ATHLETIC SPORTS
Congratulations to the whole school community. What a team effort at the sports! Well done to all students that participated in the WGRSSA Sports Day on Friday 13th March. All students participated and tried their best at both team and individual events. Feedback from our teachers and staff from other schools was extremely positive. Nilma students participated well and had excellent behaviour all day! Thanks to all the parents for coming along too!

PURPLE DAY TOMORROW
Our student leaders Deakin Santo, Tahlia Witney, Sine Salt and Jamie Garten will be co-ordinating the afternoon activities. Please see page 4 for details. Don’t forget to wear purple!

JAPANESE INTERN
Our Japanese Intern, Yuuka Takeuhi will be arriving in Australia on Monday 13th April. Annette will be collecting Yuuka from the airport on this day. ‘I have been to Australia last Summer to study English for a month. This was my university’s program. I stayed with a family in Hobart and went to a language institute of University of Tasmania. Before going back to Japan, I went sightseeing in Sydney. This will be my second time for me to go to Australia and fortunately I can stay there longer than before. I feel like Australia is my second homeland.’

FARM WORLD
All students will be attending the Farm World excursion which will be held next Thursday 26th March. Students will be travelling by bus and private car. Permission forms were attached to the newsletter last week. Car travel forms are attached for selected students on the newsletter today.

The cost of this excursion is $12.50 per student. Families only need to pay this if the excursion levy and school fees have not been paid.

THANKYOU TO OUR STUDENT DIARY SPONSORS

DOMINOES TRADING DAY
Next Tuesday 24th March, students may bring Dominoes to school to trade and share with other students. These Dominoes are available at Woolworths supermarkets.

SUBJECT CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXCURSION LEVY
Payment of the subject contribution $130 and excursion levy $50 is due by Monday 23rd March. Thank you to the families who have already paid this, or are making regular payments. Payments can be made to the school by cash, cheque or via bank deposit.

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY
At the last School Council Meeting, the Annual Report to the School Community 2014 was presented. Copies are available from the office if any parent would like one.

NEWSLETTER
Due to the Farm World excursion on Thursday, the newsletter next week will be distributed on Wednesday 25th March.

LAST DAY OF TERM
FRIDAY 27TH MARCH
EARLY FINISH
1.15PM
R.E.A.L STUDENTS@NILMA

Student of the Week
Recognitions
Homegroup F Red
Alex Chesterfield
For your fantastic school spirit at WGRSSA Athletic Sports Day. You gave every activity a go with a wonderful smile and excitedly cheered on Nilma. Go Alex!

Homegroup 2/1 Green
Oliver Turner
For making a great effort in all areas of your learning and always being willing to “have a go” and do your best.

Homegroup 5/4/3 Blue
Kiara Perry
For your amazing enthusiasm and efforts in all areas of your learning. You display all the REAL @Nilma values and a most responsible attitude. You are a great role model for your fellow students. Well done mate!

Homegroup 6/5 Yellow
Bailey Dent
For your great sportsmanship at the WGRSSA Athletic Sports Day. You tried extremely hard and were willing to help out in the team games. Fantastic!

L.A.U.G.H Program
Learning Activities Under Guidance of Home
NIGHTLY READING
25 nights
Jade Mammolito
Shila Bundle
Larissa Hamilton-Burnett
Sine Salt
Olivia Addison
Larissa Hamilton-Burnett
Savannah Farmer
Clint Scott Kiandra Polglaze
Blake Stone
Jai Macfarlane
Max Chesterfield
Charlotte Goodchild
Meg Griggs
Kiara Perry
Teagan George
Holly Farnham

50 Nights

PLAYGROUND AWARDS

Winners
- Deklan Majcherzak
- Lachlan Axford
- Beth Axford
- Miller Bundle

Happy Birthday

Jai Macfarlane
Larissa Hamilton-Burnett
Home Group Happenings!

**Sports Day**

At Sports Day I did long jump. Elizabeth
At Sports Day I did vortex. Harrison
At Sports Day I liked the running. Ty
At Sports Day I did fast running. Jai W
At Sports Day I did hay bales. Cohen
I had fun at Sports Day. Alez
At Sports Day I got 5 ribbons. Mia

Sports Day

On the 13th of March we had the school sports. It was at Geoff Watt Track. I did long jump. I got first in long jump. By Jessie

On the 13th of March we had the School Sports. It was at Geoff Watt Track. I did egg and spoon race. The schools at the school sports were Darnum, Buln Buln, Bona Vista and Ellinbank. By Tari

**Sports Day  Friday 13/3 /2015**

I was so excited, it was Sports Day. The first activity the under nine group did was Target Throw. We got three throws and I came first. After Target Throw we did Long Jump but I didn’t get a ribbon. Then we did Hurdles. I came third because I had to run against all the fast people; Ashton, Aiden and Bailey-Jack. Next was Shot Put and then the Distance Run, that was 200m. I had a great day. By Daniel

On Friday 13/2/2015 it was sports Day. On Sports Day in the morning I was excited, then when I got there I was all pumped up. When I won the 200 metre run I was so excited I wanted to scream! Ashley
On Sports Day I competed in seven events. They were; Long Jump, Gumboot Throw, Hay Bale Hurdles, 200 metre run, 70 metre sprint, Tennis Ball Throw and a relay. My favourite event was relay because we won! I filled in for Zaic. I had fun. Nilma Primary School came third, some people cheered and clapped. We had a great day. By Bailey

On Friday it was Sports Day at the Geoff Watt Track in Warragul. I was excited because I did not have to go to school that day. Mum drove me there. Mum stayed all day to watch me and Savannah. We did not win the shield, I felt sad when we came third. By Zaic

**SIMILES**

I feel as happy as a rabbit with a carrot.
My hair is a smooth as a newborn baby’s belly.
I feel as angry as a warthog.
I am as excited as a puppy leaving the pet store.

