

Newsletter #4 28th of March 2024





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#### Kirsti Farr - Acting Principal



It is hard to believe that we are now at the end of Term One. It has been a very busy term with athletics, Naplan, golf, the Questacon incursion, visits from Angela from 'Kids Eat Well' and everything involved in settling the students back for 2024.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support and patience whilst I found my way around the office in my role as Acting Principal. I love working with all of the students and have enjoyed the many learning opportunities that my role as Acting Principal entailed. I look forward to working with you again in Term 2 as Ms Sutherland has extended her leave.

I wish everyone a safe and happy break over the school holidays. Hopefully the sun will continue to shine and you will be able to enjoy time together with your family.

#### **Professional Practice Day**

A Professional Practice Day for Term 2, will be held on Friday **7th June.** Students will not be required to attend school on this day. Staff at Nilma Primary School will take in Professional Learning on this day. The focus for this day will be Building Mathematical understanding and Practices through the use of the Inclusive practices Continua.

#### **Blue and Yellow Homegroups**

Due to larger numbers in the Blue Homegroup, we have decided that Yellow and Blue Homegroups will change classrooms starting at the beginning of Term 2. This change will enable Blue to set up a more collaborative classroom with the flexibility of moving tables and learning spaces. They will also be able to participate in floor activities. Students have been made aware of this decision to ensure a smooth start to Term 2.

Today we farewell our wonderful Education Support Staff member Kristen. We thank Kristen for her enthusiasm and continued support of our students at Nilma and wish her all the very best for her future endeavours.

#### **Somers Camp**

Somers Camp is a nine day outdoor education program at Somers School camp from 16/04/2024 to 24/04/2024 that has been offered to students in Years five and six. This year we have eight students from Yellow Homegroup attending. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to experience activities such as Boating, Archery, Drama, Art, Environmental Studies, Bushcraft, Orienteering, Rope Courses, Rock Climbing, Abseiling, Flying Fox and Challenge Swing.

Students from Nilma and other local schools will be picked up from our carpark at 9:45 am on Tuesday 16th April. We ask that all parents have their cars out of the school carpark by 9:30 am on this day. Students will return to Nilma on Wednesday 24th April at 11:15 am.

#### **ICY POLES**

Icy poles will not be sold in Terms 2 and 3. All money that is in credit will be held till Term 4.

#### **ANZAC Day - April 25th**

We would like to welcome our school community to attend the ANZAC Day Morning Commemorative Service on April 25th April at the Warragul Cenotaph. Families can meet staff at 9:30 am at the Woolworths car park near the corner of Victoria Street and Palmerston Street (opposite Frankie's). All students will need to be in full school uniform. Year 6 leaders will be invited to lay a wreath at the foot of the cenotaph on behalf of Nilma PS.



Nilma Primary School acknowledges the traditional custodians of the lands on which we work and learn, the Gunai Kurnai Nation. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and

emerging.











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#### **WGRSSA District Sports**

Last Friday we had 13 students compete in the District Athletics Carnival at the Geoff Watt track in Warragul. All students competed to the best of their ability and continually demonstrated the values of resilience, cooperation and sportsmanship.

Congratulations and special mention to:

Ted - 1st in Under 9/10 100m and 200m, 2nd in Hurdles and Long Jump

Lahna - 1st in 11 Years Hurdles, 3rd in Hurdles and Triple Jump

Ada - 4th in 11 Year 100m

Ellie - 3rd in 12/13 Shot Putt

Tori - 1st in 12/13 200m, 2nd in Hurdles and 3rd in 100m

Hannah - 3rd in 12/13 Long Jump and 200m

Zach - 3rd in 12/13 Shot Putt

Nate - 3rd in the 12/13 100m and Hurdles, 2nd in 800m

Students will now be selected for the Division Athletics on April 30th in Newborough.





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## Red Homegroup

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

**Mrs Brown** 

During our literacy sessions, Red Homegroup students have be working hard as they learn to read and write words with our 8 focus graphemes/





You have received Learner of the Week for displaying the qualities of a REAL Learner. You showed **persistence** and remained **focused** on learning tasks during our phonics lessons.

Term 1 – Week 8

#### Willow



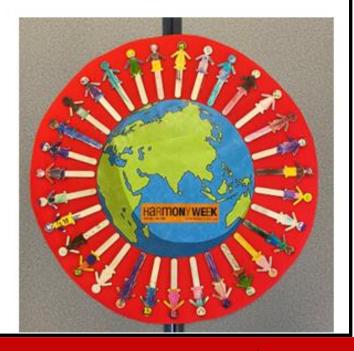
You have received Learner of the Week for displaying the qualities of a REAL Learner. You are a **reliable** member of the class, meeting expectations, you can be **depended** upon to complete set tasks and roles.

phonemes. Students enjoy counting the sounds in the words and then discussing the first, middle and last sound in each word before writing the words on their whiteboard. It has been fantastic to see the students' improvement in this area as the term has progressed. During The Resilience Project sessions we have been learning about the 3 tricks to happiness GEM—gratitude, empathy and mindfulness. This week our lesson focused on what it means to be a great friend. We had some excellent discussions around what being a great friend looks like. We also enjoyed creating a classroom display for Harmony Day after reading the book 'Whoever you are" by Mem Fox. Well done to all Red Homegroup students for a fantastic Term 1, we look forward to continuing our wonderful learning when students return to school in Term 2. We hope everyone has a wonderful holiday break!











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## Green Homegroup LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Miss De Jong

Green Home Group has been working hard this term.

