CONGRATULATIONS NILMA

Last Term our year 6 leaders coordinated a ‘Nilma’s got Talent’ fundraiser. As a response to the free dress—students were asked to donate to the ‘Royal Children’s Hospital Foundation’. Last Friday The Smythe family was heading to the hospital, so Patrick and Aiden took our Nilma Primary School cheque directly to hand over. Thanks to all students and families who donated to such a worthy cause. We raised $100 for Charity. Thanks to the year 6 Leaders for coordinating the school event.

CONGRATULATIONS MRS BUCKLER

Lucy Louise was born on Saturday 19th July, 6lbs 14oz. Congratulations to Amanda and Tim and ‘a very proud’ big brother, Thomas. Lucy came into the world bit sooner than expected—however she is settling now and improving every day!

WELCOME TO NILMA

Our new Music program commenced yesterday—Ms Gurvich will be working at Nilma on Wednesdays. Each home group has a session of music. The choir will re-start aswell.

SHOES OFF - TERM 3

Students are to take shoes off in class during Term 3. Children may bring slippers to wear in the classroom.

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION - TEACHING HANDWRITING, READING and SPELLING STRATEGIES (THRASS)

Thanks to the couple of parents who attended the Parent THRASS Information session. If you would like to know more about THRASS please don’t hesitate to talk to the teachers and we can arrange another Parent information session for next term.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Each year we ask parents to complete a survey about the school. Parent Opinion Surveys were attached to last week’s newsletter. The parent opinion survey will provide the school with valuable information in relation to communication, procedures and practices at Nilma PS. Please take time to review questions relating to student learning, home activities and expectations, extracurricular opportunities for students (including things like sporting activities, camps, group days, select groups participating in musical events), transition and social learning. Last year we received 90%. This year we hope for 100%! We would appreciate your feedback to develop a school culture that we all have input into. We value your ideas. The survey is confidential and results are used to further develop the goals of the school.

1. Complete questionnaire
2. Put in envelope provided and seal the envelope
3. Write the name and year level/s of child/ren on back
4. Return to school by Friday 1st August.

THANKS TO THE 14 FAMILIES WHO HAVE RETURNED THE SURVEY TO DATE. LETS SEE IF WE CAN GET THE WHOLE 40 back!
R.E.A.L STUDENTS@NILMA

Student of the Week

Recognitions

Homegroup 1/F Red
Clint Scott
For great listening and determination during our measurement activity, when we were estimating and measuring the length of objects around our room.

Homegroup 3/2/1/ Green
Piper Bundle
For having a positive attitude toward her learning and always being on task.

Homegroup 5/4/3 Blue
Kiandra Polglaze
For making such a huge effort in your reading and your great work with Mrs Salt in REAL Literacy. Brilliant work Kiandra!

Homegroup 6/5 Yellow
Shakira Kimm
For forward thinking and using your initiative across a variety of learning activities and leadership responsibilities.

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

NIGHTLY READING

50 nights
Will McGrath

75 nights
Shila Bundle
Blake Hanmer
Sine Salt

100 nights
Charlotte Brown

125 nights
Oliver Turner

150 Nights
Lachlan Axford

Happy Birthday

Olivia Addison
Ashton Kimm
Ella Perry
Kiara Perry
**Physical Science**

This term as part of our Movement unit we have been looking at different motions such as push and pull, and float and sink and how we move. This week as part of float and sink we did some experiments. The first was to make a floating lily pad that opened up with a frog in the middle. The second was to estimate whether different objects we had acquired from around the school would float or sink. We did this by feeling them, their weight and then making a prediction. Then we dropped them into a tub of water to see. It was great fun to see the students reactions when their estimation of float or sink was correct.

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**Home Group Happenings!**

**On my holiday I went to the farm at Dargo.** We took 2 of my dogs and we went go fishing but my sinker was gone. The next day I got my fishing rod out again but the fish took my hook. The rivers were in flood. We rode the motorbikes around and we went to Black Snake Creek while we were up there. By Mitchell

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**On my holidays I went to the movies up in Melbourne to see "Transformers : Age of Extinction".** It went for 3 hours but the graphics were good and there were different and new Transformers in it. It was good because it actually had a storyline. By Riley.

