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STAFFING

Welcome to our new staff member Mr Richard Browne. Richard will be working at Nilma PS every Thursday and Friday and will be maintaining our school grounds and buildings.

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CHILDREN’S BOOK WEEK

“Book Character’s Hat Day”

Tomorrow—FRIDAY 22nd August

Come to school wearing a hat of a book character.

“Hat parade” on the Green

at 9.00am.

Students can wear the hat they have created in Art, or a special hat from home!

Parents are invited and welcome to view the parade …… and wear a hat yourself!

SUNSMART

SCHOOL HATS

CAN BE WORN from 8th September
**R.E.A.L STUDENTS@NILMA**

**Student of the Week**

**Recognitions**

**Homegroup 1/F Red**

Oliver Turner

You have shown such enthusiasm for your reading! It has been wonderful to hear you reading new texts with great expression and making them sound really interesting. Well done Oliver!

**Homegroup 3/2/1/ Green**

Aiden Olsson

You have made a great effort in all areas of your learning. You are always willing to challenge yourself to do your best and “have a go”. You are a great role model for the homegroup.

**Homegroup 5/4/3 Blue**

Bailey Dent

for your enthusiasm and positive approach to your learning and willingness to always “have a go”. Well done Mate!

**Homegroup 6/5 Yellow**

Andrew Burdett

For striving to achieve your best in all learning areas. You demonstrate what it means to be a REAL student. Well done Andrew!

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**L.A.U.G.H Program**

Learning Activities Under Guidance of Home

**NIGHTLY READING**

- 50 nights
  - Shelby McGrath
- 75 nights
  - Zavier Allsopp
- 100 nights
  - Rieley Gunton
- 125 nights
  - Meg Griggs, Holly Farnham, Charlotte Brown, Daniel Axford
- 200 Nights
  - Kylie Griggs

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**Happy Birthday**

No Birthdays this week!
**HOMEGROUP HAPPENINGS!**

**Butterfly Life Cycle**
In writing groups we have been looking at explanation texts. So far we have made and talked about how a wind fan works and now we are finishing off our butterfly life cycle. We are writing about how a caterpillar turns into a butterfly. Here is what we have learnt.

Butterfly Life Cycle
1. A butterfly lays an egg.
2. A caterpillar hatches.
3. It goes into a pupa.
4. A butterfly comes out of the cocoon.

On the 18th August we went to the Arts Centre to do a workshop with Circus Oz. My favourite part was when we had to balance on people and do tricks. It was really fun.

By Charlotte Brown

Guess what? The school got the opportunity to go to the Arts Centre and learn some circus skills. With the juggling I had no idea how to do it.

by Shelby McGrath

Guess what? Some students at Nilma went to Circus OZ. We did lots of stuff and we went in to groups we did juggling acrobatics and everything. My favourite was the acrobatics, it was so much fun.

By Astrid Smith

We went to Circus Oz on Monday and we learnt a lot about what they did in the show. Then we learnt some moves from the show.

By Tahlia Witney.

On Thursday the 7th of August we went to Warragul Regional College. First we went to the Flexible Learning Area to find out about all of the teachers in Year 7. Then we got told what we were doing for the day. We did the Amazing Race. It was a race where groups of people had to do certain questions and we made funny hats. When we came back in from Recess we did four classes. Once we did the first two we went for lunch (a BBQ) and then went back into the classes again. We met the principal Mr Juratowitch, then we got dismissed.

By Lachlan Crook.

If I could change a school rule, I would want let students bring electronics to school because you would never get bored. If you were allowed to being electronics to school I would play Candy Crush because it is fun.

By Sheree

If I could change a school rule, I would let students bring their pets to school. I would being my guinea pig to school.

By Zaic
SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

HOOPTIME – YEAR 5 and 6
This competition will be held at the Warragul Leisure Centre next Friday, 29th August. and parents are to drop students at the venue at 9.00am and pick up from the venue at 2.30pm.


CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Some new forms were sent home to some families who have chosen NOT to participate in CRE. Thanks to all the families who have returned to form—it is necessary for the school to be able to update information on our school system. All changes to the CASES21 System have to have a written and signed letter from parent or guardian. Thanks for your understanding. If you have not returned the form—please do so as soon as possible.

YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAY
Warragul Regional College are having a ‘Transition Day’ on Tuesday2nd September for ALL year 6 students, irrespective of whether or not the students are attending WRC in 2015. The activities and experiences will be similar to any secondary school setting. Attached to the newsletter are permission forms for ALL year 6 students. The day will commence at 9.00am and pick up at 3.00pm. More information to come.

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE
Congratulations to the following students in grade 3,4,5&6 who have successfully completed the Reading Challenge for this year; Lane Ward, Sine Salt, Ella Perry, Kirsty Wooster, Holly Farnham, Charlotte Brown, Michael Farnham, Shelley Brown, Shakira Kimm. These students have read 15 texts independently to achieve their goal. Grade F/1 students have all finished the challenge sharing 30 books in their grade and 3/2/1 Green are currently reading and experiencing their 30 books as part of their class literacy program. Our target is to have all students complete the Premier’s Reading Challenge this year. The Reading Challenge finishes on 12th September. We have attached a Consent form to be signed by parents who have not already sent one back the school. This allows your child to receive a Certificate of Achievement signed by the Premier and have their name published on the Premier’s Honour Roll. Could you please complete this and return it to the school promptly so we can complete registration for each student. Thanks for supporting your child’s reading.
STUDENT LEADERSHIP

FOOTY COLOURS DAY
The Year six student leaders are co-ordinating a Footy Colours Day on Friday 5th September. Students are asked to wear Footy Colours, and a sausage sizzle lunch will be provided. The price for a sausage is $1.50 and a hamburger is $1.50. Juice boxes are available for $1.00. For catering purposes, please fill out the form below with correct payment, and return to the classroom teacher by Thursday 28th August. Late orders cannot be accepted.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY/BBQ LUNCH
Forms to be returned by Thursday 28th August.
Please circle preferences.