By Meg Griggs.

The painting was as delicate as a ceramic piece of art.
The waterfall was rushing down the cliff like birds rushing through the sky.
The first day of school I shook like a washing machine.
The big shade tree was like a big umbrella.

By Rose-Ann Scott.

I feel like a dwarf when Tom’s friends come over.
I feel as cold as a little kid standing in the rain.
I look like I just woke up from 1000 years of sleep.

By Lachlan Axford.
HOT CROSS BUN ORDERS—Delivery for the Hot Cross Buns will be on **Tuesday 24th March**. Can parents please collect their orders from the staffroom at the end of school on Tuesday.

SNAX ORDERS— The Snax lolly orders will be delivered to the school on **Wednesday 25th March**. Parents can collect their orders after school on Wednesday.

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CHAPLAIN’S CHAT

In this series on your child’s “love languages” we’ve begun to talk about appropriate touch, followed by words of affirmation. They were:

- Words of affection that build emotional connectedness
- Words of praise for your child’s uniqueness, achievement, behaviour or attitude.

Today we are looking at Words of guidance.

Children need guidance. Loving guidance always has the child’s best interests in mind – its purpose is to help the child develop the qualities needed for the future. Sometimes, as parents, we can give the right message but in the wrong manner. As one child said, “My parents are yelling and screaming at me, telling me not to yell and scream!” Parents who offer words of living guidance will be looking closely at the interests and abilities of their children and giving positive verbal reinforcement of those interests.

The goal of course is to catch your child doing something good and then commending him or her for it. The end result is that you are guiding your child in their moral and ethical development. Remember always to ‘role model’ the behaviour you want from your children.

Just a few practical ideas to finish:

- Put a post-it note in their lunchbox with some encouraging words
- Make it a good habit to say “I love you,” whenever you tuck your child in bed or when leave for school.
- When your child is feeling down, share 5 reasons why you are proud of them.

Enjoy your weekend.

Anne Prime (Chaplain)

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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, TOMORROW, Friday 20th March** as part of their leadership roles.

Students will be having a **free sausage sizzle** (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 unforeseen circumstances. We will keep interested families up to date with this information.

MT WORTH CLUSTER CAMPS
YEAR 4/3 CAMP
Just a reminder that all forms need to be returned by Wednesday 25th 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.

PARENT HELPERS
We will be holding another Parent Education Program at the school. This program will be designed for parents to understand how you can best help in the classroom and with reading. All parents who attend must have a Working with Children Check to volunteer in the school. Could you please fill out the reply slip and return to the office by next Monday 23rd March 2015.

NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL—CLASSROOM HELPERS

Name of Parent:_______________________________________________________

Please nominate a preferred day and time to help out:_______________________________________________________

Signed by parent:_______________________________________________________

Date:_______________________________________________________

PARENT/TEACHER DISCUSSION FEEDBACK FORM

Thankyou to Parents who attended the Parent Teacher Discussions held on Thursday 19th February. The School would like Parent Feedback on the discussions, eg, relevance, timing, information etc. Could parents please record comments below and return to the office by Tuesday 24th March 2015.

Your feedback is important to us!

PARENT/TEACHER DISCUSSION—FEEDBACK

Comments:_______________________________________________________

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KITCHENGARDENPROGRAMREACHES 800 SCHOOLS!

Around 100,000 children at 800 schools across Australia are now learning the joys of growing, harvesting, preparing and sharing fresh, seasonal food as part of the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden National Program.

This momentous achievement, a goal of the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation and our Principal Partner Medibank, marks the completion of the Australian Government partnership to reach 10% of all Australian schools with a primary curriculum.

As a result of this success, the not-for-profit Foundation is opening up the benefits of the Kitchen Garden Program to all Australian children, with a unique, world-first membership service that will see all primary schools, secondary schools and early learning centres gain access to pleasurable food education resources, training and support.

This new membership service will help educators use real-life learning in the garden and kitchen to change the food habits of Australian children and help address the childhood obesity crisis, with 1 in 4 Australian children currently overweight or obese.

The not-for-profit Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation is Australia’s leading provider of pleasurable food education, helping children learn the joys of growing, harvesting, preparing and sharing fresh, seasonal food since 2001.

For more information go to www.kitchengardenfoundation.org.au
Kitchen Garden Foundation enquiries: Public Relations Coordinator Stacy Allen on (03) 8415 1993, 0487 888 566 or

WARRAGUL BADMINTON CLUB
Galloway St. Warragul

2015 JUNIOR REGISTRATION

Monday 23rd March 2015
6.30 p.m. – 7.30 p.m.

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME

Teams cater for all ages and skills in 5 different grades. Training provided.

Competition night-Friday night. $20.00 deposit required on registration.

Contact: Julie Young 0438 302167
ATHLETIC SPORTS
# NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL CALENDAR

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