

NEWSLETTER

Term 3 July 24th, 2019

Exceptional Educational Experiences

DATES TO REMEMBER

Bike Ed (working bike & helmet required) from Mon 28th July
Cluster winter sports day @ Whitfield Fri 2nd Aug
MusicaViva performance @ Moyhu Thur 15th Aug
Whole School Bike Ride – Milawa area Fri 16th Aug
4-6s Ski Camp 3days/2night Last week of Aug. TBC
Charlie & the Choc Factory – Melb. Wed 18th Sept
Term 3 ends Fri 20th Sept

BIKE EDUCATION – Bike and helmet at school by Monday



The Bike Education trailer will be at our school next week. Students will be developing their riding skills and knowledge throughout the week. Students will then design their own course the week after and we will be working on group riding skills. Finally at the end of the third week (Fri 16th July), we will have a group ride on the bike tracks starting at Milawa. The younger riders will ride towards Oxley and the more experienced riders will continue on to Wangaratta.

Student bicycles need to be at school by 9am Monday (you can drop them off earlier). Tyres that remain inflated, brakes that work and a correctly fitted helmet are required for your child to participate these sessions. If you have any questions, please contact the school.



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), 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.

Thomas: For his positive start to school and making new friends.

Mike: For his effort and teamwork in cooking sessions.

Toria: For her great teamwork and focus in the cooking sessions.

Amy: For taking a leading role in developing the card idea for social enterprise.

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.





50 years ago was the moon landing. Did you know that Neil Armstrong was the first person to step on the moon? He said "...the Eagle has landed". He also said "one small step for [a] man and one giant leap for mankind". I like the subject of space it's so interesting to learn about how the Earth and how big space is. By Paul.





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Wangaratta Winter Sports Carnival (Soccer)

On the 20th June we travelled into Wangaratta to go to play soccer at the soccer grounds. We stopped at Moyhu to pick up the students Moyhu, Greta and Myrrhee. When we arrived we saw lots of different schools from Wangaratta and surroundings. Some of us saw some friends from out of school. We had two different teams: KV Red & KV Black. We were both in KV Red. We swapped our teams around so KV Red would play more games. In our team there was: Emilio, Wirra, Claire, Zoi, Cooper, Mark, Andrew, Josh and us. Our first match was against Cathedral B and we won 4-0. We were very relieved that we had played well in our first match. Wirra scored 3 goals and Ned was goalie and only touched the ball three times. Our next match was a tough one against St. Bernard's A. We played a great match that was a nil all draw. We were quite happy that we kept the eventual winners goalless. The result was the same in the next match we played against Yarrawonga A. We were a bit disappointed that we couldn't beat them because it was a genuine chance for us to advance to the finals instead of St. Bernard's. They had also played a nil all draw with Yarra. Our next match was against the Ovens cluster schools (Oxley, Milawa, Everton). We won 5-1 but didn't get to the finals because of goal difference. We needed to win by 9 goals. We were all a bit disappointed that we didn't get to finals with the score we had and that we didn't lose a game. We were very happy with our performance though. We finished up and went to Cathedral to watch the T-Baller's and then went back to Moyhu and then back to school. By Judd & Ned.



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 ©

The Fruit Fly Circus

In the last week of term we went to a Fruit Fly Circus performance at the Rec Reserve and the play was about a boy who had no imagination, he was always playing video games. They were doing tricks and the tricks were good and they had good acting too. The whole cluster came to see the show. There were seven kids who did the show. Lots of other people came too. My feelings about the show were incredibly awesome because I liked the tricks and some of the flips were really good. We thought that the show was really good because it had some really funny parts in it. By Casey and Normie.



