SCIENCE PRESENTATION EVENING
Only 15 school days to go before our Science Presentation evening. We are hoping families are marking this date on their calendar so we get to see either all or some of your family along on the night. We are busily working hard on animal projects.

BOOKWEEK
Don’t forget that it is dress up day for bookweek tomorrow if you wish. We will parade in the morning at 9.15am (before the kids get too scruffy!) then after lunch the older children will read some books from the shortlisted books. Parents are more than welcome to attend either timeslot.

BASKETBALL HOOPTIME
Congratulations to our Year 5 & 6 students who participated in the Hooptime Basketball Competition last Thursday. Participants were: Daniel Axford, Mitch Chesterfield, Bailey-Jack Christoph, Bailey Dent, Mitchell Gilmore, Ashton Kimm, Riley Kleeven, Aiden Olsson, Ella Perry, Kiara Perry, Emma Crook & Piper Bundle.

THANK YOU TO OUR ES STAFF
We had a morning tea yesterday to recognise and thank our Education Support staff for all they contribute to our school community. We are so very fortunate to have a fantastic team who are willing to support the Education of Nilma Primary School students. Thanks to: Rachel Hammond, Belinda Smythe, Sharon Faulds, Leanne Hodge, Barb Vagg, Sharon Salt, Bruce Robins, & Anne Prime for your dedication and contributions to Nilma Primary School.

MT WORTH CLUSTER CAMP
The Mt Worth Cluster Camp will be held on Thursday 13th & Friday 14th October 2016. The cost for this camp is $118. This payment can be made by cash, cheque or direct debit. All deposits are due by TOMORROW, with the remaining balance to be paid by the end of this term. More information, regarding permission forms and medical forms will be sent out next week.

FUNDRAISING
The Fathers Day/ Special Persons Stall will be held next Friday 2nd September. All gifts are $5.00. Students may purchase as many gifts as required. All forms with payment are due back at the office by TOMORROW, Friday 26th August. More forms are available from the office if needed.

WARRAGUL REGIONAL TRANSITION DAY
Students attending Warragul Regional College in 2017 will be participating in a Transition Day on Wednesday 7th September. Permission forms were attached to the newsletter last week and must be brought back to school by Monday 29th August.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
The Next School Council Meeting will be held on Monday 29th August at 6.30pm at the school.

STUDENT DIARIES FOR 2017
Our 2017 student diaries have been ordered. A special thank you to our 2017 diary sponsors. They are: Andrew Black, Warragul Forest & Garden, In Season Hunting & Fishing, Office Choice, Not Just Steam Cleaning & Curves & Kisses. Thank you!

THANK YOU TO OUR DIARY SPONSORS
**R.E.A.L STUDENTS@NILMA**

**Learner of the Week**

**Recognitions**

**Homegroup 1/F Red**

Mia Wood

For showing such a positive attitude to all aspects of your learning and always considering and respecting your fellow students.

**Homegroup 2/1 Green**

Nick Addison

For your ‘ready for learning’ attitude this week. You have demonstrated organisation and ‘on task’ behaviours. Keep it up Nick!

**Homegroup 4/3 Blue**

Aiden Smythe

For the respectful and caring attitude you show to your fellow students. Your positive, co-operative approach to your learning sets a fine example for the grade. Thanks Aiden, a REAL student. Well done mate!

**Homegroup 6/5/4 Yellow**

Mitchell Gilmore

For striving towards being responsible and organised for your learning at school and at home. You are proving how focused you are to achieve success in your goal. Keep it up!

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

*Learning Activities Under Guidance of Home*

**NIGHTLY READING**

- **25 Nights**
  - Aiden Olson
  - Mitchell Gilmore
  - Zach Farmer

- **50 Nights**
  - Ashton Kim

- **75 Nights**
  - Teagan George
  - Riley Kleven
  - Emma Crook
  - Piper Bundle

- **100 Nights**
  - Harrison Jones
  - Ella Perry
  - Kiera Perry

- **125 Nights**
  - Taleah Hammond
  - Ashley Cooke
  - Daniel Axford
  - Kiandra Pulplace

- **150 Nights**
  - Jessie McCabe

- **175 Nights**
  - Cohen Cogo

- **200 Nights**
  - Ashley Griggs
  - Jasmine Cane

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**PLAYGROUND AWARDS**

**Winners**

- Olivia Addison
- Piper Bundle
- Alex Chesterfield
- Kurtis Giblin

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**Happy Birthday**

Mr Williams
**HOMEGROUP HAPPENINGS!**

**Emotive Writing**

I felt excited when I went for a drive in the Blackwood’s truck. By Nick

I feel happy when I make delicious types of food and when I also smell yummy food! By Levi

When I build a cubby I feel happy and I feel joyful. By Harry

I feel happy when I am at school when I am on the laptops. By Paige

Wow! When I woke up I realised it was my birthday. When my mum got to open my presents I was so excited. I was going to go to the cinemas. It was so good because we watched Inside Out. By Claire

