This year Nilma Primary school will complete a school review of our School Strategic Plan (2010-2013). The school review happens every 4 years. This will be an exciting time for us. Parents, Students and Staff (School Learning Community) will have the opportunity take part in the review process. Together we will look at many elements of the school— and our school values and beliefs, student programs and learning, student engagement and wellbeing and transition processes. We will reflect on our last 4 years and our school practices and build a Strategic Plan for the next 4 years. Put on your thinking caps as I will be calling on all parties to provide feedback and ideas to build our school to provide the best education for students of the 21st Century. At our next School Council Meeting we will discuss the details, process and timeline—all parents are welcome to attend.

YEAR 6/5 MT WORTH CLUSTER GROUP DAY
The year 6/5 students will be having a Mt Worth Cluster Day at the Warragul Regional College on Friday 2nd August. Students will participate in activities in small groups with students from Darnum, Ellinbank and Bona Vista schools. All students will participate. Year 5 and 6 students will need to be dropped off and picked up from the venue. Attached to the newsletter are permission forms which need to be returned by next Wednesday 31st July. More details will follow on the newsletter next week.

HOOPTIME
The basketball Hooptime will be held tomorrow for year 4/3 and next Friday 26th July for year 6/5. All permission forms must be brought to school tomorrow. Students are to be driven by parents to the Warragul Leisure Centre in Warragul. Students are to be there by 9.00am. Students must be picked up by parents from the Warragul Leisure Centre at 2.30pm. All students will need lunch, snack and a drink for the day.

GYMNASTICS PROGRAM
All students will be participating in a gymnastics program which will begin next Friday 26th July and continue for 8 weeks. The program will be conducted at school by trained instructors—Sarah Shippard and Leanne Rickhuss.

CAMP RUMBUG
The year 4, 5, & 6 students will be participating in the Mt Worth Cluster Camp to be held on Monday 21st October until Wednesday 23rd October 2013. The cost for this camp is $220 per child. Attached to the newsletter last week was a payment plan for families. Permission forms and more information will be available at a later date.

MARC VAN AUTHOR VISITS—GROUP DAY
Nilma Primary School will be attending an Author Day at Buln Buln Primary as part of our Marc Van Program on 4th September—there will be no cost for this group day. More information in the coming weeks.

LATE BOOK
The late book is located at the office. Could parents please fill out the date correctly, not just the name of the day, and make sure you are filling it out on the right line and section.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY
Each year we ask parents to complete a survey about the school. Parent Opinion Surveys will be attached to the newsletter today. 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 envelop provided and seal the envelop
3. Write the name and year level/s of child/ren on back
4. Return to school by Friday 2nd August.
Please take time to complete the survey and support Nilma Primary School to build an exciting and stimulating school.
R.E.A.L STUDENTS @ NILMA

Student of the Week Recognitions

Homegroup 1 / Prep

Matilda Dent
You have been working so hard to challenge yourself in class and you are becoming such a great helper. Well done!!

Homegroup 3/2

Mitchell Gilmore
You have been really focused about researching some fantastic facts about your dingo and have worked really hard to type up this information. Well done on your great work Mitchell!

Homegroup 4

Kirsty Wooster
for making such a great effort in your Reader’s Theatre presentation and being prepared to try your hardest in all areas of your learning.

Homegroup 6/5

Lachlan Crook
For putting a fantastic effort into his work, being a great learner and producing some awesome work.

R.E.A.L STUDENTS @ NILMA

L.A.U.G.H NIGHTLY READING Recognition Certificates

75 Nights
Jade Mammolito
Shelby McGrath

100 nights
Zavier Allsopp
Andrew Burdett
Angus Mulconry

125 nights
Daniel Axford
Meg Devlin

Happy Birthday

Ashton Kimm
Ella Perry
Kiara Perry
HOMEGROUP HAPPENINGS!

On the holidays I went to the Melbourne Chinese Museum. I saw Chinese people and I had lunch there. I had a sandwich. By Matilda

On the holidays I made paper lanterns. I went to the farm and saw two cows. By Olivia

On the holidays I went to Pambula and I saw a kangaroo. By Ty

On the holidays I went to the snow. When we got there Mark made a big snowball and threw it at my Mum. By Ashley

On the holidays I went to the aquarium in Melbourne. I saw a shark. By Zaic

Project Perfection!
This week we have continued to steam ahead with our Australian Animal Project. The students have been researching animal facts and some have started to prep their shoe boxes for their 3D diorama models. This week we each made a clay model of our animal and are waiting for them to harden up so we can paint them! Exciting things ahead!

