffed after the big day.

Amy. This Sports day I came third. I came first in discus. It was a nice day. In distance I came third it wasn’t as great as last year. In discus I got 10.34m. In Distance I got 50.53 sec.

Emily. On Sports Day I came first in Sprint, 10.12s. I am the holder of the High jump record. I have 80cm. I got a medal.

Isabelle. My Mum drove me to the oval in Wangaratta. On Sports day I got 6 out of 7. I came third place. I smashed my High jump score. At school my score was 45cm and 54cm at sports day I got 80cm.

Toria. I came last in Sprint. Mum and Dad drove Toria and Paul into the Sports day. I got a medal for trying hard.

Casey. I got a ribbon. I won the long race, I was second in the sprint.

HOT LUNCHES
Thank you to Nicki and Cathy for the Sheppard’s Pie and chocolate ripple cake, as well Jo. A. and Melissa. H for the tasty Fried Rice with Sweet & Sour Pork and the Peaches and Ice Cream.

Remember, you can bring a receipt and claim back expenses for providing the hot lunch. Just bring the receipt to Mark or Pam in the office.

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
NEW LOOK WEBSITE
Check out our new look school website. It contains all the latest newsletters and has some cool new pictures and even some videos. There is a ‘Parent Portal’ section on the website. Login details for the page were sent home last newsletter.

All school newsletters are available on the NEW LOOK school website;
www.whitfieldps.vic.edu.au

Whole School Community Engagement in planning – May 2016
Whitfield District Primary School is in the process of developing a Strategic Plan for the next four years. As part of this, the School Council is working to engage the whole school community to be informed of the plan and have input into the process. While final decisions rest with the principal, these decisions will be guided by the input from the community.

Aim
As a school council, we want to make sure that everyone has the opportunity to have a say on the school. This input will help to guide and shape the future. The final plan will be collated by the school principal and will be informed by the thoughts and input from the whole school community.
• To inform the whole school community about the School Plan
• To provide opportunity for people impacted by the planning and decisions to have input
• To value the school community by asking and being clear about the offer to listen yet not enact everything

Approach
The simple question sheet attached will be the basis of all discussion or input. The people who need to be informed and included are:
School council
Teachers and specialty teachers
Students
Families and carers
Volunteers
Please take the time to fill in and return the ‘Sticky Notes’ sheet by Wednesday 15th June.

School Fundraiser
To the Whitfield PS Parent Group, Students & Community: Thank you for your support!

The smiles and music tunes are still echoing throughout the King Valley! Sal Kimber and the Rollin’ Wheel at the Cheshunt Hall, May 21st was a wonderful community event. A total of $2700 was raised for Whitfield PS and quality music was enjoyed by the 120+ people who came along. You helped make it happen! Thanks for your active efforts.
Thanks to Suz Christison & Kate Gilson for coordinating. Gratitude for the helping hands and generosity of time from parents who helped out with preparation, set up and pack down: Suz & Pete Christison, Jamie, Kate & Dave Gilson, Rosie & Dave Suter, Cathy Collins & Scott Swinburne, Paula (Cath’s sister in law), Melissa Hanley, Brad & Sammy Rumbelow, Rach Richards. Awesome efforts on the night from the busy bar team - Carla Pizzini, Mat Roberts, Cath Collins, Dave Gilson. Thanks be to the hard work of those at the in demand BBQ - Rosie Suter, Sammy Rumbelow, Cath Collins, Scott Swinburne. Yummo coffee & cake was served by Liss van Bergen & Nikki Sheppard (Thanks Lindy Roberts for the Cake & Scones). Thanks Sandy and Chris Miliking for the wonderful welcome & ticketing. We all managed to work and have fun at the same time – yippee!

Thanks to all the people who came along and enjoyed the evening. Sal Kimber & the Rollin’ Wheel drew many fans from far and wide - folk traveling up from Melbourne, across the North East and of course the lovely families, our teaching staff and locals of the King Valley that came along and supported our event. Suz started us off with her beautiful tunes. Brad, Sammy & Mikaylah played a high energy great vibe gig! Thanks for contributing your talent.

