SCHOOL REVIEW
On Thursday 11th September we will be facilitating our School Review—we will provide feedback to the school body through the first school council. I look forward to reviewing our last 4 years and building recommendations for our next 4 years. In the final term we will draft our new School Strategic Plan.

NAPLAN
The NAPLAN results for students in Year 3 and 5 will be sent home to all parents today. If you have any concerns regarding these results, please make an appointment with your classroom teacher.

HOOPTIME
Last Friday Ms Matarczyk took two—year 5 and 6 teams to the McDonalds Hoop Time competition. The Rookies-Nilma Nets worked well as a team and won all of their games. Rookies did not have finals. Well Done kids.

The Future Stars—Nilma Nuggets won through to the grandfinal—defeated by Bona Vista. Thanks to all the parents who attended and scored at the 5-6 Hoop-time. Thanks to Mr Norm Perry for assisting Ms Matarczyk with coaching on the day. When students represent the school is important that they display positive sportsmanship behaviours. While Hoop-time is a competition among our cluster of schools, the focus of the program is to have fun as well as a friendly competition.

Please return the basketball tops to school, if you haven’t already! Thanks.

BIKE EDUCATION
Year 4, 5 and 6 students please bring bikes and helmets Monday!

TOUR OF GIPPSLAND
As part of the 2014 Lakes Oil Tour of Gippsland, our students were able to enjoy watching the bike riders as they rode along Bloomfield Rd on Wednesday morning.

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE
Congratulations to the following students who have now completed the Premier’s Reading Challenge: Shelley Brown, Patrick Smythe, Jack Chesterfield, Andrew Burdett, Kiara Perry, Brianna Burnett, Mitchell Gilmore.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY
Our Footy Colours Day will be held on Friday 5th September (tomorrow). Come in your favourite footy colours. Gold coin donation to help fight cancer. Look out for special activities on the day!
R.E.A.L STUDENTS @ NILMA

Student of the Week

Recognitions

Homegroup 1/F Red

Jaycobb Archer
For working super hard during our word work sessions and guided reading! You are learning lots of new words. Well done Jaycobb!

Homegroup 3/2/1/ Green

Matilda Dent
For doing a fantastic job with your comprehension this week. You have using strategies to develop your reading.

Homegroup 5/4/3 Blue

Jamie Garten
For your cheerful nature and willingness to “have a go” in all areas in your learning. Well done mate!

Homegroup 6/5 Yellow

Jordan Stone
For being ‘on task’ during all classroom learning activities this week. Keep it up Jords.

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

NIGHTLY READING

25 nights
Aiden Smythe

50 nights
Mitchell Gilmore

75 nights
Cody Moss

100 nights
Lilli Parry-Thomas
Cody Ward
Sine Salt

125 nights
Jade Mammolito

Happy Birthday
Miss Closter
HOMEGROUP HAPPENINGS!

**Nutting out how Narrative Stories Work**
This week for writing groups we talked about fiction and non fiction books. We read a new fiction story, ‘Possum Magic’ by Mem Fox. We looked at what happened at the beginning, middle and end of the story. This is what a few students wrote about what happened at the beginning...

- Hush was safe from the snakes—Jessie
- Grandma Poss turned Hush invisible—Blake
- Hush was invisible—Larissa

**Japanese—Making Cherry Blossom Trees.**
In Japanese we made cherry blossom trees. We made them with pipe cleaners and paper. It was fun. Ashton

We had 50 bikes go past the school yesterday. It was called “The Tour of Gippsland”. We had to stand at the front gate of the school and watched them ride. by Mitchell

Yesterday we had 50 bikes go past our school for the Tour of Gippsland. There were heaps of police cars and motorbikes. We got stand out the front of the school.

