EXCURSION—Reminder
A reminder to parents that children will be leaving the Warragul station on the 8.56 am train and returning to the Warragul station at 7.30 pm. Students must be at the station by 8.30 am. Permission forms must be brought back to school by tomorrow, Friday 24th August.

Thank you to Ms Berkelmans for organising entries to the competition and coordinating the excursion. Ms Berkelmans, Mr Williams, Barb Vagg, Belinda Smythe, Kelly Chesterfield, Nicki Kimm and Warren Lawry will attend.

Information was sent home to all parents last week with permission forms. Children must bring lunch, snacks and drinks for the day in a backpack. Students will be provided with a light evening snack before the train trip home.

BOOK WEEK
Tomorrow, Friday 24th students can come to school dressed as a “Champion” and we will be having a parade at 9:00 am on the “Green”. Students will then be sharing their favourite books with other grades.

BOOKWEEK CELEBRATION
Parents are also invited to come along at 9.00 am to view the parade and share a favourite book with their child’s grade.

WELCOME BACK CAMPERS!!
Welcome back grade 5 & 6 campers, Ryan, Justin, Olivia and Brytnie. We hope you all had a fantastic time at Somers Camp and can’t wait to hear all your fun stories!

THRASS PARENT INFORMATION SESSION
Thankyou to parents, Natalie Axford, Kim Polglaze and Sarah Shippard and staff who attended the THRASS Training Course on Tuesday afternoon. This course is to support parents to understand the program and ways to help their children at home. We understand that there were some parents who could not attend this session so we will be running a follow up session either at the end of this term or the start of next term. If parents would like to purchase a copy of the THRASS chart at home, it is $5.00.

UNIFORMS
There are new samples of the new uniform in assorted sizes available to view in the office. A final decision will be made at the next school council meeting in September and orders will be placed at the start of term 4. More information will follow after the meeting.

COLES /WOOLWORTHS SPORTS VOUCHERS
A reminder that all Coles and Woolworths dockets are due back at the school by tomorrow, Friday 24th August. These dockets will help provide free sports equipment and books for the school.
R.E.A.L STUDENTS @ NILMA

Student of the Week

Recognitions
Homegroup 1 / Prep
Ashley Griggs
for thinking of others and waiting for her turn in Japanese
Homegroup 3/2
Olivia Maunder
For always approaching her learning with a positive attitude!
Homegroup 4/3
Lachlan Axford
Angus Mulconry
Max Chesterfield
For making a great effort at settling into grade 4/3W
Homegroup 6/5
Rachael Lawry
For putting a great effort into her work and being a fantastic learner.

STUDENT LEARNING @ NILMA

R.E.A.L STUDENTS @ NILMA
NIGHTLY READING
Recognition certificates
75 nights
Zaic Farmer
100 nights
Teagan George
Kael Mason
Matilda Dent
150 nights
Daniel Axford
Meg Devlin
175 nights
Dom Johnstone-Witney

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS and
SAFEWAY EARN AND LEARN

To date we have;
16,000 Coles Dockets and
13,000 Safeway Stickers.

Congratulations
Students who have completed the Premier Reading Challenge
Bayley Gunton
Dominick Johnstone-Witney
Max Chesterfield
Lachlan Crook
Jordan Stone
Holly Farnham
Kirsty Wooster
We read the BOOK WEEK book “Come D Cat”. I like it. By Emma

We made poo in Science. By Sheree

We are learning the names of fruit in Japanese. By Holly

On Friday it is Book Week. We can dress up as a champion. I am going to dress up as an Olympian. By Meg

We sang lots of songs in Music, played a game and watched a DVD of people singing. By Zavier

I really like doing gymnastics because there is a cool green tunnel and a balancing beam.

Free dress day was really fun. We have picked a new reward for our class.

In Maths, we learnt a really fun game called strike.

I bought my Dad’s x-rays to school and showed all of my class. In Science, I touched a cow’s tongue and a cows stomach.

In Japanese, we learnt a new song; heads and shoulders, knees and toes.

In class we have been learning about how to write a procedural text. We had to write about how to make vegemite on toast and now we are writing a procedural text about how to make a Pom Pom.

Yesterday I had my first flute lesson with Mr. Cotteral. I am using my sister’s flute. Mum said that if I practise really hard, I might be able to get my own flute. By Sine Salt

Trip to the Footy Grounds

Next week the 4,5,6 students are going to the Westpac centre to train with Collingwood players at Collingwood’s home training centre. We are going to the Shrine, Botanical Gardens, MCG Museum and we are going to have some tea in Federation Square. We are going to get on a train at 8:56 at Warragul and will be getting home at 7:30 pm. I am so psyched because this is going to be so epic. By Alan Smith.

Next week the grade 4,5, and 6s are going to train with Collingwood Football Club at the Westpac Centre (which is Collingwood’s training ground). We are also going to the National Sports Museum at the M.C.G. I have been to the M.C.G. lots of times but never to the museum so it will be a first for me! We are also going to visit the Botanical Gardens to have a look and the Shrine of Remembrance. Because the train leaves the city at 5:49 we are going to have a light snack at Federation Square. Then we get on the train and arrive back where we started at the Warragul train station.

