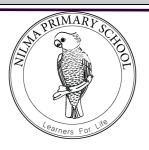
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NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal Notes

Thursday 12th March 2015

Principal

Ms Annette Sutherland

Business Manager

Mrs Rachel Hammond

School Council President

Mrs Nicki Kimm

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WARRAGUL SHOW **SUCCESS**







Congratulations to all students who entered items in the Warragul Show. Nilma PS won 1st prize for a 'collection of vegetables', and 1st Prize for a 'plate of vegetables'. Well Done to Astrid Smith who won 1st prize in the 'Novelty Vegie' event. Max Chesterfield received 2nd prize in this event, and Kiara Perry received 2nd prize. All students who entered received a certificate.



THANKYOU TO OUR STUDENT DIARY SPONSORS



PARENT CLUB

Due to Sports Day being on the 13th March, Hot Cross Bun & Snax with Attitude forms can be handed into the office by 9am Monday 16th March. Orders will be sent off at 9.30am, no late orders will be accepted after this.

ATHLETIC SPORTS Tomorrow...

Athletic Sports Organisation

During the morning students participate in individual events with students from other schools. These events are in age groups for boys and girls. Children rotate around various events and receive ribbons depending on places.

During the afternoon, Buln Buln, Nilma and Darnum schools compete in team events to compete for the WGRSSA Shield. Good luck Nilma!

Athletic Sports Parking

This year the parking at the Geoff Watt track is somewhat compromised by sewerage works. You may need to park further away than in previous

It would be appreciated if drivers arriving at the Athletic Sports adhered to the following directions:-Enter via the entry closest to the bus depot (next to the Regional College pedestrian crossing). If dropping off children turn to the left and after dropping children exit at the other end. If parking follow the instructions of the parking Marshalls (in orange vests) and turn right onto the large grass area adjacent to the tennis courts. Please note there will be a section through the treed area (marked with bunting) that acts as a laneway to the parking area and must be kept clear at all times.

Please respect the parking marshalls who are trying to ensure the safety of the children and the smooth and efficient movement of many vehicles.

PARENT EDUCATION PROGRAM—classroom helpers

Thanks to the parents who attended the parent information session today. If you could not make it to the training and would like to be a parent helper in the classroom—more training will be offered at suitable times—you can let me know what days you may be available to support.

We will commence 'Parents as Classroom Helpers' at the beginning of term 2. Thanks Annette.

Athletic Sports Tomorrow

All Information in last week's newsletter













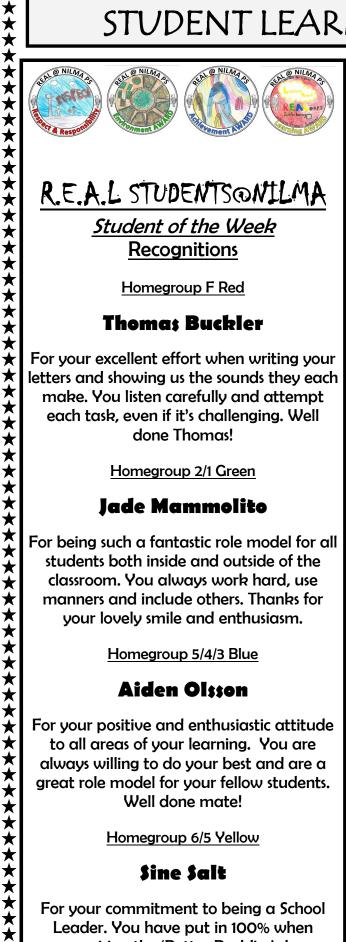






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STUDENT LEARNING @ NILMA



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Student of the Week Recognitions

Homegroup F Red

Thomas Buckler

For your excellent effort when writing your letters and showing us the sounds they each make. You listen carefully and attempt each task, even if it's challenging. Well done Thomas!

Homegroup 2/1 Green

Jade Mammolito

For being such a fantastic role model for all students both inside and outside of the classroom. You always work hard, use manners and include others. Thanks for your lovely smile and enthusiasm.

Homegroup 5/4/3 Blue

Aiden Olsson

For your positive and enthusiastic attitude to all areas of your learning. You are always willing to do your best and are a great role model for your fellow students. Well done mate!

Homegroup 6/5 Yellow

Sine Salt

For your commitment to being a School Leader. You have put in 100% when organising the 'Better Buddies' day.

