WHOLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY WELCOME BBQ & YEAR 6 LEADERSHIP BADGE PRESENTATION

It was fantastic to see so many families at the whole school BBQ last Tuesday. We had a great turn up. It was a good time for staff and parents to talk in a relaxed setting and parents to get to know one another, in our beautiful school surroundings.

Huge thanks to all the parents who helped with the BBQ without this support the evening would not have been so successful.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP @NILMA

Congratulations to students in year 6 who attended the School family BBQ to receive their badges for 2015. We were very fortunate to have our Mayor Councillor Debbie Brown available to present the badges to students.

We look forward to outstanding leadership skills from these children—Lachlan Axford, Andrew Burdett, Max Chesterfield, Holly Farnham, Jamie Garten, Megan Griggs, Kael Mason, Shelby McGrath, Angus Mulconry, Sine Salt, Deakin Santo, Anthony Scott, Rose Ann Scott, Astrid Smith, Tahlia Witney and Kirtsy Wooster.

CRICKET TRIALS

Thanks to Paul Burdett for taking Lachlan Axford, Anthony Scott and Andrew Burdett to the State Cricket Trials for the Victorian Under 12 Cricket Team at Yarragon yesterday. If selected students will be notified in the near future.

SCHOOL VALUES’ STICKER COMPETITION

Our core values of Respect and Responsibility, Environment, Achievement and Learning will be interwoven through our learning community at Nilma. Students had the opportunity to design a picture to reflect one of the values. All students voted on best designs—eight works of art will be printed in the centre of our new school sticker awards. (See the designs above)

Congratulations to Cohen Cogo, Ashlee Cooke, Aiden Smythe, Piper Bundle, Sine Salt, Holly Farnham, Bailey Stephens and Ashton Kimm for being successful with your art work.
R.E.A.L STUDENTS@NILMA

Student of the Week
Recognitions

Homegroup F Red
Mia Wood
For your ‘have a go attitude’. You have worked really hard with all your learning tasks, wanting to do your best. Keep it up Mia!

Homegroup 2/1/ Green
Piper Bundle
For showing such a positive attitude to all aspects of your learning and always considering and respecting your fellow students.

Homegroup 5/4/3 Blue
Amelia Scanlon
For making such a great effort at settling into your new school at Nilma Primary. A fantastic start to your learning in 2015. Well done Amelia!

Homegroup 6/5 Yellow
Whole Home Group
For demonstrating awesome sportsmanship during our match of cricket. Everyone was extremely positive when encouraging each other. Fantastic!

L.A.U.G.H Program
Learning Activities Under Guidance of Home
NIGHTLY READING

25 nights
Nick Addison
Olivia Addison
Ella Perry
Kiara Perry

PLAYGROUND AWARDS
Winners
- Ashlee
- Angus
- Sine
- Kael

Happy Birthday
Miller Bundle
Nick Addison
Thomas Buckler
Emma Brown
**HOMEGROUP HAPPENINGS!**

**Circle Time**
Each week our class sits down together for circle time. Circle time promotes listening to others, developing oral communication skills and sharing thoughts and feelings. This week we have been focusing on remembering each others names and sharing about some friends we have made at school. Together we made a ‘spider web’ by passing the wool to a classmate to learn their name and say something positive about them.

**Kitchen Garden News**
In our Kitchen Garden two weeks ago our menu included Vietnamese Rice Paper Rolls and a nice Leafy Green Salad. Kiandra and Meg made the leafy green salad with lemon, pepper and a secret ingredient which was sugar! All those ingredients were mixed in together to make the dressing. Brianna did the Vietnamese rice paper rolls. Mrs Hodge baked us some bread rolls. After we cooked our lunch we invited Mr Williams in to have lunch with us. It was a yummy lunch, we loved it.

By Kiandra, Brianna and Meg.

**Chooks**
I like to cuddle the chooks. We have 2 chooks. I like to play with them at recess and lunch time. I always go in there to check their food. They like pecking their food.

By Tari

**Gardening**
Last week in gardening we went on a weed hunt. We found lots of different weeds.

By Jade

In gardening we have been pulling out weeds. We pulled out the weeds because they are not good for the plants.

By Blake

In gardening we pulled out weeds. The weeds are not good because they take water away from the vegetables.

By Levi

**STATE CRICKET TRIALS**
Today Andrew, Anthony and I went to the State Cricket Trials at Yarragon. There was about 30 kids trying out for the team. All the schools around Gippsland were there. We don’t know if we have got through yet.

I tried my best and had a go.

Lachy Axford.

**Yarragon State Cricket Trials**
Today was the day that we, Andrew, Lachy and I went to Yarragon to try out for the State Cricket Team. We were in the nets batting and bowling. I don’t think that I’ll go through against all the kids that were there, but I tried my best.