Thanks to families who donated items to our Raffle prize. The support of local businesses for our Raffle & Auction is greatly appreciated. Thanks to Adventureworks & Paddlesports (King River Rafting experience), Chrismont Wine, Dalzotto Wines and King River Estate (each donated a case of wine), Jessies Creek Accommodation, King Valley Fine Foods (hamper), Natures Touch (massage & facial), Whitty Café (gift voucher), Whitfield Store (gift voucher) and Whitfield Garage (Fuel/service voucher).
Thanks again for contributing to this successful fundraiser and community event.
Thanks to Glenn Clarke for coming out to the school and setting up the Bike Ed course. Students have been honing their riding skills and bike control this week. We are proposing to do a whole school bike ride on Tuesday 21st June. More information will be supplied prior to the day. If you are available to assist on the day (riding or vehicle/trailer back up), please contact me at the school. Thanks.

The Personal Best Athletics have been great in giving students plenty of measuring opportunities. We are now comparing and graphing our results in maths.

To continue this understanding at home it would be great if you could use second hands on clocks, oven timers, phones, stop watches, and digital watches with seconds to play games and complete tasks. This will get your child even more familiar with units of time and the use of these instruments.

Hopefully you already know that this term we are learning about ‘Space’ in our Integrated Studies unit. Keep your eyes open in the media for space articles (space junk, new planets, missions to Mars are just some of the stories that we’ve noticed this term). Also keep your eye on the moon, stars and planets (mars and Jupiter have been visible early at night this week).

In integrated studies I have been blown away. Apparently stars with other planets wobble as the planets orbit, the gravitation pull makes it wobble. There are over 3,500 planets known to mankind! I learnt that there is another dwarf planet that orbits our sun but it orbits on a 90 degree angle. By Tom
I have learnt that we are moving 900 km per hour where we are on earth. If we were on the equator we would travel at 1600 km/h. I have also learnt that if you go on Mars you weigh only about 1/3 of your weight on Earth and if you were on Jupiter it would be 3 times more. The bigger the planet the heavier you are because it has more gravitational pull. An exo planet goes around another star. By Darcy.

Scientists think that Saturn’s rings formed by moons crashing together! Jupiter takes 10hrs to rotate once! Pluto could’ve formed from an asteroid because it is made of ice and rock, also it is smaller than the moon! Mercury takes 58 DAYS! To rotate once! Saturn has over 60 moons! By Edan

Using the above scale the nearest star (other than the sun) would be 400km away. By Cope

I have learnt that the Earth is on a tilt on 23.5 degrees.
That the Northern Hemisphere has the Tropic of Cancer and the Southern Hemisphere has the Tropic of Capricorn.
There are days in Antarctica when it is constantly dark and 6 months later it constantly light.
The sun is a star with all the planets spiraling around its orbit.
That waxing is when you see more of the moon each day and waning is when you see less of the moon each day.
In June (21st) we have the shortest day.
We get our seasons because of the tilt of the Earth. By Summer.

The sun is a really big bomb but all the gravity is keeping it together but if there were no gravity we would be dead.
Pluto is smaller than the moon.
Big asteroids have crashed in to the moon.
It takes 247.9 earth years for Pluto to do one orbit of the sun. By Lachlan

COMMUNITY NOTICES
Planning meeting - King Valley Challenge/Kitchen Garden Fundraiser

The King Valley Challenge is a multi-sport event, held at Lake William Hovel, October 8th 2016. As part of the event, the KV Challenge partners with the King Valley Schools Kitchen Garden to present a 6km fun-run walk as a fundraiser for the Kitchen Garden program.

Last year we raised $1800 - this year we are hoping to explore options to increase the funds raised even more. It has been a fun day of fitness, enjoyed by all participants and helpers.

It is time for some advanced planning - to promote good health and participation (and thus raise $ through entry fees etc) we have to get the word out early and give opportunities for good health efforts and training.

If you are interested in joining the group of parents to coordinate this fundraiser, please email or call Kate Gilson 57298033 yangoorainthevalley@hotmail.com.

MOYHU OCCASIONAL CARE

Sherco motorcycles Aust. have opened a bank account for King Valley Motor Cycles after they lost their shed plus all their tools, computer, bikes etc. in a freak fire. If you wish to donate BSB 633 000 Account no. 123998486