Term 2 has come to a very quick end, just in time as the cooler weather sets in! It has been a very busy term with lots happening. We hope all families have a well-earned break—and have the opportunity as a family to share some time together.

REPORTING TO PARENTS ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT—PARENT TEACHER DISCUSSIONS, STUDENT REPORTS AND LEARNING PORTFOLIOS

Thank you to all the families who have come to have discussions with staff about your child/ren learning achievements and areas for focus for next term. These discussions were well attended and reinforce the shared partnership between school and home.

GOODBYE AND THANK YOU For now....

We would like to say a very big thank you to Ms Buckler who will be finishing up at school today to have a bit of a rest before her new baby arrives. We have been very lucky to have Ms Buckler as our Literacy Coach for the past few years. Have a lovely break!

FOUNDATION STUDENTS INFORMATION EVENING

Last Monday we had our school Information Evening for prospective year Foundation enrolments for 2015. It was a great turn up with 6 new families attending along current families with new enrolments. Thanks to Shakira Kimm for using the creating a presentation on the ipad of the current foundation students and school programs. Well Done! Thanks to the staff and school councillors—Nicki Kimm (School Council President), Natalie Axford and Kelly Chesterfield for attending the evening and being available to talk to our new prospective parents about our school.

PARENT SUPPORT NEEDED

Warragul Swap Meet is the major fundraiser for Nilma Primary School. The Parents Club will be catering at the Warragul Swap Meet at the Warragul Showgrounds on Sunday 29th June for fundraising purposes. On the menu will be Sausages, Hot Dogs, Egg & Bacon Sandwiches, Tea & Coffee, Soft Drinks and Juice.

THANKS TO PARENTS WHO HAVE OFFERED SUPPORT—SEE PAGE 5 FOR THE ROSTER _ WE STILL NEED FEW MORE HELPERS. Ms Sutherland will be asking parents tomorrow for support. If you would like to support please ring either Annette 0407231804 or Nicki Kimm on 0427563009

THANK YOU

This term we have had some fantastic lunches thanks to Kelly Chesterfield—our hot lunch coordinator. Thanks to other parents who supported Kellie this term.

HELP NEEDED

We have a family with a medical situation. Any families who live near Warragul North who may be able to assist with transport of a child to school for some days—first 2 weeks next term please ring Sarah Shippard on 56236358

SCHOOL VALUES' STICKER COMPETITION

Our core values of Respect and Responsibility, Environment, Achievement and Learning will be the basis of development and review of our Student Learning and Well being programs at Nilma. Students had the opportunity to draw a picture to reflect one of the values—students chose 4 pictures to be printed in the centre of our new school sticker awards. Congratulations to Teylah Lott, Jordan Stone, Rose-Ann Scott and Natalya Santo for being successful with your pictures.
R.E.A.L STUDENTS@NILMA

Student of the Week

Recognitions

Homegroup 1/F Red
Anthony Santo
For being a great learner, by working hard during handwriting activities to form your letters correctly and write a sentence. Well done Anthony!

Homegroup 3/2/1/ Green
Zaic Farmer
For putting in a great effort with his writing about his ‘Crazy Animal.’ Well Done!

Homegroup 5/4/3 Blue
Mitch Chesterfield
For always giving 100% in all aspects of school life and demonstrating all the REAL @ Nilma values. You make a great role model Mitch. Well done mate!

Homegroup 6/5 Yellow
Kylie Griggs and Lachlan Axford
For running the Basketball at Winter Sports last week. You worked extremely well coordinating the students, running drills and umpiring a match. Basketball would not have gone ahead without you.

STUDENT LEARNING @ NILMA

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

75 nights
Deklan Majcherzak
Cody Ward

PREMIER READERS CHALLENGE

Congratulations to Daniel Axford for being the first student at Nilma to complete the Challenge. A fantastic effort Daniel!

Happy Birthday

Lachlan Axford
Meg Griggs
Lane Ward
Bethany Axford
**HOMEGROUP HAPPENINGS!**

### Holiday Happiness!

Can you believe it is the end of term 2 already? We have had such a fantastic term in the Red Classroom and I hope all the students and their families have a relaxing and fun holiday break. I am looking forward to term 3 and lots of new learning. All the students writing and reading is progressing each and everyday and its so exciting to see the progress in both year levels.

