THANK YOU-PARENT HELPERS
Thank you to Phil Farnham for your help with various maintenance jobs around the school. Thanks to Warrick Griggs for cleaning out the Air Conditioners/Heaters. Thanks to our new fundraising coordinators: Kelly Chesterfield, Natalie Axford, Nicki Kimm, and Leanne Perry

PARENT TEACHER DISCUSSIONS
The date for the Parent Teacher discussions is Thursday 28th June between 9.00am and 5.00pm. All children will be required to attend school on this day as it is a specialist day. Information and time allocation forms will be sent out next week. These forms will need to be returned to school by Wednesday 4th June. The confirmation of times will be sent out after this date.

NAPLAN ASSESSMENTS
National Assessments were completed today, Thursday 15th May. All Students in Year 3 and 5 completed mathematics, reading, writing and spelling assessments. Parents will receive the results of these assessments in September.

NEERIM DISTRICT SECONDARY COLLEGE- DISCOVERY DAY
Four of our Year 6 students will be attending Neerim District Secondary College next Tuesday 20th May as part of the Transition program. Students will be participating in various activities including cooking, woodwork and PE. Permission forms have been sent home today and must be returned by tomorrow.

SHRINE-RSL VISIT
Yesterday we were fortunate to have a visit from Jodie Smith, an education officer with the Shrine of Remembrance. Jodie spoke to the year 3-6 students about the role and lives of Australian soldiers and nurses in the First World War. Jodie brought along a “treasure trove” of historic items that the soldiers would have used or worn 99 years ago to share with the students and help enrich their understandings of this part of our history. Thanks to Mr Noel Tucker and the Warragul R.S.L for organising this visit to follow up our earlier excursion to the R.S.L. at the start of the term as part of our History studies.

SCHOOL INFORMATION EVENING
The date has been set for our evening—to commence our “Laying a great ‘Foundation’ for school success.” More detailed information will be sent to kindergartens and advertised in next weeks newsletter. If you know of any families please let us know and we will send out some information.
R.E.A.L STUDENTS@NILMA

Student of the Week

Recognitions
Homegroup 1/F Red
Deklan Majcherzak
For your fantastic effort when forming your numbers and counting in maths. You are working so hard, keep it up! Well done Deklan

Homegroup 3/2/1/ Green
Jack Moss
For putting a fantastic effort into your writing. You did a great job with your handwriting and spelling.

Homegroup 5/4/3 Blue
Megan Griggs
For always demonstrating a most responsible attitude to all aspects of your learning. You are always willing to challenge yourself to do your best and co-operate so well with others. Meg, you are a fantastic role model for your fellow students. Well Done mate!

Homegroup 6/5 Yellow
Anthony Scott
Consistently demonstrating the REAL @ Nilma values in both the classroom and the playground.

L.A.U.G.H Program
Learning Activities Under Guidance of Home
NIGHTLY READING
25 nights
Kylie Griggs  
Ashley Griggs  
Kiara Perry

50 nights
Kylie Griggs  
Angus Mulconry  
Cody Ward  
Sine Salt

75 Nights
Holly Farrham  
Megan Griggs

100 Nights
Olivia Addison

Happy Birthday
Cody Moss
Blake Witney
Zavier Allsopp
Alan Smith
Tennis

Yesterday was the second week of tennis for the junior classes at Nilma. After lunch the red group gets to have some tennis lessons and showcase their athletic skills. Here’s what they had to say...

I liked playing the jail break game. Jade

I liked jail break. We had to run and the coach was trying to hit us with the tennis balls. It was funny. Deklan

I liked running in jail break. The man tried to throw the tennis balls at us. Oliver

Class REAL Reward

Yesterday the red home group got to watch a movie and wear their pyjamas to school as our whole class REAL reward. Here’s what they had to say...

We watched ‘The Little Rascals’ and we got to bring our teddies. I liked the movie. Jade

We watched ‘The Little Rascals’. We ate some popcorn. Deklan

I liked watching the movie. One of the little rascals was eating roast chicken to get money for their club house. It was funny. Oliver

On Tuesday the Blue and Yellow home groups were visited by Jodie Smith from the Shrine of Remembrance. Students participated in discussions about Australia’s involvement in the First World War. They then had the opportunity to look at artefacts and try on soldier uniforms. Thank you to the Warragul RSL for organising Jodie’s visit, which was a follow up to our recent visit to the RSL.
Students have been introduced to the ‘Punctuation Pyramid’, learning the names and correct use of each symbol. Identifying the different forms of punctuation within texts, and highlighting punctuation within their own writing students then set a goal of which form of punctuation they will focus on next. There is an emphasis on students monitoring own usage and moving up levels. Please ask your children about the pyramid and what some of the symbols mean.

