

NEWSLETTER

Term 2
May 29th, 2019

Exceptional Educational Experiences

DATES TO REMEMBER

Zone cross country – Wang. (age 10+)	Thu 6 th June
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!

Term 2	Cooking helper
Tuesday 11th June	Pupil free day – no cooking
Tuesday 26th June	Rosie / Nikki S

'THUMBS UP' AWARD

The Principal's 'Thumbs Up' Award recipients are students that have been seen doing great things at our school.

Aroha: For improving her writing and making longer sentences.

Vera: For her great effort with her Maths Mates and working on her maths skills.

Normie: For her positive attitude and effort in maths.

Toria: For perseverance with her business idea and working independently.

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 ☺



Numeracy corner

Using playing cards

Playing with cards is always a fun activity, particularly on a rainy day or on holidays.

You can:

- Play matching number games like 'Snap' with playing cards.
- Order the numbers on the cards from smallest to largest, or largest to smallest.

Playing shop

Playing shop helps ground your child's maths learning in the real world while also developing their social skills. One way to play shop is to create a mini-shop at home.

Here are a few tips and activities:

- Collect food and grocery items and label them with prices written on sticky notes, or prices cut out of shopping catalogues.
- Talk about how we pay for items using coins, notes and cards.
- Make paper money or use play money to buy and sell goods from the mini-shop.
- Collect old receipts or price tags and use them in the mini-shop.
- Notice the features of different coins, including their shapes and the animals and people shown. Discuss the differences. Create coin rubbings with pencils and paper.
- Encourage your child to order food items by height (tallest to the shortest) or by cost (least expensive to most expensive).
- Introduce kitchen scales to the mini-shop to weigh foods, such as a box of tea bags or a bag of rice, and order items by weight.

COOKING

Thanks to all our parent helpers and volunteers so far this year. This week students made one of the courses for the King Valley Art Show. The leek and fetta tarts are going to be super tasty. Well done year 3-6's. (And thanks Rosie, Sandy, Nettie, Jill and Linda for helping out).





Literacy corner



PERSONAL BEST SPORTS 'Tweets'

In literacy, the 4-6's have been looking at efficient use of language – summaries – and also working on safety in digital technologies. So it made sense to have this fortnight's contribution to the newsletter in the form of a 'tweet'. A tweet on Twitter is a maximum of 140 characters, that lets a person's 'followers' know what is happening, what they think, what they like, etc. (no matter how mundane!). Thankfully the 4-6's have made some great tweets about their sports day. Enjoy!



The gun went Bang! I was off. I tripped and did a little skip to get going. I was puffing at the end, but I had a lot of fun. I never used to like sprint, but now I do. It is fun! By Normie.



800m.
200m to go I was coming 4th I had to keep going, tank on full drive, I had crossed the line and I was feeling ecstatic I had beat my P.B. by 20 seconds and came 1st. By Emilio

In discus I beat my personal best because I got 11.00m and my best before that was 8.50. When I heard that I got 11.00m, I got super excited and I sprinted to my parents to show them. By Owen.

In long distance I was ready and then the gun went bang! I ran so fast I started to get tired I breathed through my nose and out through my mouth, and I saw Isabelle was catching up!
By Casey

800m came from least fav to most fav. I smashed my PB. I am so proud, I stayed consistent, kept my breath and made the most of it. At the end I was so puffed, I had so much fun. By Zoi



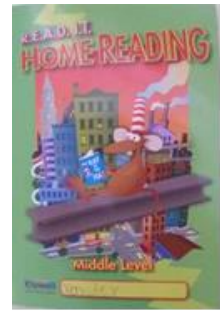
In Distance I beat my personal best by 52 seconds. (800m) I can't believe I beat my personal best by so much, I tried my best. I felt proud and very tired. By Robert.

High jump By Victoria

I loved high jump it's my favourite event. I was nervous when I went over the bar then I felt happy. And I went crazy. I jumped 75cm.

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:

Isabelle, Claire

Congratulations 50 nights home reading:

Owen, Robert, Ollie

Congratulations 75 nights home reading:

Johann

Congratulations 100 nights home reading:

Ruby

800m run.

I was in the front of the group I ran with a friend from another school. My time was one second slower but I was still proud. At the end I sprinted and I did not come last. By Emily



800m run

In long distance I ran next to Normie, we stayed next to each other the whole time and got similar times I was really tired after long distance and my legs were sore. By Amy.

