NEW BUILDING/OFFICE
On Monday 17th December from 12.00pm onwards the office will be closed while the entrance will have new vinyl laid. For office enquiries please go to the multi-purpose room (Art, staffroom, music room). If you have items for the raffle please drop items into the multi-purpose room.

STUDENT REPORTS
Reports will be distributed next Tuesday—please do not hesitate to request a parent teacher discussion if needed.

NOTICE REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF WORK BANS THAT MAY IMPACT THE PRESENTATION OF THE ACADEMIC REPORT
Currently Nilma has a number of staff participating in work bans, under protected action, as part of ongoing disputes regarding the development of a new workplace agreement. The result of this action is that parts of this report may be missing written comments.

Whilst the staff see the action as regrettable it is important that communities understand that we need to respect the personal philosophy and legal rights of individual teachers who have contributed to the report, whatever the choice they are making. Please be respectful of the action taken by individual staff. Any concerns relating to this issue should be addressed to me please.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION EVENING AND FAMILY BBQ
6.00pm TUESDAY 18th December
The evening will commence with the BBQ—at approximately 6.15pm students will entertain the community with a number of instrumental pieces and songs. The major focus for the evening will be the Year 6 Graduation followed by Parent Club thanking parents and families leaving as well as staff—draw the raffle. For catering purposes, please return the attendance slip on page 4 by Monday 17th December.

THANK YOU TO PARENT CLUB FROM STAFF
On behalf of the staff I would like to thank the parent club for providing such a wonderful Morning Tea this morning. This was a fantastic gesture and I know we all do sincerely appreciate the effort and thoughts from the parent body.
R.E.A.L STUDENTS @ NILMA

Student of the Week

Recognitions

Homegroup 1 / Prep
The whole grade
For being such a great grade to teach during Term 4.

Homegroup 3/2
Kirsty Wooster
For the fantastic effort she put into preparing her oral presentation at home, while she was sick! Well done!!!

Homegroup 4/3
Jack Chesterfield and Kylie Griggs
For being prepared to challenge themselves in all aspects of their learning this year and being outstanding role models for the students in Grade 4/3W in 2012.

Homegroup 6/5
Ryan Young
For having a fantastic attitude towards his work and doing a great job in mathematics.

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

Recognition certificates

150 Nights
Emma Crook   James Dungey

175 Nights
Jack Hall

200 Nights
Olivia Quinn

250 Nights
Savanna Maunder
Jessica Gilbertson

300 Nights
Dominick Johnstone-Witney

Commonwealth Bank
School Banking Program

If students would like to participate in the School Banking program in 2013 they will need to open an account with the Commonwealth Bank. You can do this at the Warragul Branch. This can be done over the school holidays ready to start next year. More information about the program will be available next year.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL

Our new Active After School Supervisor for 2013 will be Ryan Witty. Ryan will be taking over the role from Belinda Smythe. Thank you to Belinda for being the Active After School Co-ordinator for 2012.

Warragul BMX Club
Parents can ‘Like us’ on Facebook for latest information. Training on Wednesday nights during daylight savings, starting from February. Racing is usually on the second Sunday of the month, dates to be announced. Contact Shaun on 0400407112 for more information.
Yesterday I went on a treasure Hunt with Jack M. We had to guess the words. by Rieley.

Yesterday we went to Grade 2 with Miss Closter. We made Christmas Trees and Christmas place mats. By Lane.

Today we made sushi in Japanese. We used carrot, cucumber, rice and sea weed. It tasted good. By Meg

We are doing Christmas things, candy cane and decorating the tree. By Holly

Monday Mrs. Uren came to our class with William. He has grown a lot. By Sheree

We made sushi today with Arisa and Ayaka. We used sea weed, rice, cucumber and carrot to make the sushi. By Ashton

Today it is my birthday and I got Chicago Bulls top and shorts. By Daniel

Yesterday, I was in Grade 1. by Emma

We sang “Let It Go” to Ms Sutherland in the office. By Matilda.

On Monday I am going to the Philippines for a holiday with my family. We are leaving at midnight. I’m going to meet my Mum’s parents for the first time. I’m excited to go on a plane for the first time. I am going to keep a journal and write about all the things we do! By Rose-Ann Scott

On Christmas Day I am going to my Uncle and Aunties house for Christmas lunch. We might be staying the night. I hope there will be chocolate cake. By Astrid Smith

After Boxing Day, we are going camping at Glencrommie. I like to ride my bike there and go swimming. Sometimes we get to toast marshmallows. We will stay there for one week. We will there before our Grandma, Poppy and Aunty Bev. By Kiara Perry

This week all 3/2W students have given their oral presentation. It was fantastic to see all the students challenge themselves to overcome their nervousness and ‘Have A Go’!! Students are now using their marking rubric to indentify areas that they can improve in and they are now revising their

On Wednesday Arisa came with her friend and we made sushi with her friend but I did not have any. Arisa gave us chop sticks that were from Mrs Sutherland when she was in Japan. By Kylie Griggs

On Wednesday the 12th of December Arisa and her friend came to Nilma to make sushi with the school and I absolutely love sushi. It took ten minutes or so to tell us how to make it because we didn’t have a bamboo roll. After that all the kids were starting to make the sushi. Mine had carrot, rice and tuna. By Patrick Smythe

Dwight Howard was born on 8th of December 1985 and is a American basketball player. He now plays for the Los Angeles Lakers but did play for the Orlando magic for eight years for the National basketball association (NBA).