**LAUGH—SPELLING PROGRAM**

**LAUGH Sight and Spelling**

As part of our school Learning Activities Under Guidance of Home (LAUGH) program students in RED and Green home groups have been practising reading and spelling words at home. Students will work through different lists of words as they improve their reading and spelling strategies. Sight words will continue to come home on a lanyard, gold stars will be placed next to words when students can identify them. It’s a great way for students and yourself to see and acknowledge improvement.

Spelling words sent home will be based on student learning levels and interest to reinforce the learning within the classroom.

Please support your child with practising these words. Teachers will place red stars next to the words when students have achieved the correct spelling.

If you have any questions, feel free to come in and talk to Ms Closter and Ms Berkelmans.
PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE

This year our school will again be participating in the Premier’s Reading Challenge. Students from year Foundation to 6 are able to participate in the challenge which involves students reading a set number of books by 31st August. Last year 67 students from Nilma successfully completed the challenge. This year we expect all students to participate in the Challenge as part of our classroom reading and literature enrichment program. Years 3-6 will read a total of 15 books, at least 10 of which must be from the Challenge booklist and 5 of their own choice. Years Foundation -2 will read or “experience” 30 books with 20 or more coming from the Challenge list and the remaining can be their own choice. “Experiencing” a book for Foundation -2 can include a range of class or home activities such as sharing of a Big Book, shared reading at school and home, reading along with a text and being read to with parents, siblings and others.

To participate in the Premier’s Reader’s Challenge students will need to have parents complete the Registration and Consent form and return to school. A copy of this form was attached to this last week’s newsletter. Upon completion of the Premier’s Reading Challenge students will receive a certificate from the Premier and have their names published on the Reading Challenge Website. Students can borrow many of the titles on the Challenge Reading List from our library. The Warragul Library will also be an excellent source of books for the Challenge.

The Challenge provides students with a great opportunity to read a range of literature and a real focus for their own reading for pleasure. Thanks for your support. Good reading! Kerry Williams

WINTER SPORT

The Winter Sport Program commenced last Friday and will continue for another 5 weeks. Students are asked to bring the correct money for the sport they are playing in a named sealed envelope and hand it to the sport teacher on the day. If your child is unsure of the cost or the sport they are playing, please see the classroom teacher. The remaining dates for Winter Sport are: Friday May 16th, 23rd, 30th and Friday June 6th and 13th. The back up day is scheduled for June 20th in case of inclement weather. If a session is cancelled, students will remain at school as usual.

SCIENCE/GARDENING NEWS

After a very successful silverbeet pasta and fresh tomato sauce cooking class, we are now planning to cook a feast later this term and we would like to collect healthy recipes from home. This will help inspire healthy living and eating habits. Please send in your favourite healthy recipes. We also need some extra help on feast day, so please let us know if you are interested in helping to cook your recipes. Thankyou, Jessie McLennan

ART NEWS

At the end of last term the Yellow Group were very lucky to have Ms McLennan visit us in the Art Room. She showed us how to create some sculptures. After talking about different bird shapes and being shown how to model the clay we were able to create our own birds. Thanks for visiting us Ms McLennan for a very special art lesson.
## HOT LUNCHES
### MENU and PRICE LIST
### TERM 2  2014

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**Regular Lunch Item:** Juice Box  $1.00 - Assorted Flavours

**The Hot Food will only be available on the days listed above.**

### ORDERING PROCESS
1. Students can order from the menu.
2. Orders to be written on an envelope—student name/home group and list of lunch items and costs with TOTAL on envelope.
3. Orders to be handed into classroom teacher, the **MONDAY** before Hot Lunches.
4. Late orders will not be accepted.
ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

There are still a places available for both activities for term 2’s AASC. Please return the expression of interest form below to be able to participate.

AFL participants are; Deklan Majcherzak, Deakin Santo, Anthony Santo, Nataly Santo, Riley Kleeven, Zavier Allsopp and Ty Ward.

Swimming participants are; Deakin Santo and Sine Salt.
These sessions will be held at the Warragul Leisure Centre from 4pm - 5pm. Students are to have their healthy snack at home and then be brought to and from the venue.
Parents are most welcome to stay and watch these sessions.

Thanks Belinda.

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**AASC TERM 2 - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

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Please indicate your preference by using 1 or 2.

Signed ____________________________________________________________

Date __________________________
Thank you to those parents that came along to the meeting on Tuesday 13th May, and also to those who sent in apologies. A lot of discussion took place and new ideas were suggested and talked about in depth. Hopefully some of these ideas will come to fruition later in the year!

The following roles were discussed and the coordinators for them are;

**HOT LUNCHES:** Kelly Chesterfield  
**PIE DRIVE:** Natalie Axford  
**SWAP MEET:** Nicki Kimm  
**BUNNINGS/WOOLWORTHS SAUSAGE SIZZLE:** Leanne Perry

A huge **THANK YOU** to these parents who have taken up the roles. If you are able to help out in any of these fundraisers please speak to the coordinator. More details about the fundraisers will be advertised in future newsletters.

