RE-DEDICATION OF HONOUR BOARD
On Monday November 9th at 9.00am we held a very special ceremony at assembly for the ‘Re-education of the school’s 1914-18 Honor Board’ which has been recently restored. The local RSL President Noel Tucker, Baw Baw Shire Mayor Deb Brown and Gary Blackwood MP were in attendance. The Year 6 leaders participated in the ceremony with commitment and respect. Thanks to the whole school community for making the event so successful.

REMEMBRANCE DAY
Astrid Smith, Kirsty Wooster, Jamie Garten and Lachlan Axford represented Nilma PS at the Remembrance Day Service in Warragul next yesterday.

Annette Sutherland accompanied students to and from the Warragul Cenotaph. A service was also conducted at school coordinated by Year 6 leaders.

CONGRATULATIONS NILMA PRIMARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY
Today Year 6/5 watched a live broadcast of Parliament House. We viewed the live web streaming to listen to Gary Blackwood (Member for Narracan) use his Member Statement Time to recognise Nilma Primary School’s Re-education of the Honour Board, and reflect on the Monday’s service he attended at Nilma.

Mr Blackwood acknowledged students who took part in the service, congratulating students on their respectful and confidence. Gary acknowledged Mr Williams work with RSL President Mr Noel Tucker and Mr Ron Blair as well. If you get the opportunity we have the broadcast on screen in the office for parents to view. Nilma Primary School and the community will be recorded in history through the Hansard—Records of Parliament proceedings. Well done to all staff and students involved in the service. Team Effort!

FOUNDATION ORIENTATION
Today we welcomed our new Foundation students to Nilma Primary School. We currently have 7 Foundation students enrolled for 2016. Please make the new students welcome. Our next Foundation orientation day will be held on Wednesday 25th November 2015.

STAFF ILLNESS
This last week has been a busy week with staff succumbing to illnesses, from Mr Williams, Mrs Vagg Belinda last weekend, Mrs Evans having emergency surgery and myself with the dreaded gastro bug! Thank you to parents for your understanding. Whilst we attempted to secure consistent replacement teachers, sometimes this does not work in our favour, but situations like this can build resilience to change.
STUDENT LEARNING @ NILMA

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STUDENTS@NILMA

Student of the Week

Recognitions

Homegroup F Red

Harrison Jones
for having a go and persisting with your reading. You are patient and you work really hard. Keep it up Harrison!

Homegroup 2/1 Green

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

Homegroup 5/4/3 Blue

Kiara Perry
for being prepared to aim for your best and challenge yourself in all learning tasks throughout the year. Your positive attitude has set a fine example for your fellow students. Well done mate!

Homegroup 6/5 Yellow

Charlotte Brown
for demonstrating an eagerness and enthusiasm in Literacy Learning Teams. Your positive attitude towards your poetry writing has resulted in you producing work of a high standard.

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

75 Nights
Tari Booth Blake Hamner
100 Nights
Jai Williams
125 Nights
Jade Mammolito
150 Nights
Charlotte Goodchild
175 Nights
Alex Chesterfield
200 Nights
Lilli Parry Thomas Oliver Turner
225 Nights
Jesse McCabe Lewis Devlin
250 Nights
Ashlee Cooke
275 Nights
Nick Addison

PLAYGROUND AWARDS

Winners

No Playground awards this week!

Happy Birthday

Elizabeth Dalrymple
Tahlia Witney
Levi Booth
Shila Bundle
**HOMEGROUP HAPPENINGS!**

Poetry
Using the THRASS chart, students chose a picture/phoneme box and had to think of rhyming words to make a silly poem. They came up with some fantastic ideas, I am very proud of them!

I had a toy **rocket**, I put it in my pocket. It went into the sky very, very high.

**Harrison**

The **jam** fell in the dam. It had to get to swim fast to get to the other side, and hide. By Blake

I went for a run and felt the **sun**, I saw a **duck**, it gave me good luck. Miller

I saw a **shark** from the park. It chased a bee to the tree. Jai W

I had a purple **pony** and his name was Tony. We went on a ride and had to hide. Charlotte

There was an old fat **king**, he had a special ring. He liked to eat cake, he fell into the lake. Paige

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Quatrain Poems
It is Halloween,
I get lollies and treats,
I go to peoples houses,
I go home and I eat.

By Jade

Horses I like,
I love them and they run.
I ride on them,
And have lots of fun.

By Lilli

Transformers are cool,
They are fast,
There cars and trucks,
They go around corners in a blast.

