THANK YOU
Thank you to parents for supporting many of our programs at Nilma—Reminder if you would like to come along and help out—please talk to classroom teachers.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
As part of our strategy for emergency management, in the event of a need to contact all parents in case of a school closure, we will be updating the school mobile phone to SMS every family. Please find details on page 9-10.

SWIMMING
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. The free play time allows students to mingle and develop social skills and swimming skills during recreation time.

Swimming again tomorrow!

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL-JOB OFFER
Our Active After School co-ordinator Belinda Smythe, has decided to resign from being the program supervisor for 2013. If any parents would be interested in taking on this job role, please contact the office. This position would be for 7 weeks per term, 2 sessions per week, approx. $30 session. Please see Annette.

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.

BOOK FAIR
Once again we are holding a book Fair at Nilma. The Book Fair will run until Wednesday 24th October. (Extended due to swimming) 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 are set up in the “Hidey Hole” room to view and are available for purchase everyday. Students have had an opportunity to preview the books and make a “Wish List” of titles to take home. Parents are welcome to come in with their children to view and purchase books before and after school. The fair is being run by some of our grade 6/5/4 students. Please see Mr Williams for any enquiries.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
The next School Council Meeting will be held at 2.00pm on Tuesday 23rd October.
R.E.A.L STUDENTS @ NILMA

Student of
the Week

Recognitions
Homegroup 1 / Prep
Zaic Farmer
for setting and achieving many goals in his first week of swimming

Homegroup 3/2
Carolyn Dungey
For consistent effort. Thinking about and taking care of her work.

Homegroup 4/3
Max Chesterfield and Lachlan Axford
for taking on the responsibility to organise the Nilma R.E.A.L. Values poster competition

Homegroup 6/5
Cooper Allsopp
For having a positive attitude and trying hard in tasks this week especially in mathematics.

STUDENT LEARNING @ NILMA

R.E.A.L STUDENTS @ NILMA

NIGHTLY READING

Recognition certificates

100 Nights
James Dungey
Anthony Scott

125 Nights
Ryan Young
Olivia Guinn
Sine Salt

150 Nights
Jack Chesterfield
Jack Hall

200 Nights
Aiden Olsson
Savanna Maunder

READING AT NIGHT
Please continue to encourage and listen to your child read. Ask them questions about what they have read. Remember to enter the book into their diary and have it signed to go towards their ‘Reading Nights’ awards.

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. Permission forms were sent home last week and must be returned with payment by Monday 12th November.

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.
COME TO THE BOOK FAIR

Hey, kids and parents, guess what? The Book Fair is back at Nilma. Yay! We are selling our stock quickly so come now. Each day we are recommending a book to each class. Running the book fair is Savanna, Shakira, Kylie, Bayley, and Mckayla. The book fair will finish on Wednesday the 24th. Today we recommended to the grades some books from the fair. For 4/3 W “The Silver Door” and “Tom Gates”. For the P/1 “Camilla the Cupcake Fairy” and “The Very Hungry Bear”. 5/6 B; “The Silver Door” and “Bear Grylls” and for the 2/3’s “Ella and Olivia” and “Flat Stanley.”

By Mckayla, Kylie and Shakira
Mrs. Uren came to school to show us William. She brought his tiny hats that he had in hospital, they are green and blue. We saw things that he had on his foot and in his nose when he was in hospital. Mrs. Uren gave us a present which was a picture with lots of little pictures of William. Some of us wrote her some more letters and drew pictures for Mrs. Uren and William.

We are doing pirates at school. My name is Puffy Shirt Faith. We coloured in and cut out a picture of a pirate. I enjoy doing activities on pirate. By Tahlia

My pirate name is Cannonball Kathryn. I have learnt they drink ale. We have been making pirates. By Kirsty

Our grade have our own pirate names. My name is Ruthless Marilyn Reed. Mrs. Buckler has a plank so if we naughty we have to walk the plank. By Shelby

In our class Mrs. Buckler gave us some pirate sheets. We got some colouring in sheets. I enjoy completing the sheets on pirates. By Kiandra

On Sunday my dad, sister, grandparents and I went to find some wood. I walk into the bush and almost got a leech on me. I hate them. By Sine

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Pirates Attack

The cannons were placed at the sides of the ship and on the deck. They would shoot a cannon ball called a Grape shot. It was used to shoot at enemy ships and hopefully sink the enemy for a victorious win! You would have had to be strong to lift one of these because they weigh up to 3 to 110 pounds!!! They are made out of thick iron to make sure when they hit the enemy they sink!

Guns and swords

The pirates usually would use these to kill or threaten other people mostly to get a ransom so they can steal all their goods. When they make a hostage attack it will be mostly someone close to there heart. If the pirates got there way they would give back the hostage but if not the hostage would go overboard while tied up and left to drown or they would be shot!
R.E.A.L. Poster Competition

At the end of last month we created a shield about feelings with Marcia in a leadership programme. So we decided to make a competition for the students with the Nilma R.E.A.L. values. We let the students make their own shield and then we selected the best ones to put in the newsletter.

The best shields we chose were by Ashton, Holly Farnham Shakira and Laura. By Lachlan, Lane and Max.
Environmental Science

Our Gardening program will be moving to Thursdays—all day—each grade will have a mini project in our outside learning spaces—this will be part of our science program for 4 weeks. If parents would like to join in please see Annette for group times.