On the holidays my BFF Elly come over and stayed the night. We had so much fun! We had KFC for dinner. We made a cubby house and played with makeup then I gave her a fake tattoo. It was “Monster High” and Elly liked it. By Kiandra.

On my holiday I went to the snow. I went with some friends. We went up Sinclair’s Tk. We went up to the fire tower but it was too crowded so we kept going to another spot where we went on our toboggans. We also made a snow man. It so cold and fun! By Bailey

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**I couldn't believe what happened at school.** I was playing in the sandpit with Abby and Bridie because it was bring two cousins to school day. But we put to much water in the sandpit and it turned in to quick sand. But instead of drowning we went to DONUT LAND.

We ate donuts all day. We went onto a magical pony made of donuts. It flew us back to school. We told the teacher about donut land. Miss B said, “I did not hear you properly.” I said it again and she gave me detention because she didn’t believe me. By Nataly

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**Natural Disasters!**

**Water Spouts**

A Water Spout is a type of tornado also known as an Intense Columnar Vortex. It starts with a ‘dark patch’ on the sea. A huge pack of cloud forms and the wind picks the water up and starts the waterspout, then it rotates in a spiral pattern. No one really knows what happens in the water under a waterspout. Every water spout is different and some clouds last longer than others. They do not last long. Even though waterspouts are weaker than tornadoes on land, waterspouts can be dangerous to boaters. People have died from waterspouts but not very often. The first waterspout recorded was in Italy in 1456. They occur on every coastline in the world.

By Lachlan Ayford and Andrew Burdett.
MT WORTH GROUP DAY - Excursion—Thursday 7th August
Year Prep to Year 4—Darnum PS Nilma Primary School will be participating in a Group Day on Thursday 7th August. Darnum Primary School is the venue for Years F, 1, 2, 3 & 4. The theme for the day—Sustainability and Science Day—with various guests from ResourceSmart schools and Baw Baw Sustainability groups and fun hands on activities to do! Final program will be sent home soon. As an early warning—Parents are asked to drop students at Darnum Primary, Graham St Darnum, at 9.00am and pick up from Darnum at 3.00pm. Permission forms were sent home with the newsletter last week, and must be brought back by Monday July 28th.

HOOPTIME
The basketball Hooptime competition will be held on Friday 1st August for selected students in Year 3 and 4, and on Friday 29th August for selected students in Year 5 & 6. This competition will be held at the Warragul Leisure Centre and parents are to drop students at the venue at 9.00am and pick up from the venue at 2.30pm. Permission forms must be brought back by July 28th.
Year 4/3 participants are: Kiandra Polglaze, Meg Devlin, Carolyn Dungey, Mitch Chesterfield, Mitchell Gilmore, Ashton Kimm, Kael Mason, Aiden Olsson, Riley Kleeven, Ella Perry, Kiara Perry, Brianna Burnett, Lane Ward, Daniel Axford and Bailey Dent.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP CORNER
Today we had all the grade 6’s work together. We talked about ‘stillness and silence’ and practiced some breathing exercises and relaxation techniques. These skills are useful to help calm down if we feel anxious or angry about something, or if we find it hard to go to sleep. Also it helps to breathe when you have to do something like make a speech or sit for a test.
We also talked about “But Nuts” and “Blame Gamers.” These are people who find excuses and blame others for their mistakes. A real leader will always take responsibility for his or her own mistakes and not make excuses or blame other people.
Our next fundraiser will be Jeans for Genes day, which we will tell you more about next week.
Thankyou,
Grade 6 Leadership team.

ART AWARDS

Homegroup 1/F—Red
Anthony Santo

Homegroup 3/2/1—Green
Sheree Casey Wilson

Homegroup 5/4/3—Blue
Mitch Chesterfield

Homegroup 6/5—Yellow
Lachlan Axford

GARDENING NEWS

Homegroup F/1—Red—How things (dirty marks) come off when you wash them with soap—it gets rid of the germs. We wash our hands so we don’t get sick from germs. By Clint

Homegroup 3/2/1—Green—it was fun when Miss McLennan put paint on Olivia’s hand, and when we put stains on cloth and washed it off with soap. We were learning about germs. By Piper

Homegroup 5/4/3/ - Blue—In gardening we looked at rocks and tested surfaces to see which rock was what. By Kristy & Holly.