Name of student:__________________________________________________________
Sausage OR Hamburger @ $1.50 each   Juice Box Drink @ $1.00 each

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Amount enclosed: _________________________________________________________

NEWSLETTER

Nilma PS is looking at they way we deliver the Newsletter to families. With the presence of technology now being an influence on the way people receive and view information. Nilma are looking at integrating electronic delivery of the newsletter into our schools communication processes. Could families please indicate on the form below if they would like to receive their newsletter by email or by hard copy every Thursday.

NEWSLETTER DELIVERY

Family Name:__________________________________________________________
We would like to receive our newsletter by  email  or  hardcopy  Please circle

Email address:__________________________________________________________
Signed by parent:_____________________________________________________
Date:__________________________________________________________
GARDENING/SCIENCE

STICKER ACHIEVEMENT—Year F/1

We used shovels and rakes and forks.
  We collected the soil.
  We put it in the little tubs.
We had to pull and push the sieve to each other.
  It makes soft soil.
  We put soft soil in our pots.
We pushed our finger down to our 2nd knuckle.
  We planted snow peas.
  We watered it.
Lilly’s Grandma Sue helped us.

PARENT CLUB

Parent Club Fundraiser—Weekend Horse Ride

The Parent Club would like expressions of interest for a weekend horse ride fundraiser.
The dates would be November 29th, 30th and Dec 1st. The price would be $350 per person (normally $599), and is inclusive of all meals and non-alcoholic drinks. The meals would include dinner Friday night, breakfast lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast and lunch on Sunday. Riders do not need to be experienced. They have a wide range of horses available from advanced riders to total beginners. All gear is provided, you just need comfy clothing and sturdy shoes (boots preferred). Fantastic weekend!
If anyone has any questions, please call Nicki on 0427 563 009.

Please fill out the form below and return to school by Friday 8th August.

Expression of Interest—Weekend Horse Ride

Name of family: __________________________________________________________
How many participants: __________________________________________________
Signed by parent: _________________________________________________________
Date: _______________________________
The Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program is set to begin at Nilma PS on Thursday 14th August. Mrs Hodge and Ms McLennan have recently participated in a two day training course and are organising a Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program committee to meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month, beginning on Thursday August 14th at 3.30pm. The program will be run with Mr Williams class. Other classes will benefit with part of the program.

We also need donations for our kitchen. Which are:

Stainless steel stock pot 15 Litre (1)  Large round baking trays (2)  Stainless steel pasta pot, 10 litres (1)
Square cake tins (2)  Stainless steel steamer insert for 10 litre pot (1)  Non stick muffin trays (2)
Heavy based frying pans, 24 cm (1)  Stainless steel wire rack (2)  Stainless steel saucepan 4 litre (1)
Fluted tart tin, loose bottom, 22-24cm (1)  Stainless steel saucepan 2 litres (1)  Rectangular gratin dish 1.5 litre (2)
Pressed steel wok for electric hotplate (1)  Casserole dish with lid 1.5 litre (1)  Bamboo steamer and lid
Salad spinner (1)  Pasta machine  Donated by the Perry Family & Bundle family
Small containers with lids  Mortar and pestle, large  Donated by the Turner Family
Rolling pin  Sugar dredger, fine holed (1)  Pepper mills (4)
Donated by Santo and Majcherzak families  Flexible lifters for non-stick pans (2)  Donated by Addison family
Wok sang (1)  Stainless slotted spoon (2)  Nylon scrapers (4)
Metric measuring cups (2 sets)  Metric measuring jugs, to one litre (4)  Ladle 150ml
Donated by Santo family  Pasta machine  Donated by Santo family x 1
Food processor (1)  Candy thermometer (1)  Plates, cups, knives, forks
Donated by the Majcherzak family  Donated by Santo family  Donated by Santo family
Tea towels  Small aprons (10)  SAKG will begin on August 14th and we need volunteers to support groups of 4-5 students in the kitchen and in the garden. The program emphasises flavours and benefits of fresh seasonal food. We will grow, harvest and prepare the food and sit together to taste and share what we have made. Attached is a volunteer roster. We need 3 volunteers to support Mrs Hodge and Ms McLennan for every class. Please fill out the form below and return it by next Wednesday 6th August. All volunteers must have a working with children check.

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TOUR OF GIPPSLAND

Cycling Australia is pleased to advise that the prestigious cycling race, the Lakes Oil Tour of Gippsland will again be passing through your region.

The tour provides a wonderful opportunity for students to engage with the elite cyclists representing their teams from all over Australia cheering and encouraging them as they race by.

There is a colouring picture drawn for us by Mark Knight, leading Herald Sun Cartoonist for the students to colour in, in their favourite team colours.

For schools who are able to attend the race we would love the students to bring their pictures down and have the team riders autograph the picture for them.

This year Lakes Oil will be donating $500 to the school with the best poster, winners from each stage will go through to the final stage September 7th in Traralgon where the winner will be announced on stage.

Should you wish to arrange a team to visit or for any further information please contact Karin Jones at Cycling Australia on 03 95333164 or Karin.jones@cycling.org.au
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