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**Animal Project**

**Bilby**
A billy has whiskers. It has a tail. By Dylan

**Kangaroo**
Mummy kangaroos have babies and they have a pouch. They are cute. They have large ears. By Mia

**Possums**
Possums have fur. It has claws. By Kaleb

**Lizards**
It has a tail. A lizard has scales. It has four legs. It has a tail. By Jai M

**Kookaburra**
It has two wings and a beak. By Maegan

**Koala**
A koala has fur. It has claws to climb trees. By Blake S

**Sharks**
Sharks have sharp teeth. By Alex

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**Emotive Writing**

Students have been learning about using literary devices (alliteration, hyperbole, onomatopoeia and similes) to make their writing more detailed and entertaining. Here is an example of an emotive piece about anger:

Aargh! My masterpiece! That took me a whole month to build this giant remote control Lego front-end loader, and my brother just destroyed it! I can’t believe it, all that hard work. I feel like I’m going to hit him as hard as Hulk. He looks at me like I’m as hot as magma in a volcano, about to explode and destroy the Earth. I could feel my fists getting tighter and tighter…

By Aiden Olsson

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**Bottlenose Dolphin**

By Nataly Santo

**Appearance**
Bottlenose dolphins grow to an average length of 3 to 4.2 metres long. They have a truncated beak. Bottlenose dolphins have a shorter nose than other dolphins that is why they are called the **BOTTLENOSE** dolphin.

**Habitat**
Bottlenose dolphins live in warm tropical waters mainly in shallow waters. Bottlenose dolphins live all around most of the world but they are still a **Australian** animal.

**Diet**
They will eat fish, squid and even crustaceans. An adult Bottlenose Dolphin can eat up to 15 to 30 pounds of food every day, and the younger dolphins feed of their mother’s milk.

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**The Emu**

By Piper Bundle

**What the emu looks like:** The emu has two sets of eyelids, one for blinking and one to keep out the dust. Their feet are long, with three toes. One toe on each foot has a long talon, for fighting. Emu feathers are soft and light-brown with dark tips. Each feather has a double shaft.

**How big it is:** Emus can grow to between 5 to 6.5 feet in height and weight up to 130 pounds. Males are slightly smaller than females.

**What it sounds like:** Males make a loud grunting sound like a pig and females make a loud booming sound.

**Habitat:** The emu is the second largest bird in the world and emus are only found and born in **Australia**. They live in less-populated areas. Emus are native to Australia and are found across most of the country as they are able to survive in most habitats except for tropical rainforest and very dry desert conditions.

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By Aiden Olsson
CHAPLAINS’ CHAT

Under the topic of Kids Matter we are offering some small group opportunities for children who have been negatively affected by life’s circumstances. The program is called ‘Rainbows’ and is for middle primary school years, in groups of three or four. If you have a child who is in need of support due to any of the following; death, divorced, stepfamilies blended, ongoing grave illness of a parent, families where one parent has never been a part of the child life due to abandonment, adoptive homes, families headed by grandparents or other relatives, Fi/Fo families, military families or families who have experienced abuse or violence, then you may like to have your child involved in such a small group. This program doesn’t fix problems it allows the children to own their stories, to be listened to and learn ‘how and to whom’ they can reach out to for support. It allows the participants to know that their feelings are common to many and helps them to find their words (rather than reaction) to share those feelings.

If you think you would like your child to participate there is a Rainbow pamphlet at the front desk with a contact number to call. Meanwhile as promised, a snapshot of Gary Chapman’s book ‘Five love languages of Children’. All kids need all five of the areas expressed to them but most children respond to one in particular way. (The same is said for adults.) The Five Languages are:

- **Words of Affirmation** – actions speak louder than words and if this is your son/daughter’s love language then unsolicited compliments mean the world to them.
- **Quality Time** – for these people nothing say I love you more than giving them your undivided attention.
- **Receiving Gifts** – not materialism but rather the love and thoughtfulness behind the gift means the most to these people.
- **Acts of Service**- the words they like to hear the most are ‘I will do that for you.’
- **Physical touch** – hugs, pats on the back, thoughtful touches on the arm speak volumes to those with this love language.

This knowledge is useful of course but the temptation can be to misuse it as a directive ‘Do this and I will ….(insert the child’s love language). But rather use the ‘language’ to communicate your desire ie. Tousle their hair as you ask them to do their homework and give them a little chocolate; after spending time hearing about their day – tell them when you are impressed with them. In the long term if you continue to show them your love using their preferred language then your relationship will become stranger. Thanks for your time. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Anne Prime (Chaplain)

If your children have experienced any number of these areas they may have an opportunity to work through some issues.

SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM

**GARDEN SCONES**

2 Cups SR Flour
1 tsp salt

Mix above ingredients together.

Then mix together:

- 2 eggs—whisked
- 100g butter—melted
- 80g cheese—grated.

Add to dry ingredients

Then add 1-2 cups of finely chopped garden green & herb (parsley, chives, silverbeet etc)

Mix altogether and spoon into mini muffin trays

Bake 180 degrees for 12-15 minutes.
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