WELCOME BACK FOR TERM 4
Welcome back to term 4. We hope all the students had a relaxing break, and parents too if you were not working. We hope all students have come back refreshed and ready to settle back into the school routines and their learning. No more sleep–ins! This term will be a fairly busy one as the end of the school year (and Christmas!) draws near. Orientation days for our new Preps starting in 2013 and the Grade 6’s heading off to secondary school, Swimming Program, Japan Exchange trip and end of year reports. We also have Melbourne Cup Holiday, and for students and families a “long weekend” (School Closure Day) as teachers will be attending a Professional Development Day on Monday 5th November.

JAPAN TRIP
On Monday 29th October Laura Young will be heading off for a 2 week exchange in Japan, along with Ms Sutherland, Mrs Burdett and Matthew Burdett (who is now in year 7 at W.R.C.) They will be travelling with students, teachers and parents from Darnum Primary School and staying with various host families and catching up with some of the Japanese interns who have worked at Warragul in previous years. In term 1 we hosted some Japanese students here for the day on their visit to Australia.

STAFFING
This term Miss Watts will be absent in the coming weeks and we will maintain some continuity with the grade 3/2 with Mrs Buckler working with the students, supported by Mrs Taranto and is an experienced grade 3/2 teacher who has worked at Nilma with the Science and I.C.T. programs and is well known to all the students.

TERM 4 HATS
Just a reminder that Nilma school hats are required to be worn by all students in term 4. The “new” Nilma school hats will be available in the next few weeks. Students are expected to wear a hat in the playground at all times. If students are waiting for new school hats—any hat will do for next week.

SWIMMING
Monday saw the commencement of our 2012 swimming program. First day back and nearly everyone remembered their bathers! Students receive a 45 minute lesson and the opportunity for 45 minutes of supervised recreational water play as part of the program. Groupings ran smoothly with a few students shuffled to new swimming groups.

Swimming again tomorrow!

BOOK FAIR
Once again we will be holding a book Fair at Nilma. The Book Fair will start on Monday 15th October and run until Friday 19th October. This is a good opportunity for families to purchase some good quality children’s books. The school receives a commission on books sold to go towards new books for our library. All books will be set up in the “Hidey Hole” room to view and will be available for purchase everyday that week. Students will have an opportunity to preview the books and make a “Wish List” of titles to take home and show you next Monday. Parents are welcome to come in with their children to view and purchase books before and after school. The fair will be run by some of our grade 6/5/4 students.

Please see Mr Williams for any enquiries.

BUILDING WORKS
Our new staff room has been completed and in the coming weeks work will commence on the refurbishment of the “Old building” to create a proper office and administration area. This will allow us to more effectively and efficiently manage the administration of the school and complement all the other improvements that we have seen at Nilma in the past few years. The old office area will also receive some attention and redecoration. 1/P students may move to the new staffroom for a few weeks to allow the works to commence.

WANTED - VEGETABLE GARDEN
8 Milk cartons to protect our celery

Come and see our vegetables growing

The baby spinach is yummy!
R.E.A.L STUDENTS @ NILMA

Student of the Week

Recognitions
Homegroup 1 / Prep
Meg Devlin
for always being ready to take on a new challenge

Homegroup 3/2
Kiandra Polglaze
For persisting with new and challenging tasks and achieving well as a result.

Homegroup 4/3
Callum Adams
For making a great start to Term 4 and concentrating hard on his learning to achieve his best.

Homegroup 6/5
Ryan Young
for doing some fantastic work and always being on task.

R. E. A. L STUDENTS @ NILMA
NIGHTLY READING

Recognition certificates

50 nights
Rachael Lawry
Tayla Lawry

100 nights
Bailey Dent

125 nights
Jack Hall
Zavier Allsopp
Bailey Stephens
Matilda Dent
Holly Farnham
Tahlia Witney

175 nights
Meg Devlin

200 nights
Jessica Gilbertson
Mckayla Lindsay

BOOK CLUB ORDERS
Attached to the newsletter are Book Club orders. All orders and money must be returned to the school by next Thursday 18th October.

Summit Camp Grade 6 Transition Day
On Friday 30th November the grade 6 students will be attending the “Summit Camp” at Trafalgar East with the other Grade 6 students from the Mount Worth Cluster as part of their preparation and transition to secondary school in 2013. This is an excellent day with a focus on developing team building, leadership and initiative skills with students from other schools that will be joining with them in year 7.

Prep Transition 2012 Nilma Dates for Transition.
• Thursday 15th November
• Wednesday 28th November
• Wednesday 5th December
• Tuesday 11th December

Information was sent out to all families this week. At present we have 8 new prep students for 2013.
HOMEGROUP HAPPENINGS!

We went swimming so we could learn how to swim. Holly
My cousin came for a sleep over and we watched the “Avengers”. Lane
I watched the car races. It was between Holden and Ford. Holden won. Meg

I learnt swimming and I am now in group 2. Rieley.

We have music today. I enjoy guessing the songs played on the flute. Daniel

We have Japanese today. I like playing the Japanese games. Zavier.

