

NEWSLETTER

Term 2
April 26th, 2017

Exceptional Educational Experiences

DATES TO REMEMBER

Working Bee 3:30 – 6pm	Friday 28th April
NAPLAN years 3 & 5	Tues 9th – Thur 11th May
Personal Best Athletics @ Appin Park	Tues 16th May
School Council @ 7pm	Tues 16th May
'Aladdin' – Performance – Melbourne	Wed 24th May
Bike Ed begins – Bikes must be at school	Mon 29th May
Queen's B'day Public Holiday	Mon 12th June
Pupil Free Day – (Report Writing)	Tues 13th June
End of Term	Fri 30th June
(Jump rope for heart demo & Lunch) (1pm – 2:30pm)	

SCHOOL CALENDAR DATES

The school calendar dates in the pink text box above, provide you with the excursions and events that are happening at the school this term. It is important that parents take notice of the events and dates (write them in your dairy/calendar), as we now have the general permission form for local school excursions during school times.

Stick the latest newsletter on your fridge!



Literacy corner

Camps and excursions provide not only a fantastic learning experience that students will remember for life, but offers rich material from which to write.

CLUSTER MUSIC DAY

Last term on Thursday, all the schools had music cluster day. There were 4 groups. The name of groups were names of birds. One of the bird's names was the golden whistler. One part of the performance was dancing. Also, every group played a song based on an animal. The girls used clapping sticks and the boys used didgeridoos. We act out the animal that your song was based on and we guessed the animal that they were acting. When we were done our class got to talk to Sani and ask him questions about himself.
By Emilio and Ollie.

CLUSTER MUSIC DAY

Percussion

At music cluster day there was instrument-painting, singing, Aboriginal dancing with Sani Townsen (Miss B's brother in law), percussion and performance at the end. In percussion, we had to choose a native Australian animal, there was the Thorny Devil, Koala, Kangaroo and Emu. There were two people to try to act out the animal that their group chose. The others played music; the boys played the Didgeridoo and the girls played the tapping sticks to help guess what the animal is. E.g. A koala is slow and lazy so the music players would play slowly. It was extremely fun. By Angus & Edan



SAILING CAMP

On sailing camp, I learnt how to do push turns and pull turns and how to steer the 'Optis'. I learnt how to trapeze off the cattermeran. My favourite part of the whole camp was when we went on a walk at Point Nepean and went in all the old bomb shelters, but every time we girls walked around a corner the boys would scare us. Sailing camp was really fun and it was good to have all the other year six's there to get along with. When we had free time, Summer and I would carry each other on our shoulders. By Mikaylee



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HOME READING

We have a number of students who have already reached their 25 nights' certificate. Well done!



Congratulations 25 nights home reading.

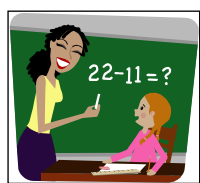
Kayleb, Lachlan

Congratulations 50 nights home reading.

Kody, Mike, Isabelle, Normie, Edan, Zoi, Emilio, Cope, Angus

Congratulations 75 nights home reading.

Amilie, Tom, Charlotte, Kalika



Numeracy corner

In Maths we are doing lots of measuring for our Personal Best sports. Students have been measuring time, height, and length. The students have also been recording their data and working out the difference between their first and second attempts.

PERSONAL BEST Athletics - Tuesday 16th May

The King Valley Cluster – Personal Best Athletics sports will be held at the **Appin Park athletics track** on **Tuesday 16th May**. Students need to be delivered to the track by parents and need to arrive by **9:45am**. It is a fantastic family day. The day concludes at approximately 2:30pm. More information to come with the next newsletter. Mark the date on your calendar.

'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 doing some great maths practice at home.

Wirra: For practicing his writing and completing homework well whilst on holidays.

Amilie: For her great home reading this year, including over the holidays.

OSH

Please phone **0448 298 467** to make bookings for Outside School Hours care. Please also use this number for afterschool arrangements as this phone is always checked just before dismissal at 3:30pm.

3/4 Camp – 'Challenge and Grow'. 15 Mile Ck

On 15-Mile Creek camp, our topic was Challenge and Grow. We worked through the tasks together. My favourite task was the 'circle task.' The task was in our booklets. There was a circle and we had to write what we were comfortable with in the circle and what we were not so comfortable with just outside the circle, and really not comfortable with - way outside the circle. That task helped me all through the camp. I liked working in the notebooks this year. This year's camp was amazing. By Claire.



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CLUSTER MUSIC DAY

Dance

At music cluster day, Sani Townsen came and taught us how to do a Torres Strait Islander dance. The dance was about going about on a boat, catching fish and acting like a fish too. The fish we were acting were flying fish and how they move. Also we were acting catching them in the air. We had to practise so we could remember it for the end of the day performance. Everyone thought it was amazing, especially how everyone was doing the exact same thing and we could all remember it all and all the little extra add ins. By Cope and Corrie.