By Bailey Dent

On the 29th August the year 5 and year 6 students did Hoop Time. The people that played on our team were; Kirsty, Max, Angus, Jack, Tahlia, Jordan and Sine. We won all of our games but Rookies don’t get to go into the finals. It was so unfair! by Holly and Shelby

**Life cycle of a Dingo**
A Dingo is an Australian wild dog very much like a dog. Dingoes look like long, thin dogs. Their colour is usually creamy yellow, but can come in black. Dingoes are found throughout main land Australia. Dingoes originally come from Southeast Asia. Dingoes live in a well-defined home range, which may be shared with others. Dingoes hunt small game on their own (game is like rabbit and stuff like that). If they join together they can hunt bigger animals.

- Dingos breed in Autumn.
- Four to five pups are born seven weeks after.
- The young are weaned at four to five months.
- Dingoes are mature at seven months.

Dingo pups drink milk from their mother until they are old enough to help out with hunting. Dingoes generally live to ten years of age.
BIKE EDUCATION—YEAR 4-6
Bike Education for years 4-6 will commence Monday 8th September 2014. Students have a week to get their bikes ready for Bike Education. Parents please ensure that bikes are safe—Bikes can be bought to school and left here for the 2 weeks. Teams will then be chosen to compete at the Lardner Bike challenge. Students in years F-3 will have an opportunity to have a mini Bike Education program in term 4.

Tim McArdle BIKE EDUCATION CHALLENGE—LARDNER
The Bike Education Challenge will held be on Thursday 18th September at Lardner Park. Schools across West Gippsland compete in teams. Students ride through 10 obstacles and are scored on their ability. The team with highest score wins! The school will transport bikes to and from the venue. If any parent has a trailer—could they let Ms S know. We will be having 2 teams compete in the Bike Education Challenge. Teams consist of 8 students (3—year 6 student, 3—year 5 students and 2—year 4 students. 4 girls and 4 boys) . If any parent/s can help with transport please let the school know.

NILMA BIKE EDUCATION CHALLENGE—Nilma
We will also be having the traditional Nilma Primary School Bike Education Challenge for all year 4, 5 and 6 students. All students will compete in the 10 areas of the school Bike Education Course, students will receive scores for successful completion of tasks. We will have 6 champions—year 4, 5 and 6 best boy and girl— This event will take place at school on Wednesday 18th September, in the afternoon. If any parent may like to be a steward for the afternoon—please let Ms Sutherland know.

All bikes can be taken home on Thursday 18th September—completion of the program.

GARDENING/SCIENCE

We picked food for a leafy salad: radish, wombok, lettuce, flowers, chives, parsley
Olivia and Piper

We put bricks around the apple tree. By Rieley, Ashton, Jack, Zavier, Sheree, Matilda and Piper planted flowers.

I put the plants on the stall. By Ty and Mikayla
I made the sign for a stall By Nataly.
We dug up the stones for the path By Aiden O , Tari, Bayley and Daniel.

We sifted and found lots of worms—Jade
We patted the chooks on the tail—Blake
We planted pea seeds—Teylah
We watered the plants with worm wee—Clint

Year 3/2/1 are responsible for the new school chooks.
They will be sharing the jobs:
- changing the straw\n- monitoring water
- feeding pellets and grains
- feeding them compost scraps.

They will be choosing names for them next week.
UNLOCKING YOUR POTENTIAL

I once read, “God’s gift to me is my potential, my gift back is what I do with that potential” (John Maxwell, author and motivational speaker.)

One trait of a successful person is the gift they have to look at what they have, rather than at what they don’t have. Many great men and women in history had hidden potential that was unlocked, enabling them to make a huge impact and contribution to the world, both in their lifetime and on into the future.

Albert Einstein performed so badly at high school, that teachers suggested he drop out and seek a job telling him “you’ll never amount to anything.” Einstein became one of the world’s greatest scientists, changing the world.

Then there’s Walt Disney. He was told his drawings weren’t good enough for a local newspaper, but one man gave him a dollar for one of his drawings and told him to keep trying. Walt went on to create the world famous “Mickey Mouse” and many other famous Disney characters, and became the forerunner of full length animated movies, and invented the world famous theme park, Disneyland.