L.A.U.G.H Program

Learning Activities Under Guidance of Home NIGHTLY READING

25 nights

Jai Williames Miller Bundle

Lili Parry-Thomas

Meg Devlin Ty Kindermann

Cohen Cogo

Emma Brown Lewis Devlin

Deklan Majcherzak

Elizabeth Dalrymple Thomas Buckler

Ashlee Cooke Deakin Santo

PLAYGROUND AWARDS

Winners



- Aiden Smythe
- **Deakin Santo**
- Deklan Majcherzak
- Cohen Cogo
- Blake Stone



Happy Birthday

Tari Booth



HOMEGROUP HAPPENINGS!

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Home Group **Ruby Red** Mrs Evans

Whole Class Reward!

As promised we had our whole class reward yesterday after play.

We watched a movie. We watched Charlotte's Web. We had popcorn. Jai W

We watched Charlotte's Web. I liked eating popcorn. We made the room dark for the movie. Nick

We watched a movie. The spider died. We ate popcorn. Blake S



Gardening

In gardening we are cutting tomatoes. We are chopping tomatoes and going to put them into jars. By Anthony

We are cutting tomatoes. We are Emerald Green putting the scraps into the compost. We are using a chopping board. We are Berkelmans going to put the tomatoes into jars. The tomatoes can be kept in jars for many, many years. We can cut as many tomatoes as we want. By Jade



Home Group - 543 -**Aqua Blue** Mr Williams

Sports Day is tomorrow and hopefully I can still do the events because I had just broken the tendons and ligaments in my left arm by falling of the flying fox and hyper extending it. If I can I will be looking forward to doing turbo jav and sprint. Today I ran 300m, it was exhausting! First I ran the 200m and then I ran 100m. We were supposed to run 70m but it was so close to the other goalposts we just ran 100m anyway. On Friday it's going to be Sports Day. I'm most excited about the running race. At school we

have been practising lots of the sports like running, throwing... and don't forget jumping. It has been lots of fun. I'm in the year 9 group. Meg Devlin and I are the only girls in our group. I hope that you can come parents, it will be lots of fun. By Nataly Santo

Parents, we hope you can come to the Sports Day on Friday and watch us. We would love it if you would come. Josie Ross

For Sports Day we are doing hurdles, turbo jay, vortex, gumboot throw and shot putt. We are doing a 400m run as well. I was tired yesterday when I practised. Lots of family people are able to come on Sports Day. It is tomorrow on Friday the 13^{th.} I am really looking forward to our Sports Day. Teagan George

Persuasive Writing

School Holiday Should **NOT** be longer!

To the Department of Education, I have heard that there is an insane idea that you might make school holidays longer. However I absolutely disagree. Do you want to know why?



Home Group

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Miss

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Home Group 65 Lemon Yellow Miss Matarczyk

For one, you can forget all your learning. It can be a bit hard going back to school. If we have longer school holidays we won't have enough time at school to learn more.

For those of us who don't have siblings we do not have anyone to play with. We will become bored. We will just sit there and watch/play TV, Wii, Xbox, Xbox 360, Xbox one, PS, PS4, PS2 or PS3.

This is what I think will happen; You can become BORED and FORGET ALL YOUR LEARNING. This is what I think. I absolutely disagree! From Kael

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STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM



VEGETABLE STALL

Thankyou to parents and staff who have been buying fresh produce from our Vegetable stall. Last week we raised \$14.25 which will be used to purchase more seeds for our garden!........

Thank you to Lean and Green for their fantastic support towards the SAKGP. They have recently donated a 25kg bag of flour to use in cooking sessions.



CHAPLAIN'S CHAT

This week the "love language" we're looking at is "words of affirmation". In communicating love, words are powerful. Words of affection, words of praise and encouragement, words that give positive guidance all say "I care about you". Children carry the benefit of affirming words with them, for a lifetime. It is also true that cutting words are remembered by our children and negatively impact their self-esteem.

Words of Affection and Endearment

Long before children understand the meaning of words, they receive emotional messages. Tone of voice, the gentleness of mood and the sense of being cared for, all convey emotional warmth and love. Love is an abstract concept—children can't see love as they can see a toy or a book, so they need our words of love to be associated with affectionate feelings, such as a hug. As they grow older, the words "I love you" can be used in different ways and times, so they become connected with regular events (eg when sending your child off to school.) Words of love can be combined with genuine praise for something about your child. This is powerful in building positive self image.

Words of Praise

Words of Praise are different from words of affection and endearment. Words of affection and love mean expressing for the unique person our child is. In contrast, we give praise for what the child does, either in achievements or behaviour or attitudes.