Blake and I played with my new cars in the holidays. Bailey

Rieley was pupil of the week and he is the leader in our lines. Zaic

We made a splash at the Warragul leisure centre on Monday. For our swimming lessons we were put in groups, I was in group three. The first half was my lesson. We did back stroke and freestyle. Then we played in the pool. Our next lesson is on Friday. By Tahlia

This week we’ve been doing a bit on contractions. Did not is written as didn’t or could not is couldn’t. By Sine
We use contractions in sentences and when we talk, it combines two words into one. He’s, can’t and isn’t are all contractions. By Carolyn

I’ve learnt that there a still some pirates in these days. We used a procedural text and followed the instructions to draw a pirate (face). Yesterday Mr Williams bought in an old treasure map – from his grandfathers chest! By Bailey

On Monday the school went to the Leisure Centre. We got there by bus, I was in group seven. In my group there was Lachlan A, Kylie G, Rachael L, Ryan Y, Tayla L, Olivia Q and of course me! My group had lessons first, our teacher was Liz. We had free time second. I gave Kylie a piggy back in the water. We went in the little kids’ pool to play with the little kids. I had lots of fun playing with the little kids. By Shakira Kimm

On the 8<sup>th</sup> of October 2012 we had swimming. We got there by bus. It was really long. Fist I had to have lessons while the other groups had free time in the big pool in the lessons we had to swim to the back of the pool and back. It was tiring. After that we had free time. I was playing ball with Zaic and some other kids in the little pool. I had lots of fun. Then I had to get out but I did not want to! By Dominick Phillip Johnstone – Witney

On the 10<sup>th</sup> of October we went swimming for the first time. It was very good fun. First my group had free time and I spent it with my friends. Then my group had swimming lessons. It was fun but I had to go home. By Alan Smith

The funniest part about swimming was the free time. We were playing volley ball. We didn’t keep score. The aim was to get the ball over the rope. I played with Justin, Savanna and Patrick. By Bailey

I was in level A group. We had free time first and then lessons. We have a really nice teacher. We did freestyle, backstroke and breast stroke. It was great fun. By Laura

I had lots of fun and we did heaps of laps for a assessment. I through I couldn’t do freestyle and then I did it. I was impress with myself. By Jessica
PARENT CLUB NOTES

FOOD HANDLERS/FOOD SUPERVISORS
We are currently updating our database and are asking if any parents that are involved in Parents Club that have their Food Handlers Certificate and/or Food Supervisors Certificate could they please bring a copy of this into school so a copy can be made and placed in our files for future reference.

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 giveaways 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, 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

PARENTS CLUB MEETING
There will be a Parents Club Meeting on Thursday 18th October in the staffroom at 9am. We will be discussing fundraisers for Term 4 and catering at a local Clearing Sale.

Parents Club have been given the opportunity to cater at a Clearing Sale in Nilma on 27th October. A form is attached to the newsletter for helpers, please return the form to the school by Wednesday 17th October if you are able to help.

UNIFORM ORDERS
Another order for the new school top and hat will be placed at the start of November. If anyone would like to order any of these items please place your order and a deposit at the office before October 31st.

PARENTS CLUB FUNDRAISER– CLEARING SALE CATERING
Parents Club have been invited to cater at a Clearing Sale in Nilma on 27th October 2012. It will be held on Bloomfield Road, opposite the school starting at 11am. Helpers will be needed from approximately 9am till it finishes in the afternoon, more details will be available next week. At this stage the items that Parents Club will be selling are Sausages, Onions, Cold Drinks, Tea and Coffee.
All help is greatly appreciated, please return the form below by Wednesday 17th October. A meeting will be held on Thursday 18th October at 9am to discuss the catering more, everyone is welcome to attend this meeting.

CLEARING SALE CATERING
NAME; ____________________________________________
I WILL/WILL NOT BE ABLE TO HELP AT THE CLEARING SALE ON 27TH OCTOBER.
TIMES AVAILABLE; ____________________________________________

THANK YOU, PARENTS CLUB.
This term we will be doing Lawn Bowls/BMX on Tuesdays and Cricket on Thursdays.

Students wishing to participate in Tuesday’s sessions are to be aware that they will need to participate in both Lawn Bowls and BMX. Lawn Bowls will run for 4 weeks and BMX for 3. **Students must have their own bikes and helmets to be able to participate** in the BMX sessions, they will need to be brought in for each session to the BMX track by parents/guardians and then taken home again. Students may be able to share bikes with other students, if parents have given permission, but they must have their own helmets. **Riding at the BMX track is done at students own risk.** Parents are encouraged to stay for these sessions. Students will also need to be transported to the venues by parents/guardians, they will need to be at the venues by 3.30pm and collected by 4.30pm. Warragul Bowling Club is at Anderson Street, Warragul and the BMX track is on Western Park Drive, Warragul. We will be doing these sessions with students from Warragul North P.S.

Any students that behave in a way deemed dangerous or inappropriate by myself or the coach during BMX sessions will not be able to participate in any further BMX sessions.

Appropriate footwear is also required for sessions as well as hats and drink bottles. Long pants and jumpers will be required for BMX sessions.

Cricket sessions on Thursdays will be held at school.

The sign out book will also be used again this term, thank you to parents for using this during term 3, it has made pick up run more smoothly and allowed for proper communication between myself, parents, students and coaches.

Participants are;

**LAWN BOWLS/BMX:**
Lawn Bowls – 16/10, 23/10, 30/10, 13/11. BMX – 20/11, 27/11, 4/12.
No session on 6/11 as Melbourne Cup Holiday.


**CRICKET:**
18/10, 25/10, 1/11, 8/11, 15/11, 22/11, 29/11.


There are still some spots available for both sessions, if you would like to participate please fill out a form at the office.
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