There is something powerful lying in each one of us—our potential. Take inspiration from these people, or someone you know who has found their potential and let it out. Unlock your potential, do something with your gifts. You can also make a difference in this world.

(Thoughts for this article have come from “I dreamt I was a supermodel”. By Jane Geyer)

SRI—CRE PROGRAM

There are some families who have not yet returned CRE consent forms. These have been attached to the newsletter for those who have not yet returned them, there is both forms, one to give permission and one to not give permission to participate in the program. Could these forms please be returned to school by Wednesday 10th September. These forms will now become an annual permission in line with new department guidelines. From 2015, it will be included in Nilma’s Annual Permission Booklet.

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE

The Reading Challenge finishes on 12th September.

Our target is to have all students complete the Premier’s Reading Challenge this year. A reminder to parents if you have not yet completed a consent form please do so and return to school so we can complete registration for each student.

This consent form will allow your child to receive a Certificate of Achievement signed by the Premier and have their name published on the Premier’s Honour Roll.

Thanks for supporting your child’s reading!

SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

CHRISTMAS CHILD

Nilma PS are again participating in the Christmas Child initiative. Families are able to donate a small gift which will be collected at school then distributed to children in other countries. Gifts are asked to be something to wear, love, play with, write and draw, help keep clean or something special for either a boy or girl. Gifts will be collected in October so they can be distributed in time for Christmas.
Students have been enjoying participating in both Circus Skills and Multi Sports, learning new skills and having fun. 

Next week is our last session of Circus Skills and families are invited to come along and watch students perform some of the newly learnt skills and then join in the performance! This week we have had some new juggling equipment arrive which was fun to use!

Multi Sports will run for an extra week, with the last session being on Thursday 18th September, as we had to cancel one session due to the inclement weather earlier in the term.

Term 4’s program will be advertised as soon as we have confirmed activities and coaches.

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**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GIPPSLAND POWER FOOTBALL CLUB**

Will be holding Under 10, 12 and 14 Fitness and Skill acquisition days at the Gippsland Power Centre of Excellence Morwell Football Ground, Travers Street, Morwell

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Features:
- Elite Coaching
- Skill Acquisition
- Fitness Testing
- Skill Testing
- Pathway Brief
- Training Session

Time: 10:00am to 3:00pm
Cost: $100.00 For registrations please contact the Gippsland Power Football Club office on 5134 8133

*Registrations close on Friday Sept 19th*

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**Gulls Netball Club**

Twilight Registration Day
Wednesday 17th September
4:30pm - 6:00pm

Burke Street Netball Courts Warragul

Competition starts Monday 13th October, 2014

New players and umpires are very welcome

One of the lowest Club Registration Fees
For more information contact Sally 0407865257

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**LIBRARY HELPERS**

I would like to say a big thank you to the people who have helped to cover library books: Kerry Brown, Kylie Bott, Jennifer Scott and Joanne Brown. Thank you for your help to prepare these new resources for the children to use. From Barb Vagg.
The Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program is up and running! Students have been enjoying a wide range of foods and learning new cooking skills! For interested parents, a Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program committee will 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 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

Donated by Bundle Family

Pasta machine

Donated by Santana family

Small containers with lids

Mortar and pestle, large

Donated by the Turner Family

Rolling Pin

Potato ricer (1)

Donated by the Santo & Majcherzak families

Sugar dredger, fine holed (1)

Pepper mills (4)

Donated by Addison family

Nylon scrapers (4)

Wok Sang (1)

Donated by the Santo & Majcherzak families

Wooden salad servers (4) Metric measuring cups (2 sets) Metric measuring jugs, to one litre

Donated by Santana family

Donated by Bundle Family

Ladle 150ml

Ladle 60 ml

Pastry brush, nylon bristles (4)

Donated by Bundle Family

Flower vases (5)

Candy thermometer

Donated by Santana family

Food processor

Plates, cups, knives, forks

Donated by the Majorzak family

Tea towels

Small aprons (10)

Donated by Santana family

Serving platters and serving bowls, various sizes

Volunteers Needed!!

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.

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