By Levi

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On Friday 6 November we went to Healesville Sanctuary. We saw a lot of animals. My favourite was a wombat. The best part was the Birds of Prey. My other favourite bird was a cockatoo. By Ella

On 6/11/2015 we went to Healesville. It took an hour and a half to get there. When we arrived we rushed to the platypus show. The platypus show went on for twenty minutes. Then at 11:50 the it was the Birds of Prey. My favourite bird was the Black Breasted Buzzard. I also liked the Corroboree Frog which is endangered. In my group we also saw emus. My group manager was Mr Williams. It was a great day. Daniel Axford

Last Friday our grade went to Healesville. We saw a Corroboree Frog which I liked. It is endangered. My favourite part was watching the Birds of Prey. Kiara

On 6/11/15 we went to Healesville and I went to see the Emu to pat it. My favourite animal was the Wedge Tailed Eagle. We visited the dingoes and they were really cute. We also saw the Birds of Prey show. A cockatoo came up and it roared, it was funny. By Zavier

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Poetry by Charlotte Brown

A haiku poem is a poem that only contains three lines. The first line has to have 5 syllables, the second line has 7, and the third line has 5. To make sure I have done the right poem I count how many syllables there are in each line. Haiku poems are usually about nature. Before you start a Haiku poem you have to pick a theme.

School has just began
You get to play with your friends
Time to go to class.

Summer time is here
Lets have ice cream by the beach
We can play some games
HEALESVILLE EXCURSION

Last Friday Yellow and Blue home groups travelled to Healesville Wildlife Sanctuary. Despite a drizzly day, our excursion was a great success. Thanks to the parents who accompanied us and help make the day a success; Leanne Perry, Karen Santo, Katie Scanlon & Kerry Brown.
HONOR BOARD REDEDICATION
GOOD SHEPHERD PRIMARY SCHOOL
Ms Matarczyk’s yellow homegroup 6/5 will be attending an excursion to the Good Shepherd Primary School on Monday 23rd November. Permission forms are attached to the newsletter and must be returned by next Thursday 19th November 2015.

SLEEPOVER
On Thursday 26th November, the Year 2 students will be having a sleepover at the school. Miss Berkelmans and Mr Williams will be the teachers in charge of the evening. Students will go home at the normal time on Thursday and come back to school at 6.00pm. We will be having a range of activities during the evening and the next day. A BBQ evening meal will be provided along with breakfast on the Friday. After breakfast, the Year 2 students will be participating in some outdoor activities. This experience will provide students with a good introduction to the camping program for the next year. Permission forms are attached to the newsletter and must be returned by next Friday 19th November. There will be a cost of $10.00 per student for the sleepover.

BIKE EDUCATION
The Foundation, 1 & 2 students will be participating in Bike Education at Nilma PS on Monday 30th November until Friday 4th December and the Yr 3 & 4 students will be participating from Monday 7th December until Friday 11th December. Students can bring their bikes to school on the Monday and leave them at school until Friday. All students must bring a helmet. The students will have one session per day, and will learn all about bike safety and aspects of Bike Education.

BOOKCLUB
Attached to the newsletter are Bookclub orders. This is the final Bookclub for the year! Please ensure all orders with payment are sent back to the office by next Friday 19th November. Late orders cannot be accepted.

WOORABINDA CAMP
The Woorabinda Camp will be held from Monday 23rd until Friday 27th November 2015. The students attending this camp will be: Charlotte Brown, Mitchell Gilmore, Riley Kleeven, Daniel Axford, Bailey-Jack Christoph, Meg Devlin, Ashton Kimm, Aiden Olsson, Ella Perry, Kiara Perry & Kindsay Polglaze. Please ensure that all Application forms are sent back to the office by next Tuesday 17th. Students will be notified next week where the pick up point will be. Attached to the newsletter is the clothing list. Should you require any more information regarding this camp, please contact the office.

SUMMIT CAMP
The Year 6 students will be attending the Mt Worth Cluster Transition Day at the Summit Camp on Friday 27th November. Parents are to take students to the Summit Camp at Trafalgar East at 9.00am and pick up from the camp at 7.30pm. Children must bring lunch, snack and drink for the day. An evening meal will be provided. Students must also bring bathers, towel, hat and a change of clothes.

TOUGH MUDDER/WALKATHON FUNDRAISER
Year 6 leaders have been organising a school fundraiser. A fun muddy and wet course will be coordinated around the school grounds. Students will have a set time to complete as many laps as possible. The Tough Mudder will be held on Friday 20th November at the school. More information and parent helpers reply notice is attached on Page 9.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
The next School Council meeting will be held at the school on Tuesday 17th November at 6.00pm at the school.

TRANSITION DAYS—YR 7
Warragul Regional College 9.00am—11.00am—Friday 13th December 2015
Drouin Secondary College — Monday 16th November & Friday 11th December
St.Pauls Anglican Grammar School—Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd December.
Statewide Orientation Day - Tuesday 8th December 2015.

FOUNDATION ORIENTATION DAYS—NILMA PS
Foundation Orientation Days at Nilma PS will be held on Wednesday 25th November from 9.00am —11.00am, Monday 30th November from 9.00am—1.00pm & Tuesday 8th December 2015 from 9.00am—3.15pm.

