

NEWSLETTER

Term 2
May 15th, 2019

Exceptional Educational Experiences

DATES TO REMEMBER

NAPLAN Years 3 & 5	Tues 14 th – Thur 16 th May
Life Ed van	Fri 17 th May
Personal Best Sports @ Appin Park	Tues 21 st May
School Council meeting @ 7pm	Tues 21 st May
Queen's B'day Public Holiday	Mon 10 th June
Pupil Free Day – (assess-reporting)	Tues 11 th June
P-6 Opera Victoria in Melbourne 6:30am	Mon 17 th June
School Council meeting @ 7pm	Tues 18 th June
End of Term / Jump rope demo	Fri 28 th June

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 in the next few weeks. It is important that parents take notice of the events and dates (write them in your diary/calendar), as we now have the general permission form for local school excursions during school times.

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.

Hope: For mixing really well with students from other schools on camp.

Inanay: For being organised and independent throughout the camp.

Emily: For her always positive attitude and involvement on camp.

Milly: For her great leadership and initiative on camp.

3-4 CAMP 'Challenge & Grow'

We built a bridge. We used all our effort building the bridge. Once we were done we went over the bridge. But it did not last long because one of the sticks broke. But because you could fix it some people went over again. But soon after it came crashing down. We were able to fix it because there was a bit more room on the end so we could move it and start over again. And because it was not strong enough we could not all stand on it at the same time. So we all went on the log behind it then and took a photo. But then we

had to break it so the other groups could make a bridge too. And then we went back to camp and had a lovely camp for the rest of the week. By Emily.



Numeracy corner

Travel timetables

Here are some questions to ask your child that improve their knowledge of time and their problem solving skills:

- » Can you identify your starting point on the timetable?
- » What is the earliest and latest time to travel on this route?
- » How long does it take to travel the entire route?
- » How many stops are there on this route?
- » What is the difference in the time travelled when not making all the stops?
- » What is the cost? Is it good value compared to other travel options?
- » Which is the best route to travel? Why do you think this?
- » To get to training on time, when will you need to leave?

PERSONAL BEST Athletics - Tuesday 21st May

The King Valley Cluster – Personal Best Athletics sports will be held at the **Appin Park Athletics Track** on **Tuesday 21st 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. Students need to have lunch, snack, water bottle and a hat. Please contact the school if you have any questions about the day.



Students had a great practice day with the whole cluster on Monday and will be looking to do their personal best next week.

COOKING

Term 2	Cooking helper
Tuesday 28th May	Caz / Sandy
Tuesday 11th June	Nikki S / Dave
Tuesday 26th June	Rosie / Nikki S

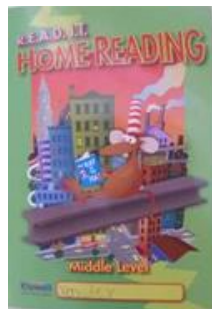
Thanks to all our parent helpers and volunteers so far this year.



Literacy corner

HOME READING

The students have started their 'Home Reading' with most students reading each night. The yellow books (P-3) and green books (4-6) have lots of great tips for parents to help their child learn to read and they have sticker awards to reward the children for their efforts. Your help and nightly practice is vital. Reading at home has many benefits for your child and you.



We have a number of students who have already reached their 50 nights' certificate!

Congratulations 25 nights home reading:

Hope

Congratulations 50 nights home reading:

Aroha, Joah, Kody, Normie

Congratulations 75 nights home reading:

Ruby,

Congratulations 100 nights home reading:

Emilio, Milly, Ned, Wirra, Zoi

All school newsletters are available on the school website;

www.whitfieldps.vic.edu.au

SCHOOL BUS TRAVELLERS

If your child is having a 'sleepover' at another student's house and is catching the bus to get there, please notify Wendy. It is important that the bus rolls are accurate.

