Principal Notes

OLYMPIANS VISIT NILMA
Nilma PS and Bona Vista Primary School were fortunate to have a visit from three London Olympians on Monday. Victoria Brown (Water Polo), Phoebe Stanley (Rowing) and Rowie Webster (Water Polo) all represented Australia at recent London Olympics. The students listened to the athletes’ stories on how they got to be Olympians – the presentation was terrific and kids loved the fact that girls were just so genuine. The big message for the students was that while being at school and pursuing various sporting activities, lots of things are possible and to dare to dream and work hard towards a goal you may have, whether it in sporting domain or in life. Victoria, Rowie and Phoebe connected with the students on such a genuine and natural level. Students could see they were just like them, with two of the athletes attending smaller primary schools themselves. Some students got to don the Olympic Uniform. Holly looked a little lost in the towelling gown and I think the bathers were a tad too big for Bailey! Students asked many questions, nothing phased the trio from the simple to more thought provoking questions. The only downside for us was that we could not have had the whole day with the athletes. This experience for both Nilma students and Bona Vista students will last in their memories for their lives. School Leaders thanked the athletes for taking time out of their busy schedules to share their journeys with us. Students heard there have been ups and downs on the way for all athletes – and few opportunities that were missed but the trio had overcome their own battles and worked through these with determination and passion to achieve success in their chosen fields. True ambassadors for the youth of Australia!

VICTORIAN SCHOOLS BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP
Congratulations to our four students, Ryan Young, Patrick Smythe, Kylie Griggs and Megan Griggs who participated in the Badminton Championships held at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre yesterday. Students came 10th out of 18 teams, which is a fantastic effort. Thankyou to the parents Julie Young and Belinda Smythe for accompanying students to the event.

BIKE EDUCATION CHALLENGE—LARDNER
The Bike Ed Challenge will be on Thursday 20th September at Lardner Park. Permission forms and travel forms must be returned by next Tuesday 18th September. Students will be departing the school at 9.45am and returning approximately 1.15pm. Children will be supplied with a BBQ lunch at Lardner Park. The school will transport bikes to and from the venue.

Our Bike Education program will be towards end of term 4 when buildings completed and weather on our side. However we will be having 2 teams compete in the Bike Education Challenge. All year 6 and 5 students who wanted to participate have been able to, however we had lots of year 4 students wanting to have a go but we...
**R.E.A.L STUDENTS @ NILMA**

**Student of the Week**

**Recognitions**

**Homegroup 1 / Prep**

**Lane Ward**
For showing great leadership skills

**Homegroup 3/2**

**Ella Perry**
For sharing her thinking in writing and building on her ideas.

**Homegroup 4/3**

**Kylie Griggs**
For being voted by her peers as an excellent student who demonstrates all the R.E.A.L. values at Nilma.

**Homegroup 6/5**

**Brytnie Duff**
For her cheerful approach to her learning and willingness to challenge herself and always do her best. A great role model.

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**R. E. A. L STUDENTS @ NILMA**

**NIGHTLY READING**

**Recognition certificates**

- **50 nights**
  - Carolyn Dungey

- **75 nights**
  - Riley Kleeven

- **100 nights**
  - Tayla Lochki
  - Michael Farnham

- **125 nights**
  - Mitch Chesterfield
  - Jack Hall
  - Lane Ward
  - Rieley Gunton
  - Jack Chesterfield

- **150 nights**
  - Justin Axford
  - Olivia Quinn
  - Angus Mulcerno
  - Lachlan Axford

- **175 nights**
  - Mckayla Lindsay

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**CONGRATULATIONS**
to Max Chesterfield, Mitch Chesterfield and Lachlan Axford for being part of the Warranor team that won their Football Grand final.

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**FOUND IN OUR FRIDGE**

Does your child own this medicine?
Please let us know at school.