Here are some highlights from our term;
* Anzac Day
* Tennis Lessons
* Warragul Excursion

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**Japanese Games**

Yesterday we played Japanese games. I liked playing with the spinning top. You could make them go upside down. We had to blow some paper ball across a table and a chair would catch it at the end. By Daniel

My favourite Japanese Game was blowing the ball across the table. It was fun. I liked playing the other Japanese Games. I like my Japanese teacher. She is nice. By Zaic

My favourite Japanese game was when we had to catch a wooden ball on a stick. It was hard to do. I liked playing with the spinning tops.

By Piper

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I was so tired from walking around at Melbourne. At the Urban Camp we went to Eureka Sky Deck, it was awesome. When you looked out the window you could see the Melbourne Star. We also went to Science Works, Immigration Museum, MSAC and the Vic Markets. At Science Works we got to go into the Lightning Room. At the Vic Markets there were a lot of shops and the stuff that people were selling didn’t cost much. I bought some sushi. I found the Immigration Museum a bit boring but some of the stuff that they had was cool. I liked the MSAC it was cool. We got to go swimming, go down a water slide, go in the wave pool and we got to go on a bouncy castle thing. By Holly

On the 2nd of June we went on a train to Melbourne for camp. My favourite place we went to was the Aquatic Centre. My favourite bit was the water slide. I was really scared before I went but I still went down. When I finished I thought it was really fun. By Rose-Ann

When we went to Melbourne camp we stayed at the Urban Camp. My favourite thing at camp was the Eureka Sky Deck. We went to Science Works. My favourite thing at Science Works was the Lightning Room. We went to the Vic Market. At the Vic Market Holly and I got sushi. I had lots of fun at camp. By Kirsty

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**Maths - Measurement**

Students in the yellow home group have combined their measurement, ruling, number, division and drawing skills to create a board game to play with their Buddies.
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**SWAP MEET ROSTER**

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO COME IN AT THESE TIMES PLEASE SPEAK TO NICKI KIMM

Ms Sutherland will be approaching all families if we have shortages on helpers. Not only is this a great opportunity for our school but it's also a great way for parents to meet and to also check out the bargains at the Swap Meet! There are many jobs on the day to be done, from cooking and serving to filling supplies and making hot drinks! No experience is necessary just a smile and a warm jacket!

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**ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES**

We have had a great time this term, students have been learning new Football skills and having fun in Games Galore! Next term the activities will be Circus Skills on Tuesdays with Belinda and Basketball on Thursdays with Jason. We are looking at a week 3 start. Sophie will still continue on as the supervisor. Enjoy the holidays everyone!

Belinda Smythe - AASC Coordinator
Dear Parents,

Attached to the newsletter today is a new consent form for your child/children’s participation in Special Religious Instruction (SRI) will be sent home. This new form is being issued midway through the year because a new Ministerial Direction which governs the way SRI is delivered in schools has been issued, and takes effect on 14 July 2014 (the first day of Term 3).

The requirements of schools and SRI instructors are different under this new Ministerial Direction, and as a result existing parental consent does not extend into Term 3.

This form will be issued again for the beginning of the 2015 school year and, following that, annually and/or each time the school is approached by an SRI instructor seeking to deliver SRI in the school.

Please ensure that you thoroughly read the second page of the consent form, as it contains important information on what SRI is (that is, that it is not education about the religion, but instruction in how to live according to the tenets and beliefs of that religion), and the process through which it is delivered. SRI does not deliver on the AusVELS curriculum – it is an extra-curricular activity delivered by volunteers associated with religious organisations.

Your child will only be eligible to participate in SRI if you tick both acknowledgement boxes, sign, and return the consent form to school by the date specified. If SRI is offered and your child does not participate, they will be engaged in positive, educationally valuable activities while SRI is running.

Please note that even though forms are being issued, SRI sessions may not run in the school. Once consent forms have been received and compiled, I will then assess whether SRI can be offered within available resources.

In addition to reading the information on the consent form, I would encourage you to familiarise yourself with the changes to the way SRI is run, both through the Ministerial Direction (http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/legislation/Pages/sri.aspx) and Department of Education and Early Childhood Development policy (http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/curriculum/pages/religious.aspx).

Regards

Annette Sutherland
Principal

If you have any further questions or concerns please speak to the school.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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