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 ☺

3-4 CAMP 'Bike Riding'

The feeling that I get when I ride is awesome! London and I led, we chose a short cut. When I went through leaves London laughed. We stopped at a gate and Dad told Tom and Mitch to take the lead. (They wanted to lead all day) Dave was our visiting teacher, he once worked here. He took us on a bush track. It was fun. We lined up to go through the puddle, the BIG puddle. I felt as though I was flying when I went fast. Tom and Mitch made going through the puddle look easy! I shivered when the water sprayed up around me. By Isabelle.



HOT LUNCHES – Terms 2 & 3

Thanks to Geoff for the warming Chicken korma and rice and Dave for the



yummy chocolate ripple cake last week. Today's macaroni cheese was super from Rosie & Dave and thanks to Chris M for the delicious rice pudding. It is great to have Hot Lunches back for the winter terms. Remember you can bring a receipt in for reimbursements of the cost of making hot lunch if you'd like.

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 School **0428 298 286**,

*Email whitfield.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

*Or supply a **note** before the absence.

The school must be informed of all absences by 9am. Thank you ☺

3-4 CAMP 'Challenge and Grow'

As I hop out of the car I wondered who I'm going to be with in a group and cabin? Dad gets my bags out of the car and we walk over to the mud brick room and put my bags down, then I say "bye dad" and give him a hug goodbye. Then we go and sit around the fire pit and Amy Northwood told us our groups and then our cabins. I was in group 3. We got Bree as our group leader. Bree says we are doing rock climbing first.

We get to the rock climbing wall and Bree showed us how to put our harnesses on. Kate wanted to go first, I was after her. She got half way up the wall, then it was my go. I stood at the bottom of the wall feeling excited. Bree said "go! I fired up the wall and rang the bell, ding dong! Everyone clapped and cheered then I slowly got let down and finally touched the ground again.

We had some fruit and started walking back to the camp, it was dinner time and it was roast chicken with vegetables for dinner and apple crumble for dessert!

I had a fantastic time at 15 Mile Creek Camp!
By Milly.



SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

Students in Mr. Van Bergen's class have been coming up with business ideas for this year's social enterprise. The class started off with over 30 different business ideas. Student's then looked more closely at some of their ideas against criteria such as usefulness, target audience, need, trading, skills and resources. This process thinned the list of business ideas to 15. Students have been looking at these ideas

further and constructing a business case for ideas that they think will work well and currently we are down to five business ideas with a few concepts joining together. Next Friday we will be having a 'Shark Tank' presentation to help us decide our business for 2019. Peter from the Australian Centre for Rural Entrepreneurs (ACRE) will be coming to be on the panel. We look forward to informing you of the outcome in the next newsletter.

In the meantime we have received some 'THANKS' from our previous social causes that we have supported.

The Quoin Island Turtle Rehabilitation Centre in Gladstone posted this on their Facebook page.



[Quoin Island Turtle Rehabilitation Centre](#)

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It doesn't get much better than a simple phone call on a Thursday afternoon from a little school 3 hours north of Melbourne.

Yesterday we were lucky enough to have the principal (Mark) from Whitfield District Primary School, located on the edge of the Alpine National Park in Victoria, advise us of his students social enterprise efforts over the past few months. The students have been positively working on strategies to raise funds for not for profit organisations through events like Trivia nights. We were chuffed to hear that a visitor from Victoria told the school about our Rehab centre and soon there after, the kids were on their way to raising funds to support Quoin Island Turtle Rehab and the work we do hear in Gladstone.. some 2000 kilometers away.

Today we received notification from the school that \$1,000 had been raised and would be donated to our centre from the Whitfield district primary school

Amazing efforts to all the were involved, especially the kids that put in the hard work to support our turtley awesome friends!