Dwight Howard usually plays in centre but can also play power forward. Howard had a outstanding high school career at southwest Atlanta Christian academy. He chose to go to forgo college the then entered in the 2004 NBA draft, and was selected first overall by the Orlando magic.

Howard is a six time All-star, six time all NBA team selection, five time defensive member and three time defensive player of the year, Howard has been ranked constantly the best in the league. He led the magic to three division titles. He was the winner of the 2008 NBA slam dunk contest doing super man.

In 2008 Olympics, he was the starting centre for the USA team which went on to win the gold medal. Howard was traded to the la Lakers in 2012.

Dwight Howard. Dwight weighs 120kg and is 6ft 11.

By Ryan Young

On Wednesday Arisa and her friend made sushi and we did too! First we had to get the seaweed then we had to put rice on it then the vegies then tuna. When we ate it I dipped it in soy sauce, it was yum! She also gave us chopsticks as a souvenir from Mrs Sutherland when she was in Japan. By Jack MGrath

On Christmas Day I am going to my Uncle and Aunties house for Christmas lunch. We might be staying the night. I hope there will be chocolate cake. By Astrid Smith
**GARDENING/ ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**

**Grade 1/P**
Today I raked in the magic forest with Kiandra and Teagan. By Rieley
I designed a baby tyre dragon By Arawn.
I designed a wishing well. By Meg

**Grade 3/2**
It was exciting because we are nearly finished the dragon head. Bailey D.
We moved the sand for the dragon head. By Olivia
We got to dig the hole for the dragon head. Annwn, Ella, Mitch, Tahlia
I designed a wishing well. By Rose-Ann.
I designed a slide. By Astrid
We learnt how to fix the wheelbarrow By Jamie and Kael  We got drenched
watering. By Sine, Holly, Kirsty

**Grade 4/3**
We got to pick all the vegetables and organised the vegetable store.
We helped concrete the water dragon, watered the garden and planted out
new onions and spring onions.

**Grade 6/5**
Today in gardening we were mixing the concrete and people were
finishing the dragon. It was funny.
We all had to dig holes to make sure the dragon was going to stick in the
hole.
Olivia and Mckayla were doing an amazing job of taking photos.
At first we had to get more water or less.
We learnt how to mix concrete and use rapid set concrete.
The gloves were not much help. Jess and Savanna got holes in their gloves.
Jack and Ryan were working well with the cement By Jasmin

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**Year 6 GRADUATION & END OF YEAR BBQ**

End of Year BBQ and Graduation 6.00pm Tuesday 18th December
at Nilma Primary School

For catering purposes, please return the slip below by
Monday 17th December 2012.

Family Name:____________________________________

How many attending:______________________________

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STUDENT LEARNING

MATHLETICS SUCCESS
During 2012 75 students from Nilma Primary School used Mathletics to support learning in Mathematics. Scores of each student were recorded at first use and measured against subsequent scores achieved after completing the same activity.

Congratulations
Three top Concept Masters at Nilma were
Carolyn Dungey
Megan Griggs
Jack McGrath

Parents—Holiday time activities!!!
Study Ladder has been used at school to support some of the Mathematics programs.
Students already have access to this and can have free limited access from home!
Mathletics and Reading Eggs—will also be available to students.
Google and find the family free trial too!

Studyladder
Dear Parent,

What is Studyladder?
Studyladder is an online educational resource that our school has been using. Your child can access a free version provided by Studyladder. It is not compulsory for your child to use Studyladder at home, however regular access will help your child to reinforce what they have learnt at school.

End of term access
At the end of this term all students will continue to have free limited access to Studyladder from home. Students can still use their school usernames and passwords during the holidays. Studyladder is providing all families with unlimited access to the Health and Safety section.

Health and Safety Resources
Studyladder’s new Health & Safety Resources are now available on an unrestricted basis to all students worldwide. We recommend that all parents encourage their children to complete these activities.
- Calling Emergency Services
- Road Safety
- Water and Sun Safety
- Internet Safety
- Fire Safety
- Bike Safety
- Bullying & Respecting Others
- Medicine Safety
- Cooking Safety
- Safety Around the House

Need Help?
If for any reason your child is unable to log in studyladder, parents can open a new free account to access the same activities used at school.

For further help or information please contact support@studyladder.com.au

Studyladder is accessible online at www.studyladder.com.au

WRC—Youth Leaders against Bullying
Youth Leaders Against Bullying Team.
Youth Leaders against bullying are an initiative developed by Warragul Regional Colleges Chaplain Lee Tilley and Careers Counsellor Sarah Taylor with a group of year eight students. It’s a result of the year eight anti-bullying program run by the Chaplain and School Nurse Rosemary Vary earlier in the year.
The Youth leadership team was selected from the year eights to further develop this program to take to primary schools in the Warragul community. The aim of the program is to raise awareness of the issue of bullying in our society with the purpose of educating and supporting one another to deal with it appropriately. It is presented in a forum format where the year eight students have interactive discussions with the primary school students. They do this by sharing their experiences and talking with the primary school students about ways they can deal effectively with bullying and build their resilience and skills in dealing with conflict.

Warragul Regional College.
Chaplain: Lee Tilley.
DECember 2012

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TERM DATES FOR 2013

Term 1: 29th January to 28th March
Term 2: 15th April to 28th June
Term 3: 15th July to 20th September
Term 4: 7th October to 20th December