In high jump I beat my PB by 3 ½ cm. I was going really well, I hadn't knocked the bar off at all then at 128cm I knocked the bar 3 times. I was thrilled to have beat my best. By Wirra



Long Jump

As I ran up I knew that I could smash my PB & I did. When I jumped it felt like I was flying, I landed and felt like I was on top of the world. I was so proud and ecstatic! By Claire



I swiftly jumped the high jump bar. Who Hoo! I made 107cm my best. Now to tackle the 110cm. I pump the air, I made it! That put me in a good mood for the rest of the day. By Isabelle

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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 ☺

In long distance I was coming second then dad said to step it up, so I over took Mia then I got to the 100m mark and then started sprinting and crossed the finish line. First! By Milly



800m

I can't believe I got my PB by 10 seconds! It was amazing for me, I felt so much quicker than usual, I felt fit and strong throughout the race, I knew I was going to get my PB. By Judd

It's at 126cm. Wirra and Lachlan have already cleared it. I start my run up. I reach the bar & I jump up & get my new PB. We try our hardest on the next jump but can't clear it. By Ned



When I did long distance I ran normally for the first lap then on the second lap I ran really fast at the end of it. I beat my best and I felt really happy about it. By Ollie.

My favourite sport was discus. My p.best discus was 12.50m. My first try was 12.40 my second try I got 11.00, it wasn't my best. I wish we did discus more. By Delilah

Congratulations 10yr olds for your perfect triple jump technique. You guys certainly had the best sequence on the day. Well done to all who got a P.B. in triple jump. By Mr. V.B.

3-4 Camp, Challenge and Grow - Zip lining

As the group walked down to the shed, our group got one harness and one helmet and our teacher got the tails. I was so excited to go on the flying fox and the whole group was too. We got to choose a partner and I chose Charlie. She is my new friend. I was second and I was ready, I said "this is incredible!" When I got to the bottom of the zip line. I had two more goes. On one of the goes, I held hands with Charlie on the zip line. After three goes we went back to camp and we had showers. By Casey!



OPERA VICTORIA

On Monday 17th June the whole school will be travelling to the Melbourne Arts Centre to see Opera Victoria's performance of Alice Through the Opera Glass. We have been tuning in each week to a 'Live Stream' with Opera Victoria that has been teaching students about the origins of opera, languages and the design process. There are two more live stream sessions (the rehearsal room and the orchestra) before we see the opera in real life. On **Monday 17th June**, we will be leaving school at **6:30am** and travelling down by coach for the 10:30am performance. We also have a guided tour of the Arts Centre booked in for after the show.



If parents would like to join us for the excursion, the cost will be **\$30**. There are a limited number of seats that I have on hold with the Arts Centre, so I will need to know by this Friday if you would like to come. Please text 0428 298 286 or call the school by Friday afternoon. *Note: there is **no cost** to the students, thanks to some grants we have been successful with that has significantly subsidised the experience.

HOT LUNCHES – Terms 2 & 3

Thanks to Suz for the warming pumpkin soup and Crispo's for the ice cream in a cone



last week. Today's spaghetti bolognese was super from Liss and thanks to Suz again for the chocolate cake with cream. 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.

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE



Student's pitched their business ideas to Pete Sacco from the Social Enterprise Academy and Liss last week. Students did a great job (some by themselves)! Students learnt that a business should involve trading, (buying and selling) and aim to be an 'ongoing' enterprise, rather than short events. We are close to deciding and announcing this year's enterprise. Stay tuned.

In the meantime... we have purchased a 10kg wallaby milk powder for Claire Crossman (and Darcy the wallaby) with profits from last year.



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SCHOOL PET - 'Budge' (and elections)



We have a new pet at school, a budgerigar named 'Budge'.

The F-3 class have been learning about 'living things' in their science class this term and what living things need in order to survive. Miss Feldtmann has a class roster for who is looking after and responsible for Budge each school day.

May

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
		1	X	X	X	X
6	X	7	X	X	X	X
13	X	14	X	X	X	X
20	X	21	X	X	X	X
27	X	28	X	X	X	X
3		4				
10		11				
17		18				
24		25				
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Names written on the calendar: Inanny, Josh, Mike, Tobias, Vera, Aroha, Hope, King, Maya, Kody, Johann, Ruby, Ethan, Reuben, Miss P.

The F-3 class also came up with the seven names that the whole school voted on. The students each presented the persuasive writing to the year 4-6's to convince them of what a great name would be.

Each student got to vote, and with the preferential voting system – each student had to number every box 1 – 7 (1 for the favourite name and 7 for least favourite). After the first round of voting, no name had 50% of the vote, so we had to go to preferences.

In the end we had a two party preferred vote of 'Budge' 66.7% to 'Aquie' 33.3%.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Whitfield Day Care along with

Neil May

Director

NKM First Aid and Training Pty Ltd

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P: P.O. Box 337, Reservoir, 3073

ABN. 25 606 077 534

Is running a

First Aid Course a level 1 or 2.

Saturday 29th June 9.00am - 5.00pm approx

Provide First Aid (HLTAID003)

\$150.00 per person

Provide, [Asthma Awareness 10760NAT](#)
Emergency Asthma Management and
Anaphylaxis awareness

\$190.00 per person

Could you please contact Nikki Sheppard on
0437 737 587

or email gnsheppard@bigpond.com

for more details.

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 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.

OSHC

Please phone **0448 298 467** to make bookings for OSH or to cancel a permanent booking. Please do not ring the school number for OSH or changes to end of school day arrangements.