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**Prep Transition 2012**

**Nilma Dates for Transition.**

- Thursday 15th November
- Wednesday 28th November
- Wednesday 5th December
- Tuesday 11th December

More detailed information will be sent out to all families early next week.
At present we have 8 new prep students for 2013
**Homegroup Happenings!**

**We had some Olympians at our school and we got to talk to them.**
**By Daniel**

**We made pizzas for the Hungry Giant.**
**By Zavier**

**We saw a real bronze Olympic medal.**
**By Ashton**

Bona Vista kids came to Nilma. We had seven in our class. I made a new friend.
**By Ashton**

We wrote stories about a cat.
**By Emma**

The cat went under the house to get a drink.
**By Matilda**

He went down the street. He saw a tap. He licked it. He was a stray and he didn’t have a bowl, so he kept licking it.
**By Sheree**

His water bowl is empty. He is thirsty, it is a hot day so he drinks out of the tap.
**By Ashley**

As a class we sat outside discussing the sights, smells, sounds, and feelings that are associated with the season of spring. Our pieces of writing were to include those senses.

*In spring time...*  
*I feel warmth coming from the sun.*  
*It feels like I am in a warm bath.*  
*I smell the sweet smell of flowers.*  
*I hear birds chirping and tweeting along.*  
*It sounds like every morning they create a song for me.*  
*I see white fluffy cotton clouds.*  
*It looks like sheep wool in the sky.*

*Written by Rose -Ann*

**Biography**

Chris Judd

Chris Judd is number 5 and the captain of Carlton. He last played for West Coast but has joined the Carlton team to help them win the grand final. Judd’s weight is 88kg and his height is 189cm and he was born on the 8/9/1983. He was born in Melbourne, Vic, Australia. When he is playing football his position is a midfielder. He is 30 years old and his full name is Christopher Dylan Judd he is now a father of Oscar Dylan Judd. He is also married to Rebecca Twigley.
**By Ryan**

**Gardening**

Yesterday, me and a couple of others went gardening. I helped build the garden beds. It was the first time I did gardening. We got an icy pole after we did all of it. It was the best day.
**By Lachlan Crook**

In gardening we made vegetable patches. It was a very hot day. Jack and I dug a hole.
**By Lachlan A**

In gardening I helped build vegetable patches. You sit inside them and screw them together. They were like little houses, it was fun. It was so hot that day, so at the end all the helpers got icypoles.
**By Patrick**

After lunchtime every Tuesday I help Leanne Hodge and Mrs McLennan in the garden. Next week I’m going to bring some raspberry prunings to plant in one of the planter boxes that I put together.
**By Shakira Kimm**

On every Tuesday we garden, but on last Tuesday it was my day to garden and I had to make garden beds. It was really hard. As soon as it was done, I felt like a dog sitting inside a cage. Then I helped with the mulch. I had to use a pick axe to loosen the mulch. At the end we got free icypoles.
**By Dominick**

At gardening I got to use a pick axe. It was fun because I looked like a gold miner.
**By Jack Chesterfield**
SWIMMING PROGRAM
Swimming Program commences…
Cost for the swimming program will be $40 a student—Total cost $54.60—Nilma Primary will subsidise the $14.60 per student.
Permission forms must be returned with payment by Friday 14th September.
The dates for the swimming program are: Monday 8th, 15th, 22nd, Friday 12th, 19th & 26th October.
Children will be travelling by school bus, leaving the school at 1.00pm to attend the swimming program at the Warragul Leisure Centre. Parents must pick up children from the Leisure Centre at 3.15pm.
All students will need to bring bathers and a towel for each session.

LOST PROPERTY
Could parents please check the lost property box (in kitchenette area at back of main building) to see if your child is missing any items of clothing. It is important that all clothing worn to school is named, so items can be returned to the correct owner. Michael Farnham has lost several jackets—could parents check that children have not accidentally taken another child’s jacket home.

PARENT CLUB NOTES

Shopping Warehouse Tour:
The date for the shopping tour is Saturday 20th October. The final price is $55.00 which will include a restaurant meal for lunch and give aways and prize draws on the bus.
All payments must be made in cash (no cheques please!) and brought to the school office in a named envelope. At this stage we need to confirm numbers. A deposit is required by Friday 21st Sept, and payment in full must be Paid by Friday 12th October.

For any enquiries regarding the shopping trip, Please contact Nikki Kimm on 0427 563 009

WAREHOUSE SHOPPING TOUR
Please return form to the school office with full payment or deposit by Friday 21st September.

Name: ____________________________________________

How many attending: _______________________________

Money enclosed: ___________________________________
SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINIC
HOT SHOTS CHALLENGE AND FREE GIVE AWAYS
24th, 25th & 26th September
Come along to the Warragul or Drouin Tennis Clubs and have some fun in the holidays. Learn new skills and improve your tennis finishing with a Hot Shots Challenge Match and give aways. Ages: 6-16. All standards. Cost: $60.00.