Hopefully one day soon you will be able to come visit us to see what we do and help us feed our sick and injured turtles

Whitfield District Primary - keep an eye out in the post, a little thank you is on the way 😊

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Yvonne Lynn Wow!! What a fantastic effort! Well done! 🎉

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Clare Abrahams How lovely. What a beautiful story. Good on Whitfield District Primary School in Victoria! 🙌

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Footy and Netball Clinics

A local footy clinic run by the King Valley Football Club will begin **next Thursday 16th May** after school from **4pm to 5pm** for all Primary School age boys and girls. It will run if there are enough children interested. Please ring Pam Deeker and if your child is interested 0407853043 or 57298526 in the footy. Cath Collins will also be offering a netball clinic for girls and boys at the same time, again please let Cath know if your child is interested 0427 057 849. The club put on a sausage sizzle after training for the kids.

JOIN US for a **FUNDRAISER** event for the **McDonald Family**

On 17th of April 2019, the McDonald family's world was rocked to the core. With their lives never to be the same again, Paul's life was tragically taken by his pet deer and his wife Mandi left in a critical condition after she was attacked as well. Mandi was flown to the Alfred hospital fighting for her life. She has a long recovery in front of her, possibly many many months. With her two children, Jemma and Ethan by her side making decisions that no 19 and 17 year should have to be making.

We, as a close knit small community are joining together to help the McDonald's in their recovery. We are holding a fundraising event to help ease their financial worries. Please come and support this beautiful family with **100% of the profits being donated to the family.**

Venue Moyhu Hotel
Sunday May 19th 12 noon
Food, drinks and live music
Goods and services auction
\$25 gate entry
All tickets pre-sold by 10th of May
For tickets contact: moyhu.hotel@bigpond.com

Bus from Wangaratta available and locally at a cost of \$20 return per person. Bookings also required.

Pledges of donations can be forwarded to: george.biddy1@bigpond.com donations to be in by the 10th of May.

Any further information contact Anita Cook 0459200075



Welcome to our Open Days

Come along and visit our services to make your selection for 3 and 4 Year old Kindergarten places in 2020

Appin Park Kindergarten (4 Year Old Program) – Appin Street, Wangaratta
Wednesday 22nd May : 12.30pm - 2.30pm

Christopher Robin Kindergarten (4 Year Old Program) – Merriwa Park, Wangaratta
Wednesday 22nd May : 9.00am – 10.30am

Coronation Kindergarten (4 Year Old Program) – Swan St, Wangaratta
Monday 20th May : 9.00am – 10.30am

Glenrowan Pre School (3 & 4 Year Old Program) – Old Hume Highway, Glenrowan
Friday 24th May : 10.00am – 12.00pm

James Tilson Kindergarten (4 Year Old Program) – Burke Street, Wangaratta
Tuesday 21st May : 9.00am – 10.30am
Friday 24th May : 9.00am – 10.30am

Moyhu Pre School (Occasional Care, 3 & 4 Year Old Program) – Byrne Street, Moyhu
Wednesday 29th May : 1.00pm – 2.00pm

The Hub Kindergarten (3 Year Old Program) – Burke Street, Wangaratta
Monday 20th May : 1.00pm – 2.00pm

Wangaratta West Kindergarten (4 Year Old Program) – Orkney Street, Wangaratta
Wednesday 22nd May : 1.00pm – 3.00pm

Whorouly Kindergarten (3 & 4 Year Old Program) – Church Street, Whorouly
Wednesday 29th May : 11.00am – 12.00pm

Visit each Kindergarten

hear from our teachers about how they run their programs,
look over the facility, ask questions and
collect enrolment package

At each service you will have the opportunity to meet with staff who will be on hand to introduce themselves, to show you around and answer questions relating to what happens at the service.

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Wangaratta Library

TEACHING EARLY READING HELP YOUR CHILD LEARN

Join Ann Ryan, Vice President of Learning Difficulties Australia (LDA) for a discussion about decodable readers, identifying sight words, tips for making home readers fun and what to do if your child is not progressing with their reading.

Thursday 23rd May
6.30pm

For bookings or more information please contact library staff on 5721 2366 or via email library@wangaratta.vic.gov.au