RRRR

Around the last week of term in R.R.R.R we made small plays about being a strong friend, for example one was about "a friend likes to make jokes about other people and wants you to join in". In the plays we acted out what the piece of paper told us, I acted out the "mean kid/friend" a lot, in one of the plays I was acting out someone who interrupted everyone's conversation. It was very fun because we don't do lots of acting unless we are in drama and it is the end of year play. We came up with different things a strong friend would do, they would help you with your problems and be there for you. By Amy



All school newsletters are available on the school website;

www.whitfieldps.vic.edu.au

2019 PARENT OPINION SURVEY

WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

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. This year the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from Monday 22rd July to 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 with a letter today with a PIN number to access Whitfield District Primary Schools survey.

The survey results will be reported back to the school at the end of September. Please speak to the principal at the school if you would like more information.

MasterChef cooking!

Our last cooking session with Linda, Linda gave us each a bag with a secret ingredient in it, our secret ingredient was broccoli. We had Rosie as our group leader, together we decided to make a broccoli and cauliflower bake. We had to get some cauliflower from another group. So we got to work I started cutting up broccoli and Wirra started cutting up the cauliflower then we steamed them. While they were steaming, we had a gas problem so they stopped steaming, then Greg fixed it and then we started grating the cheese to go on top, then we put it all in a tray and then put the cheese on top. We pulled it out of the oven and it was nice and crispy. I enjoyed cooking with a surprise package because it was a surprise and we did not know what was in the bag. I was very happy with the meal we made

and we won! Also I'm excited to meet our new

cooking teacher tomorrow. By Milly



MELBOURNE VICTORY

Near the end of term Melbourne Victory came to school and showed us some drills. The people that came and did the drills with us were Anna and Daniel. We also played a game one just with our class and one with Myrrhee 4-7. They came in the second class that we did.

The games were exciting and fun because it was intense. The ball was at one end of the ground and so close to getting a goal and then it went to the other end. We think we should do it more, not one time a year, two times would be good because it is so fun. At the end we all got a poster and stickers and they signed our poster. Hope we see them again. We got some new things for school, one thing we got were soccer nets for the goals, so the ball stops when we score a goal. By Emily and Delilah.



OSH bowling and movie

First we went on the bus to bowling, some people got strikes.

We watched Toy Story 4 and if we brought money we could get popcorn, candies or drinks, coca cola, Fanta etc. Then we went back on the bus to school and the Osh room. I liked bowling best because I've never gone to that bowling place and this is the second time I've ever done bowling. I didn't get a strike though: (By Robert.

Winter Sports: T-ball

Every year our school and other schools do winter sports at Wangaratta. This year the sport I did was t-ball with Robert and some Moyhu kids came with us. When we got there we started to get our stuff and go to the first pitch. We got to bat first which was good. When we started we got into our order, I was seventh. We had to wear helmets for protection. Ivy, one of the Moyhu kids, hit the ball and nearly got a home run. When we fielded we had to wear gloves so the ball didn't hurt us. Later on we ended up winning and then moved on the next game.

We started off ok, but ended up losing. After a while we had to go back to the lady who said that we had to start moving on to the finals. We moved to the pitch and started. I got back home and scored a run and did well, but we ended up losing.

Finally we were at our last game. We started off really good and it stayed like that for a while. Then we switched places and fielded. They were good but we ended up winning the match. I felt happy about it because we all had a try and it was one of the first times I had played T-ball and I would love to do it again. By Ollie.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

On the last day of term, we did about 10-20 minutes of skipping and then played soccer and ate pizza. Lots of parents showed up to the event. Before the event, we learnt individual skips and group skips. I liked the playing and skipping the most. There were little kids who don't go to school yet as well. We showed a group skip called an egg beater, where two ropes are in an X position and swing with long ropes. Me and Robert and the little kids were doing a skip where two ropes would double up so you have to skip very fast. By Zac.



Well done to all students with their Jump Rope for Heart efforts. The school raised over \$800 for the Heart Foundation.

Jump Rope for Heart – photos





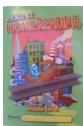






HOME READING





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

Congratulations 50 nights home reading: Tobias, Amy

Congratulations 75 nights home reading: Vera

Congratulations 100 nights home reading: Johann, Normie

Congratulations 125 nights home reading: Emily

Congratulations 150 nights home reading: Ruby