Anthony Scott.

**State Cricket Trials Yarragon**
Today Me, Lachy A and Anthony Scott went to Yarragon to try out for the state cricket trials. When we got there we went to the nets and put our bags and stuff down and we had a bowl. Lachlan batted first and I was bowling to him. There was 4 nets. I was in the 2nd net. We didn’t get to find out who went through but it was really fun.

Andrew Burdett.
We picked beans and made a wicking box which is a self watering system. By Angus.

I made a mushroom for the garden. I helped bend the wire and put the cement in. By Andrew.

We made a cement mushroom. Rose-Ann and I made the cement it was fun. We needed more sound. We put it in a bowl with a pipe and put the cement around it. It was apart of arts in the garden which we do every second week.

We learnt to make a whicky box. You need: a box, cotton, plants, soil, water, rocks and a pipe and something to poke a hole in a box with.

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**Parent Club**

**Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser**

Attached to the newsletter is a Hot Cross Bun Order. All varieties are per 1/2 dozen. Varieties include Traditional $4.00, No Fruit $4.00, Apple/Cinnamon $5.00 and Choc Chip $5.00.

All orders with correct payment are due at the office by Friday 13th March. Late orders cannot be accepted.

Delivery will be on Wednesday 25th March. More order forms are available from the office.

**‘Snax with attitude’ fundraiser**

An order form is attached to the newsletter for our ‘Snax with Attitude fundraiser’. All orders and correct payment are due at the office by Friday 13th March. Late orders cannot be accepted. Delivery for this fundraiser will be on Wednesday 25th March. More order forms are available from the office if needed.
SCHOOL BBQ—Year 6 Leaders
SCHOOL BANKING
Well done to all the consistent savers last year, our school bankers have seen their balances grow over the past 12 months!
Welcome to the new bankers this year, we have had 8 join up so far! Remember that the more deposits you make, the more tokens you will collect and be able to redeem them for prizes!
If anyone else would like to join the school banking program you can sign up at your local Commonwealth Bank branch or see Belinda in the Office for more information.
Please remember that bank books must be handed in on Friday mornings to be processed as late books will be held over until the following week.
School banking days are advertised in the school newsletter.

STUDENT PERMISSION FORMS AND MEDICATION FORMS
The 2015 Student Permission Booklets were sent home with a previous copy of the newsletter. The booklets must be correctly filled out and have been returned to school by Friday 13th February.
This booklet contains the annual permission notices for many aspects of the school. It also contains some medical management plans if required.
If you have not already returned the booklet could they please be returned ASAP so your child’s information and confidential file be updated and maintained accordingly.
If you require another booklet or would like more information regarding this, please speak to the office staff.
If your family details have changed over the holiday period could you please provide the school in writing any information that may need changing in our records e.g. telephone numbers, contact details, addresses, emergency contacts etc.

OLD SCHOOL FURNITURE
We have a number of old school chairs and tables out the back—if you would like to get one please see Ms Sutherland—We would like to continue to clear the school grounds of clutter!

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS - VOLUNTEERING AT SCHOOL
We are currently seeking parents to volunteer in our classrooms. Parents volunteering will need a current Working With Children Check. These checks are free of charge and can be processed online. Please bring a copy of your WWCC to the office if you are able to volunteer in the classroom.

MT WORTH CLUSTER CAMPS - YEAR 6/5 AND YEAR 4/3
YEAR 4/3 CAMP
Attached to last weeks newsletter was information regarding the Year 4/3 Camp to Forest Edge. Please return this form with first payment by Thursday 5th March. More details regarding this camp will be sent out in a few weeks.
YEAR 6/5 CAMP
Information regarding the Year 5 & 6 camp to Phillip Island was attached to last weeks newsletter. If your child is interested in attending this camp, please return the attached form with first payment by 26th March 2015. More information for this camp will be sent home at a later date.

IMPORTANT DATES - SCHOOL CAMP!
Year 6/5 Camp at Phillip Island - 25th May to 27th May
Year 4/3 Camp at Forest Edge - 30th April to 1st May (Overnight)
Last week I wrote about the 5 ways that children understand and receive love—through physical touch, words of affirmation, quality time, gifts and acts of service.

The first one, physical touch, refers to any kind of physical contact we have with our children—from hugging and kissing to a gentle touch on the back, arm or shoulder, even a massage if requested as they get older. Physical touch is one of love’s strongest voices, so all children need this expression of love.

Research studies over many years have found that babies who are held, hugged and kissed develop a healthier emotional life than those who don’t have this experience.

For some children, physical touch is their most important love language—it really fills up their emotional tanks. Next week I’ll write about more about this love language.

Have a great week!           From Anne Prime
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