Things we need: Large rocks for the pond area
Things we have been doing in the Garden—planting different vegetables and finishing the garden beds - Parent helpers are more than welcome. Come and see or taste our vegetables! The Baby Spinach is yummy! Jessie and Leanne

Swimming

R.E.A.L. STUDENT LEARNING @ NILMA
**Kanga Cricket**

On Thursday the 25th of October, Grade 6/5 students and Patrick and Jack M will be going to Kanga Cricket at the Buln Buln Reserve. The aim of Kanga Cricket is to enable EVERY player to have a chance of success, as well as participating in an enjoyable game. The day includes three round robin matches and a final. Each game consists of 16-over game (eight overs per team) and requires just 45 to 50 minutes from start to finish. The day conducted between 9.30am and 2.15pm at Buln Buln Reserve. Students are to be dropped off at the Buln Buln Reserve around 9.00 and pick up at 2.15.

If any parents are having problems dropping off or picking up their child at these times you may want to car pool with another parents or contact Miss Berkelmans as she will can pick students up and dropped them back at school.

**Scrabble Tournament at Bona Vista PS**

On Tuesday 23rd October 2012 students will be playing in a scrabble tournament. The Tournament will begin between 10am and will finish about 2:30pm. Students will be transported to and from Bona Vista. A sausage sizzle lunch will be available at $1 per sausage. Students will need to bring morning tea and drinks. Students compete individually not as a team with one student versing another student from the same section. Students will play 3 or 4 40 minute games.

**UNIFORM ORDERS**

The new uniforms have arrived at the office! Please see Rachel to collect them.

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.

**HELP NEEDED**

The house across the road from the school will be having a Clearing Sale on Saturday 27th October. We require some help from parents to set up for the clearing sale on either Friday night 26th, or Saturday morning 27th. This would require setting up tables and helping to unload items from the neighbours shed. All help would be greatly appreciated!

**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. 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.

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**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.
ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

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.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Preparing for Fire Season

Spring has sprung, the grass is growing the sun is starting to pop through and summer will soon be upon us. Whilst ground is still quite wet it won’t take long for things to dry out, so now is the time to start cleaning up around the house.

Would you like to know more? Bring the kids! Visit Nilma North Brigade at their station on Sunday the 25th November.

Come visit us at this address: 890 Bloomfield Road, Buln Buln on Sunday the 25th November at 10am – 2pm

Know your risks, preparing a plan and discussing your plan with family, friends and neighbours is the best way to secure you and your families safety and wellbeing when an emergency strikes.

You can find more information by visiting CFA’s website: www.cfa.vic.gov.au

Spring Badminton!

For junior players of all ages

(including those from the ‘Active After Schools Program’)

Beginners welcome!

(Please note - these are not training sessions, beginners will be expected to learn the game through playing matches)

Friday evenings, 12th October—30th November (8 weeks) 6.00—8.00 pm

The Warragul Badminton Centre, Galloway Street, Warragul.

$5 per evening per player

For further information please contact Ray Throup on 0412487322 or email roscoandbr@dcisi.net.au
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As part of our strategy for emergency management, in the event of a need to contact all parents in case of a school closure, we will be setting up a new school procedure. We will be using the school mobile phone to SMS every family.

In the event of needing to activate our plan, families will receive an SMS to a Designated Mobile phone. Once each family receives the message we will ask for a notification SMS response from families indicating they have received the message. If we do not receive a notification of receipt of message we will then use other emergency contact details.

During last year it took us several hours to make contact with parents when we had received notification of Nilma to be closed.

This process will be used only in emergency situations—school closure notification at this stage. We will need to make sure that all school information is accurate.

Please return the attached slip (front and back) to the office indicating the mobile phone number for this process.

The number is usually Parent A—mobile on our school records, but we will use the number you return on the form below. In the situation where your family does not have a mobile phone—the school will contact the families landline.

If your family has changed any personal contact details such as phone number (mobile or landline), address or occupation details please notify the Office in writing so all of our details are up to date.

NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT 2012-13

FAMILY NAME:_____________________________________

MOBILE PHONE NUMBER FOR SCHOOL SMS EMERGENCY CONTACT:

PHONE NUMBER:___________________________________

NAME OF OWNER:__________________________________

Parent Signature:_______________________ Date:__________
As part of our strategy for Emergency Management, we are just following up on a number of practices to keep all students safe.

In the event a parent/guardian is unable to pick up a student from school or another parent has been arranged to do so, it would be best if parents could advise the school on the day through the diary or by phone.

Some parents have permanent arrangements for pick ups—a note in writing would be appreciated in this case or unplanned things happen.

Could all parents please complete this ‘Authorised persons to pick up students from school form’.

**PLEASE RETURN SLIP BELOW TO OFFICE BY FRIDAY NOVEMBER 9TH 2012**

Nilma Primary School

**AUTHORISED PERSON TO PICK UP STUDENT FROM SCHOOL**

**FAMILY NAME:** ________________________________

**STUDENT NAMES**

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**AUTHORISED PERSONS:**

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**NAME:** ________________________________

**NAME:** ________________________________

**Parent/ Guardian**

Signature___________________________ Date__________