‘TRADIE FOR A DAY’ EXCURSION
All Yr 6 students will be attending the ‘Tradie for a Day’ excursion on Wednesday 9th December. Students will be travelling to and from the Baw Baw Skills Centre by school bus. There is no cost to students for this day. This excursion will allow Year 6 students to see a range of training programs and facilities available to them in the future. Students will rotate through activity studies, such as carpentry, plumbing, automotive, agriculture and other programs. Students are to bring lunch, snack and drinks for the day. All children must wear correct uniform including hat.
**CHAPLAIN’S CHAT**

The thoughts for the following weeks come from Andrew Fuller ‘Creating Resilient Families’ (ACER 2004).
In his breakthrough research, it has been revealed that most teenagers think young people should be involved in helping out around the house. Taking care of yourself and your possessions is seen as promoting responsibility.
Girls are more likely than boys to see household jobs and chores as a way of contributing to the welfare of the family. Even more shocking are findings that most adolescents don’t favour payment for individual jobs, preferring a more generalised payment or pocket money. However they think that ‘big jobs’ should receive a special payment. Before you think that you’ve got it too easy, it is important to note that while 82% expect to have to do some chores around the house, 57% expect you to nag them about it (chuckle).
As parents of primary school aged children, the rough guide, is: **self-care** tasks such as making their bed, putting away toys, and basic cleaning of their rooms can begin around six or seven years of age. **Family care** tasks such as doing the dishes and sweeping should begin later, after age eight. Of course, if children express interest in helping out, it’s always best to include them as long as the task(s) can be done safely. How to you measure up on this one? Is it time to put something in place to strengthen their ‘resilience? Doing okay, are you? Great! Let’s see how you go next week.

Anne Prime

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**SPORTING SCHOOLS**

We have been able to source 2 activities for students to participate in as part of the Sporting Schools program for term 4.
Starting this week students are able to participate in either AFL on Tuesdays or Hockey on Thursdays. Both sessions will run after school on these days from 3.30pm to 4.30pm. The program will run for 5 weeks. Participants are capped at 20 per session, please return the form below to the office ASAP!

**AFL will run on Tuesdays - 10/11, 17/11, 24/11, 1/12 and 8/12. with coach Ben.**

**Hockey will run on Thursdays - 12/11, 19/11, 26/11, 3/12 and 10/12. with coach Sam.**

Students will need to wear appropriate footwear and bring a healthy snack to eat before the sessions begin.
A reminder to parents that students must be signed out from the undercover area at the end of each session. Please advise the school if someone other that a parents or guardian will be collecting your child.

Participants are;

**AFL** - Nick Addison, Olivia Addison, Thomas Buckler, Miller Bundle, Shila Bundle, Piper Bundle, Lewis Devlin, Jessie McCabe, Deakin Santo, Blake Hanmer, Mitchell Gilmore, Levi Booth, Mia Wood


HOCKEY IS NOW FULL ON THURSDAY NIGHTS. There are still places available on Tuesday nights.
Dear Parents

Year 6 leaders at Nilma have organized for our annual 'Tough Mudder' and Walk to be held on Friday 20th November.

By sponsoring your child either per lap or overall, you will be helping us raise money for our new Sports Equipment.

Students will be placed into groups according to their year levels and given allocated time to complete the course as many times and as fast or slow as they like!

Students have already brought home a Tough Mudder Sponsorship Form, you can ask your family and friends to sponsor you. Forms are to be brought back on Thursday 19th November so lap tallies can be added to the forms to be sent home again on Monday 23rd. Money raised is then due back on Wednesday 2nd December.

Parents are welcome to come along and join in the fun on the day and have a go at being a 'Tough Mudder' or just come along to watch and support the students.

Organisation on the day (approx. times)
1.10pm – Years 3, 2, 1 and F start (20 minutes)
1.40pm – Years 6, 5, 4 and Parents/Teachers start (40 minutes)

Participants will need to bring a change of old clothes (including underwear!), a pair of old closed toe shoes (no thongs or sandals) and a towel or 2!

Some of the obstacles in the Tough Mudder course will include: a Slime station, Commando mud crawl, Waterslide, Hay bale climb, Tyre roll and Army crawl. Activities will be adjusted to suit each year level.

To set up the course we will need lots of help and support! Year 6 leaders are after:

- a Blow Up Pool
- Tyres of all sizes (must be safe to roll and jump over)
- Hoses
- Buckets
- Tarp/s
- Square Hay Bales
- Foam Mats

We would also like some parents to volunteer to help at each station, you might get wet or muddy but it will be great fun!

Thanks

Year 6 Leaders; Sine, Shelby, Lachlan, Angus and Meg.

Name of Parent: ______________________________________________________

I can help at the Tough Mudder on Friday 20th November from 1.00pm—3.00pm.

Signed by Parent: ____________________________ Date: ___________________
Congratulations to Nilma PS for winning a Prize Pack from the Commonwealth Bank, school banking program. Each week numerous children from our school participate in the School Banking Program. If you wish to use this program, please contact Belinda at the office. Well done to our students for your great effort with the School Banking Program this year. The prize winning books are available to borrow from our school library.

Veronica Howarth
Head of School Banking and Youth
CommBank
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