Tennis Coaching commencing October 2012 for all standards and age groups

For further information or bookings phone
Gippsland Tennis Coaching
(Mark Stevens, Professional Club Coach, Tennis Aust. Certified)
Tel: 51 748685 or 0417 140 763
Email: mstennis@dcsi.net.au

FREE TO GOOD HOME
2 Female Guinea pigs, 6 months old and very cute.
Please contact Leigh Wooster if you would be interested on 0431 068 645
This week we have planted carrots, strawberries, tomatoes, celery, spinach, onions, potatoes, lettuce, capsicum, broccoli (corn and radish) seeds in little hot houses.

We will need to make a roster for children watering the vegetable garden and box hedges. We also need some cardboard milk cartons to put around the celery (8 of) if children could bring them in from home.

Thankyou, Jessie and Leanne

**KIDS GARDEN TIPS**
When I was gardening I did watering I used a shovel and a rake. I did it because I needed to learn how to do gardening. I did the watering very carefully. I learnt that the straw was very heavy.

By Mitch Chesterfield

On Tuesday, I went outside to help work on the garden. The equipment we needed was some spades and two wheelbarrows. I learnt to spread the mulch over the weeds. I used my hands to spread the mulch. We used worm poo and soil and put it into the wheelbarrow with the spades. Mrs Hodge took the full wheelbarrow to the new garden. When I took the wheelbarrow on the concrete, it broke. We lost one of the nuts. By Bailey Dent

Last week, we did gardening. We learnt how to plant hedges. First you get some clippings and cut some sticks off a hedge, making sure that it has some leaves on it. Cut a little bit off the bottom and some off the top. You cut it off the top so all of the water doesn’t just go up there. Then we got some honey and dipped the bottom of the plant in it. You do this so that the roots will grow quicker. After you do that part you plant it in some soil and water it with a watering can. By Holly

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**Premier’s Reading Challenge**

Congratulations Nilma Students! This year we have had 62 students successfully complete the Premier’s Reading Challenge. Well done to students and parents who have supported the challenge with home reading.

The following students have completed the challenge:

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Student of the Week
Recognitions—6th Sept 2012

Homegroup 1 / Prep
Sheree Casey-Wilson
For reading her word list at home each night.

Homegroup 3/2
Mitch Chesterfield
For his great writing about his football victory and for doing a great job at typing up his work.

Homegroup 4/3
Harrison Perry
Was voted by his peers as an excellent student who demonstrates all the R.E.A.L values at Nilma.

Homegroup 6/5
Justin Axford
For putting a fantastic effort into his work and being a hard worker when working in school garden.

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SCHOOL BANKING

School Council has approved the School Banking program for students. All students will be given a bank book which they can deposit money into. The school banking day will be Wednesday. More information and forms will be sent out early in Term 4.

Bike Ed Challenge

Students participating in the Bike Education Challenge are asked to bring their bikes and helmets to school on Monday, so we can practice skills all week. Children are to clean bikes, and parents are to check for roadworthiness. There will be bike Education bikes to use on the day if needed, but students will need their bikes to practice during the week. Permission forms and car travel forms will be going home today and must be brought back by next Wednesday 19th Sept. Children will be transported to and from Nilma PS in private cars. A BBQ lunch will be provided at Lardner Park.

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SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDER

NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL— SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDER FORM

The Parents Club and School Council have approved the new school uniforms. Children may start wearing them in Term 4.

Items available for purchase are: Polo Tops with school logo (child & adults sizes) $23 and ‘bucket’ type hats with school logo. $12. Samples are at the office if parents would like to view.

Could parents please fill in the form below and return to the school with a deposit by Thursday 20th September. The Parents Club will be ordering the uniforms during the holidays. Orders will be delivered to the school early in Term 4. Full payment must be made on collection of uniforms.

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UNIFORM ORDER

Orders and deposits are to be returned to the school office by Thursday 20th September.

Payment can be made by cash or cheque made to Nilma Primary School.

Sizes range from Childs: 6,8,10,12,14,16  Adults: Small, Medium, Large

Hat sizes are: Small, Medium, Large

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