Homegroup 6/5—Yellow—Today we are experiencing different rocks—the Tigers eye is asbestos in its natural form—when squashed its very light, so don’t breath it in, it’s not good for you. By Lachlan A
This term we will be doing Circus Skills with Belinda on Tuesdays and Multi Sports (Ball Sports) with Jason on Thursdays. Start dates are Tuesday 29th July and Thursday 24th July, each activity will run for 7 sessions and will be held at Nilma PS.

Circus Skills will be held on Tuesday after school, starting 29th July and will continue on 5/8, 12/8, 19/8, 26/8, 2/9 and 9/9.

Multi Sports (Ball Sports) starts TODAY 24/7 and continues 31/7, 14/8, 21/8, 28/8, 4/9 and 11/9. There will be no session on Thursday 7th August as we have the Cluster Day on that day.

Participants for Circus Skills are; Zavier Allsopp, Meg Devlin, Piper Bundle, Shila Bundle, Rieley Gunton, Beth Axford, Daniel Axford and Jessie McCabe.

Multi Sport participants are; Zavier Allsopp, Rieley Gunton, Jack Moss, Cody Moss, Olivia Addison and Kael Mason, Aiden Smythe

There are still places available in both activities so please fill out and return the form below to join in and have fun! If you haven’t returned a signed consent form or behaviour form could you please collect one from the office and return before starting AASC.

Please remember that students will participate in these sessions in rain or shine, and that it is expected that children are collected at 4.30pm.

Students are expected also to behave according to the AASC guidelines as set at the beginning of the year.

Thanks, Belinda

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NAME___________________________ NAME___________________________

CIRCUS SKILLS MULTI SPORTS

NAME___________________________ NAME___________________________

Please indicate your preference by using 1 and/or 2
Year 5–6 Warragul Regional College

Warragul Regional College is the venue for Year 5 and 6 students. Students from the Mt Worth Cluster—Darnum, Nilma, Ellinbank and Bona Vista along with Yarragon Primary School will be rotating through various activities in smaller mixed groups.

Permission forms were sent home with the newsletter last week and must be brought back to school by 28th July.

Information is attached below for the Mt Worth Group Day at the Regional College.

Students are to be dropped at the Office Area, Burke St entry—Mr Williams and Miss Matarzyk will meet students and walk to the Flexible Learning Centre. Students are to be picked up at the office area at 2.45pm.

20 August 2014

Dear Parent/Guardian

Warragul Regional College will be hosting all year 5 and 6 students from Mt Worth Cluster schools on Thursday 7th August 2014. The aim of this day is to offer students in senior primary at smaller regional schools an opportunity to visit a large high school setting and immerse themselves in some of the many different curriculum programs we have at Warragul Regional College.

Students should arrive at the College (Flexible Learning Centre) between 9:00 am and 9:25 am on the Thursday ready for a 9:30 start. The day will contain three sessions for the mixed-school groups broken up with a provided morning tea and barbeque lunch. The day will conclude at 2:45 pm, and students will be dismissed from the Flexible Learning Centre.

Students should wear school uniform, and should bring with them a pencil case and a drink bottle with water.

If you have any questions, please contact your primary school.

Yours sincerely

JAI LAW
Year Seven Leader
Transition Coordinator

CAMERON NICHOLLS
Assistant Principal
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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUNCH & MOVE

Munch & Move is a fun-filled program promoting healthy growing for overweight children.

Paediatric Physiotherapists & Dietitians are offering an exciting 10 week program at West Gippsland Healthcare Hospital for children aged 3-5 and 6-10 years & there families.

Each session includes:
- Fun physical activities and games
- Answering your questions on healthy eating, portion sizes and practical tips for home
- Preparing and enjoying a healthy snack together

Make a change today—contact us on 56230647
or speak with your local GP about our program

PHOTO BOARD—RED GROUP

The Foundation and Year 1—Red Group, participating in the Perceptual Motor Program (PMP).