Let's enjoy seeing our children respond to words of affection and praise this week. Anne Prime

YEAR 6 LEADERS—'Better Buddy' Program Launch

PEER SUPPORT / BUDDY PROGRAM—BETTER BUDDIES LAUNCH—PURPLE DAY!!!!

This term our whole school Peer Support Program has been very effective in building student relationships and sense of belonging in the school. The 'Buddies' have been working together on various games and activities to get to know each other.

Our year 6 Leaders: Deakin Santo, Tahlia Witney, Sine Salt and Jamie Garten will be project managing our **Better Buddies Launch—Purple Day** on **Friday 20th March** as part of their leadership roles.

Students will be having a <u>free sausage sizzle</u> (Only one each—so students will still need lunch) followed by the afternoon of Buddy Activities in four R E A L Teams. Parents are welcome to come along and watch for the afternoon. Year 6 Leaders will introduce the Buddy Bears, coordinate activities to promote building of relationships and have some FUN! **STUDENTS TO WEAR SOMETHING PURPLE on the Day!!!!**

SCHOOL ORGANISATION

JAPANESE INTERN—HOST FAMILIES

Our Japanese Intern will be coming over in term 2, Darnum PS has organised 2 host families. Nilma PS will need to provide host families in terms 3 and 4, if you are interested in hosting this year or would like more information, please speak to Annette.

At this stage, unfortunately, it looks as though the exchange with families from Innai will not occur this year due to unforseen circumstances. We will keep interested families up to date with this information.

ICAS ASSESSMENTS

Attached to the newsletter is a letter and permission form outlining the 2015 ICAS Assessments.

If your child is interested in participating please fill out and return the form and entry fees by Friday 27th March.

Students will receive the assessments at school and parents will be advised of the sitting dates as they become closer.

For any further information please speak to the office.

NEERIM DISTRICT DISCOVERY DAY Year 6 Students

Selected Year 6 students will be attending a Discovery Day at Neerim District Secondary College on Wednesday 18th March. During the day, students will participate in a number of classes and discover what the college has to offer in Science and Technology. Students will experiment, make and cook on the day. Students will be travelling by car to and from the venue with Doug and Sharon Salt. Students will be leaving Nilma PS at 8.30am and returning to Nilma PS at 3.40pm.

MT WORTH CLUSTER CAMPS

YEAR 4/3 CAMP

Just a reminder that all forms need to be returned by Wednesday 18th March. Final payment is due by Thursday March 26th 2015. Please speak to the office for more information.

YEAR 6/5 CAMP

Information regarding the Year 5 & 6 camp to Phillip Island has been sent home with the newsletter previously. If your child is interested in attending this camp, please return the form with first payment by 26th March 2015. More information for this camp will be sent home at a later date.

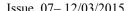
FARM WORLD EXCURSION—THURSDAY 26th MARCH 2015

Attached to the newsletter are permission forms for Farm World. All students will be attending this excursion on Thursday 26th March. If parents have already paid the excursion levy for the year then there will be NO COST for this excursion. For parents who have not paid any excursion levy then there will be a cost of \$12.50 for this excursion.

Students will be travelling by bus and private car to and from this excursion, leaving Nilma PS at 9.00am and returning to Nilma PS at 3.15pm.

There will be an opportunity for parents to support learning on this excursion. Please return the slip below if parent/s would be interested in coming along to assist on the day by Wednesday 18th March. Parents assisting will need their Working with Children's Check (WWCC). They will also need to make their own way to and from Lardner Park

FARM WORLD PARENT HELPERS					
I would like to volunteer to help at the Farm World	excursion on Thursday 26th March. I have a current WWCC.				
Name:					
Signed:	Date:				





NILMA PRIMARY Issue 07–12/03/2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR

MARCH 2015

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sa	Su
9 No School - Public Holiday	10	11	12	13 Athletics Sports Day	14	15
16	Athletic Sports Back up Day School Council 6pm	NDSC Discovery Day Selected Year 6/5 students	MARC Van Forest Edge Camp 2nd Payment Due	20 Better Buddies Launch— Purple Day School Banking	21	22
23	24	25	Farm World Excursion Forest Edge Camp Full Payment Due Phillip Island Camp 1st Payment Due	27 End of Term 1 Finish 1.15pm	28	29

APRIL 2015

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sa	Su
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Start Term 2	14	15	16 MARC Van	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 School Banking	25	26
27	28	29	30 MARC Van Year 4/3 Camp Forest Edge			

MAY 2015

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sa	Su
				Year 4/3 Camp Forest Edge School Banking	2	3
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