A meeting will be held again later this term, the dates will be published in the newsletter and on the school calendar!

Parent Club are looking forward to a productive term, working in partnership with the school and community. Attached to the newsletter is the Hot Lunch menu for Term 2. The first Hot Lunch will be on Wednesday 21st May and will continue every Wednesday until the end of term.

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**SCHOOL HAPPENINGS**

**URBAN CAMP—YEARS 4, 5 & 6**

Urban Camp will be held on Monday 2nd June until Wednesday 4th June 2014. The cost of this camp is $210 per student. Payment can be made in instalments using our payment plan, or paid as a lump sum.

**Full payment for the camp is due by Monday 26th May.**

If you have any queries regarding this, please contact the Office or speak to Annette.

Students will be visiting the Immigration Museum, Skydeck, MSAC Wipeout, MCG, Scienceworks and the Queen Vic Market. Students will be travelling to and from this camp by train. Children must be at the train station by 10.30am on Monday 2nd June, and parents must pick up children from the station at 2.00pm on Wednesday 4th June. More details regarding camp are attached to the newsletter today.

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**MEDIA RELEASE**

**FEDERAL BUDGET SUPPORTS NATIONAL SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM**

Tuesday 13 May, 2014

The federal government has confirmed its support of the National School Chaplaincy Program by continuing its funding announced in tonight’s budget.

The funding allows schools to employ a chaplain for up to two days a week as part of their student support strategy. The new program will support 2,900 schools nationally with a $260,000 annual grant to employ a chaplain.

The role of a chaplain is to support federal government educational goals outlined in the 2008 Melbourne Declaration of Education Goals - that students are developed socially, emotionally, morally and spiritually – as well as intellectually and physically.

National School Chaplaincy Association (NSCA) spokesperson says that the program “is important to the Australian people and we are grateful that budget has been extended to see the program continue.”

“We understand that it is a tight budget, so the continuation of funds is confirmation that the government understands the value of the chaplaincy program,” the spokesperson says.

“Thousands of Australian’s have been waiting on this decision because they experience the benefits of the program within their school community and are eager to see it continue.”

Chaplains have existed in Australian schools for generations and the program was formalised in 2007 with the forming of the National School Chaplaincy Program.

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Child, Happy Home:
Creative Discipline Talk by author Lou Harvey-Zahra

Would you like to transform behaviours in a positive manner?

- A very practical and inspiring talk to learn tools to transform behaviours in a positive manner, reduce tears and create more relaxed and connected relationships.
- Eight ‘Creative Discipline’ strategies will be covered including redirection, changing the environment, games and giggles, the word ‘no’ and positive role models.

Date and Time: Wednesday 28th May 7.30pm to 9pm
Venue: Back of Fozigobble Cafe 79 Princes Hwy, Yarragon
Cost: $10.00 Concession $5.00
Bookings: 0427 344294

Supper available for a small cost at Fozigobble Cafe

Lou Harvey-Zahra is a Rudolf Steiner, primary, special needs teacher, playgroup leader, and a popular parenting author.

Lou’s new book Parenting and Creative Discipline® (Frisa Books) will be available on the night ($35) and on all online book sites, or Lou’s inspiring website: www.drishetahy-parenting.com

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

Confronting violence against women

Tuesday 20 May 2014, from 7.00pm to 9.30pm
West Gippsland Arts Centre, Warragul

 Violence against women can happen to anyone, your sister, your daughter, your friend.

 Be a part of a community conversation about men’s violence against women.
 Let’s work together to put a stop to it.

 Guest presenter – Jesse Hooper
 ARIA award winning song writer, performer, mentor and White Ribbon Ambassador.

 After his presentation, Jesse will join a panel of representatives from Victoria Police, Quantum Support Services and Gippsland Women’s Health Service to take questions from the audience about a range of topics surrounding the issue.

 This is a free event - call 5624 2456 to book your seats.

Make lunchboxes fun!
(Alternatives to ‘treats’ in the lunchbox)

Encourage kids to eat their lunch by making it fun:
Cut sandwiches into shapes with cutters or simply allow different coloured bread in a sandwich and sliced into fingers, squares or triangles.
Make pinwheels sandwiches by removing crusts from bread and flattening with a rolling pin. Spread with a filling or use cheese. Roll up like a Swiss roll, wrap in cling film overnight and sliced into wheels.
Pack a nibble mix into a decorated snap-lock plastic bag.
Make healthy muffins, biscuits and slices and wrap in leftover Christmas or birthday paper.
Include non-food “surprises” such as a joke, a sticker, a flower, a small card, a pencil, a photo or a note from Mum or Dad.

If ‘treats’ are packed everyday they become a staple - often children may eat the treat first and not have time or the appetite to eat the more healthy foods.

Courtesy of Health Promotion Officer – Angela Greenall

# NILMA PRIMARY
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