Hoop Time Competition
I thought I wouldn’t be nervous but I was very nervous. I was shaking the whole time and I’m still shaking! My team was called the Nilma Magics. The first team my team played was the Neerim South Stingrays, the points were 0 against 12. The second team my team played were the Yarragon Grizzlies, the points were 0 against 10. The last team my team played was the Columba Comets and the scores were 18 against 0. I bought a Redskin but then I put it down and someone grabbed it. Then I found a dollar in my bag so I bought another Redskin. I bought a bottle of water but it costed $2.50…. I thought that was a rip off. Then when I was going home with my dad we went to the park because I wanted to see what the yellow thing was in the park. Then I went on a chuck bucket with a little girl but I got a chance to go on the chuck bucket by myself. On Monday the 22nd I got a piece of shiny paper that said that I could get a free chicken Snack Wrap for free and a sticker and a certificate that said that I did Hoop Time. I will use the shiny piece of paper that said I could get a free chicken Snack Wrap on the 24/07/2013. By Sine Salt.

Hooptime—Grade 5/6 : 26/7/13
I am feeling nervous about tomorrow for hooptime. I can’t practise today because I left my basketball on the bus. I am in the All Stars team. I think we should do pretty good tomorrow. By Jack

Tomorrow the Grade 5/6 are going to Warragul to play Hooptime. I hope we win. I am in Nilma PS All Stars. We are play against St Pauls first. I am feeling excited about the day. Last year we won 2 games and lost 1. I hope we win all our games this year. I wish everyone good luck. By Savanna.

Tomorrow we are going to hooptime at the Warragul Leisure Centre. Everyone in our class is excited about it. Good luck for the Rookies. I am in the All Star Boys Team. I think we have a 75 percent chance of winning and going to the next round in Dandenong. By Jack M
Hey it's us grade sixes here for your weekly leaders corner update! Nilma has been full of learning during the last three weeks of term. Well done to Nashaya Williams and Lane Ward for achieving a milestone in reading eggs. In sport 4/3’s did an excellent job at hooptime last week. Well done to the Future Stars for achieving 3rd place, and well done to those in the rookie league we are looking forward to another great hooptime next year.

Good luck to the 6/5’s tomorrow as they compete. Keep warm this week, a maximum of 16 degrees, keep the jumpers coming! Thanks for a great week Nilma!

Savanna, McKayla, Ryan, Jack H Jai, Jasmin and Cooper

STUDENT AWARDS

Mathletics Awards

- Zavier Allsopp—1/P
- Annwn Williams—4
- Jordan Stone—6/5
- Savanna Maunder—6/5
- Harrison Perry—6/5
- Aland Smith—6/5
- Jack Hall—6/5
- Lachlan Crook—6/5

Study Ladder Awards

- Olivia Addison—1/P
- Sheree Casey-Wilson—1/P
SCHOOL BANKING

The School Banking Program will be held every Friday during Term 3. Deposit slips must be completely filled out when brought in for banking otherwise they will not be able to be processed.

GARDENING/SCIENCE PROGRAM

Joel and Mitch have been putting the fox proof wire in the ground for the chook house and we also dug the bark and raked it over the mud path so no one slips. By Mitch and Joel.

Brianna and Nashaya did some watering of plants and mulching and then we planted some peas in the vegie garden. By Brianna and Nashaya.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

Games Galore will run on Tuesdays: 23/7, 30/7, 6/8, 13/8, 19/8, 26/8 and 2/9.
Participants are; Ashley Griggs, Aiden Smythe, Aiden Olsson, Megan Griggs, Kylie Griggs, Patrick Smythe, Zaic Farmer, Jade Mammolito, Ty Ward, Lane Ward, Dominick Johnstone—Witney, Bailey Dent, Joel Walsh, Mitchell Gilmore, Riley Kleeven, Bailey Stephens, Blake Witney, Kael Mason, Zavier Allsopp, Cooper Allsopp, Anthony Scott. This session is Full.

Dance will run on Thursdays: 25/7, 1/8, 8/8, 15/8, 21/8, 28/8 and 4/9.
Participants are; Olivia Addison, Sheree Casey-Wilson, Emma Crook, Meg Devlin, Sine Salt, Mckayla Lindsay, Chloe Behncke, Holly Behncke, Matilda Dent, Tahlia Witney, Rose-Ann Scott, Bayley Gunton, Rieley Gunton, Aaron Cooper, Megan Griggs, Jade Mammolito

There are still 3 places left for Dance if anyone else would like to join in. Please remember that students must commit for the full 7 weeks of the program.

Term 3 is a ‘winter’ term so please remember to bring a jacket if you wish as the sessions will still go ahead despite the wet weather!

BOOKCLUB ORDERS

Attached to the newsletter are Bookclub Orders. All orders with payment must be returned to the office by next Thursday 1st August. Late orders cannot be accepted.

LIBRARY

It is fantastic to have so many great books available for students to borrow. Many new books have been added to the shelves recently. It is unfortunate however that some of these books have already been damaged due to possible drink bottle leakage. Please ensure that books are placed in the school satchel and carried separately from the school bag to avoid this.
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