CLUSTER MUSIC DAY

Instrument Making

For instrument making, it was an aboriginal theme. The girls made clapping sticks and the boys made didgeridoos. Usually in the aboriginal culture, the girls did not make or do anything and just watch the boys do the dancing. We watched a short clip of some aboriginal paintings to get ideas. We had to sand the top of the clapping sticks and didgeridoos. Then we used chalk markers to decorate them. Many people did dots and some people did drawings of snakes and things like lizards. We used them for most of the other classes. By Amilie and Charlotte



PAYMENT PLANS

As for previous years, parents are able to plan ahead and make payments towards camps and excursions 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

CLUSTER MUSIC DAY

Singing

In singing, we did an aboriginal welcome song and we sang 'Under the mango tree' with actions and some instruments, clapping sticks, didgeridoo and Aboriginal drums. Some groups were called kookaburra, king fisher and humming birds. By Seamus and Amy



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.

'ALADDIN'

On Wednesday 24th May, the whole school will be travelling to Melbourne by coach to see 'Aladdin' at Her Majesty's Theatre. The Parents Association have subsidised more than half the cost. Permission forms need to be returned ASAP. We are expecting all students to attend. If your child is not going to attend – please contact the school, so that we are not left with unsold tickets. At this stage – all available tickets have been sold.

FOOTY CLINIC AT WHITFIELD – Thursday's



Free-volunteer run, Footy clinic for school kids

The clinic will run from **4:30pm – 5:30pm** on Thursday's at the Whitfield Rec. Reserve, starting **THIS THURSDAY**. Sausage for the kids after training thanks to the footy club. Parent help greatly appreciated!

NAPLAN

NAPLAN is for year 3 & 5 students and is conducted on Tuesday 9th – Thurs 11th May. Tues before recess is Language Conventions, after recess is Writing. Wednesday morning is Reading. Thursday morning is Mathematics. Parent information sheet came home today for year 3 & 5 students. Please contact me at the school if you have any questions or concerns regarding NAPLAN.

WORKING BEE – This Friday 3:30 - 6:00pm

Some of the tasks for next week include, spreading a mulch, weeding and pruning, some planting, clearing the sand from the undercover area drainage, moving some sand to the long jump pit run up, painting the flagpole. If you have a favourite shovel, pruning tools, wheelbarrow, etc. please bring them along. Thanks in advance for your support. Mark Van Bergen (Principal)

COMMUNITY NOTICES



MOYHU
& District Preschool Inc.

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ABN 96 292 878 495
03 5727 9346

NERPSA North East Regional
Pre School Association

Moyhu Occasional Childcare

0 – 5 year olds

ENROLMENTS URGENTLY NEEDED

Fridays 9am – 2pm

At Moyhu and District Preschool

Permanent or casual places available

\$30 per session

For more information please contact

Booking Officer - Kerrie Evans

5727 9338 or 0429 023 856



Wangaratta Scout Group invites you to a night of adventure and action!

Monday 8th May 2017 - 5pm to 6:30pm.

Open to boys and girls aged 7 to 13 years to experience a fun night and see what Cubs and Scouts is all about.

Parents required to stay - sausage sizzle & hot/cold drinks provided.

All enquiries to 0427 591 259



Wangaratta Scout Group

College Street, Barr Reserve (Just past Wangaratta Bowls Club)

COMMUNITY NOTICES



WANGARATTA
HIGH SCHOOL

Open Day

Wednesday 17th May
12pm - 4:30pm

A chance for the community to step through our state of the art facilities

Tours throughout the afternoon and an address from Transition Coordinator at 4pm in the Flexible Learning Centre

For any further enquiries or school tours by appointment please contact Transition Leader Kasey Doyle on 5723 0500

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Inclusion NetSetGo

Wangaratta Netball Association is pleased to announce from 2017 we will be conducting an Inclusion NetSetGo program.

Inclusion NetSetGO introduces people with disabilities, indigenous background or from a Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) community to the sport of netball. It is a modified version of netball adapted to let to suit the specific needs and abilities of diverse groups.

Both girls and boys as well as adults are welcome to come along and have a go.

The program will provide some physical exercise as well as social interaction for those who normally don't have access to or able to join in a lot of social activities due to their disability, cultural background or language barrier.

Inclusion NetSetGo program information:

Start Date: Friday 28 April 2017

End Date: 30 June 2017
(program may go into Term 3 if rain washes out a weekly session)

Time: 4.30pm to 5.30pm (under lights)

Cost: \$16 payable to Wangaratta Netball Association
Player Registrations forms can be forwarded to PO Box prior to any program date or sign up and pay at the netball courts

Clothing: Sports shoes are preferable, clothing to keep players warm

Venue: Netball courts at HP Barr Reserve, Schillings Drive, Wangaratta

Contact: Cath Hoskin - 5721 5821

Is your child interested in Baseball?

Is he or she aged between 8 and 11?

The Wangaratta Rangers Baseball teams are holding **FREE** clinics for both boys and girls aged from 8 to 11 years of age to teach them how to play Baseball with the chance of forming an Under 12's team to go to Bendigo on the 29th & 30th August 2017 to represent the North East Baseball Association.

Anyone in this age group is welcome to attend these clinics which are held each Saturday afternoon from 3pm to 4.30pm at the baseball grounds at Targoora park, Murdoch Road Wangaratta (next door to Cathedral College).

For more information, please contact Kevin on 5721.3315