Burke and Wills

In 1860–61, Robert Hara Burke and William John Wills led an expedition of 19 men with the intention of crossing Australia from Melbourne in the south to the Gulf of Carpentaria in the north, a distance of around 3,250 kilometres. At that time most of the inland of Australia had not been explored by un-native people and was completely unknown to the European settlers. The money/funding was given by the exploration committee they gave them approximately 1890 pounds or common $2800 that is a lot of money!

Burke, Wills and 19 others set off from Royal Park in Melbourne on 21st of August 1860. When they left (unusual for this time of year) the weather was dry, hot, dusty and very muggy.

They took a 2 year supply of food, 80 pairs of shoes, buckets, beds & Hats as well as 9kg of firewood. They reached Menindee after 8 weeks originally their plan was to wait at Coopers Creek for the other 8 people, they waited there for 6 weeks before deciding to continue on. After they left Coopers Creek they were running low on supplies with only 1kg of firewood left, 9 pairs of shoes, etc. By the time they reached Stuarts Desert 213km into it Burke grew sick, weak and died.

Although their mission failed, they were truly brave men. By Savanna
**Active After School Communities**

There will be no AASC next Tuesday 28th August due to the excursion. We will make up the session on the 18th September.

Remaining dates for the Program are:

**Tuesday nights: Basketball**
4th, 11th and 18th September

**Thursday nights: Stick Sports**
23rd, 30th August and 6th and 13th September

Students have been having fun learning new skills and having a go! The program has been running great this term and our new sign out book has been successful, thank you to parents for doing this, Please remember to wear appropriate footwear to the sessions and that students must participate for the full hour to be able to get the most out of AASC. I think we may have some budding Basketball & Hockey stars in the making!

**FOOTY COLOURS DAY**

Footy Colours day is to raise money to fight cancer and save lives. Footy Colours Day will be held on Friday 7th September. Students can wear their favourite football team’s colours - AFL, NRL, Rugby Union, Soccer - to help raise money for children living with cancer. Wear your football team’s colours, Guernsey, scarf, beanie and make a gold coin donation to the Fight Cancer Foundation.

**BOOKCLUB**

Bookclub orders were sent home last week with the newsletter. All orders and money must be back at the school by next Thursday 26th August.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**

The next School Council meeting will be held at 2.00pm on Tuesday 11th September at the school.

**Parent Club Notes**

**Hot Lunches:** Tomorrow, Friday 24th August, is Hot Lunch Day. No late orders will be accepted.

**Parent Club Meeting:** Meeting will be held in the Staffroom on Monday 27th August at 9am. We will be having a run down from the Swap Meet and Pie Drive fundraisers and also discuss fundraisers for terms 3 and 4.

**Shopping Warehouse Tour:** The date for the Shopping Trip is Saturday October 20th. The cost for this day will be $50 which will include bus travel and lunch. Names with payment are due by Friday 17th September.
Thank you to the Baw Baw Shire for donating the load of mulch to be used around the school.

Our school gardening group are still after newspapers, if you have any that you could give to the school could you please drop them into the office, Thank you.

We are also after some parent helpers that would be available to cut up the loose trees and branches and remove them please. Please contact the school if you are able to help out.

JUNIOR TENNIS—LILlico TENNIS CLUB
The tennis season is about to start and the Lillico Tennis Club is looking for junior members. (17 and Under).
What’s involved?
Training with a coach one night a week and matches on Saturday morning. Juniors start at 8.00 am and Senior Juniors start at 9.30 am.

Players are graded on age group and ability, and despite Lillico being a small club, it has teams in most sections catering for beginners through to advanced players.

Come and join us for registration on Wednesday the 5th of September from 4.30pm to 5.30pm at the Lillico Tennis Club Lillico Road, Lillico. If you are unable to make the 5th but are interested in joining the club please ring the President Gavin Hammond before this date on 56 231 503.

Whole School Literacy—Writing Sessions

How’s this for some SIZZLING Starts…

“Yuck! Mum that bread is mouldy and why do we have to feed the ducks now?” asked Marco.
“Yes it would be a good experience for Jack” replied Mum.
“Duckie, duckie” said baby Jack.
“Well this sucks “ Marco. By Harrison

In 1939, five soldiers from the Australian army found a big battleship, in a hidden underground cave that led to the sea. They climbed aboard. As soon as they got on the ship they saw a skeleton holding a treasure chest. By Jordan

“Wow! Look at the sunset, it’s beautiful. What is that?” “Is it a plane? No a bird?” asks Abby.
“No a ship” says Kate.
“What a ship?” said Abby “you’re crazy”.
“No, look a ship” said Kate. By Tahlia

“Crock, crock”, rushing through the bush.
I was sitting by a very hot fire carving a person from wood when suddenly...By Lachlan A

Leaves were falling gracefully from the oak trees.
The river was rushing past the trees. The animals were drinking from the lake and the fish and frogs were swimming around the pond. By Rachael

I was holding on so tight, my hands were sweating like anything. Everyone was staring at me. Why did my friends dare me to do this? My heart was pounding like wild fire. I tried to pull myself up...but I couldn’t. By Savannah

“Yah, this day is going to be great!” said Tilly.
Mia and Hillary said “What is going to be great?”
“Don’t you know where we are going? Then I will leave it a surprise.” By Mckayla
# School Calendar

## Dates 2012

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| 17           | 18            | **Music Lessons 19** | 20           | **Last Day term** | 21 | 23  |
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