We have continued to grow in our understanding of place value, students have especially enjoyed

Term 1– Week 7

Tye



You have received Learner of the Week for displaying the qualities of a REAL Learner, You demonstrate the ability to work cooperatively as part of a group.

Term 1- Week 8

Lacey



You have received Learner of the Week for displaying the qualities of a REAL Learner. You have been challenging yourself by setting goals and working hard to achieve them.

practicing their partitioning of multi-digit numbers.

We have had a great time this term developing our knowledge of narrative structures, creating

various stories with interesting characters, settings, problems and solutions.

Make sure to ask your child about the story they've been working on!









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Miss Gardiner

Last week,
students in
Blue
Homegroup
learnt about
the meaning of
Harmony
Week. Students

# Blue Homegroup

#### LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

Term 1– Week 7

Bobby



You have received Learner of the Week for displaying the qualities of a REAL Learner. You have shown resilience and self-control when presented with challenges. Well done on persevering and continuing to meet the challenge.

Term 1- Week 8

Darcee

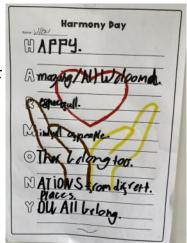


You have received Learner of the Week for displaying the qualities of a REAL Learner. You consistently show kindness to others and are both tolerant and compassionate.

learnt that Harmony week is a celebration of cultural diversity; a day of cultural respect to everyone who calls Australia home. Students created some artwork and poetry about Harmony day which has been displayed in the open learning area. Check out their awesome work!

Blue Homegroup would like to wish everyone a happy and safe easter break and school holidays, and we look forward to more fun and learning in Term 2!





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# LEARNERS OF THE WEEK



**Miss Morrison** 







You have received Learner of the Week for displaying the qualities of a REAL Learner. You approach everything with a positive disposition and proudly represent the school in Athletics.

Term 1 – Week 8

#### Ada



You have received Learner of the Week for displaying the qualities of a REAL Learner. You take on new challenges with a positive approach, ready to extend your learning.

Yellow homegroup students have been engaged in an exciting four-week journey exploring the skills necessary to play golf. Students have honed their skills in chipping, putting, and executing long drives with a golf ball.

The conclusion of their learning experience was the chance to set up a mini-golf course. This hands-on approach allowed students to apply their newfound skills in a fun and interactive setting, fostering a deeper understanding and appreciation for the sport.











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## Congratulations on your Reading Nights!

## NIGHTLY READING

25 Nights 50 Nights 75 Nights

Ethan, Willow, Harrison,
Kyle Ruby W

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Lacey, Eddie, Riley, Hudson, Jase

Tye

## NIGHTLY READING

25 Nights 50 Nights 75 Nights

Annie Kelly Jai Walker

## NIGHTLY READING

25 Nights 50 Nights 75 Nights

Ellie Lahna

Zach



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## **OFFICE NEWS**

Mon, Tue and Thu 8.30—4pm

#### **SENTRAL**

You will notice that you are now able to consent for school events online through Sentral. We aim to move away from printing permission forms. If you have difficulties with this process or navigating the Sentral App, please do not hesitate to contact the office. Please use Sentral to record any absences for your child/children.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday over the Easter Break.



## **Happy Birthday**

Bobby B, Aydin, Noah B, Noah M, Erika, Ruby S, Kyle, Saxon, Nate, Mrs Uren, Jess, & Mrs Hodge



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## COMMUNITY NEWS



Make your own healthy hummus and pile into mini plant pots for a cute snack for kids. Children will love it, and they can dunk in carrots and other vegies https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/rec ipes/veg-patch-hummus



Easter Holidays can be a time for lots of treats - here are a few healthier options that the children will love



We hope all students and staff have a wonderful Easter Holiday

**Happy Easter** 

Create fun creatures with simple and healthy boiled eggs for little children this Easter. They'll love helping you make an edible spring scene and enjoy one of their five a day at the same time https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/easter-boiled-eggs

Everybody loves melted chocolate, and kids will love dunking berries, melon, grapes or any of their favourite fruits into it. You could even melt leftover Easter eggs, if you have them!

https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/r ecipes/fruity-fondue



West Gippsland Healthcare Group -Health Promotion Team



# ELLINBANK FARMERS AND PRODUCERS EASTER MARKET

EGG HUNTS | GAMES | FOOD

Easter Saturday | 30th March 8.30am until 12.30pm.

Big raffle with 3 ute/ trailer loads of firewood as separate prizes.

BBQ | CAKE STALL | SPECIALTY BAKERS
CFA | HOT CROSS BUNS | MUCH MORE

THE ELLINBANK PUBLIC HALL, 10 Community Place, Ellinbank

Free Easter
basket
making from
gam

THE ELLINBANK QUBLIG HALL 10 Community Place, Elllinbank

Gold coin
donation
Easter egg
hunt from 11am
for 3 different
age groups

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## What's On a Nilma!

#### MARCH

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
25	26	27	28	
Breakfast Club	Gecko Golf Clinic 3-6	Breakfast Club	MARC	
	School Lunch Orders		End of term	
			2:30pm Finish	

#### SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

### 29th March-14th April

#### **APRIL**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
15	16	17	18	19
Start of Term 2	School Lunch Orders	Breakfast Club	MARC	Assembly
Breakfast Club	SOMMERS CAMPS	SOMMERS CAMPS	SOMMERS CAMPS	SOMMERS CAMPS
			Newsletter	
22	23	24	25	26
Breakfast Club	<b>School Lunch Orders</b>	Breakfast Club	ANZAC Day	
SOMMERS CAMPS	SOMMERS CAMPS	SOMMERS CAMPS	Public Holiday	
	Warragul Regional			
	College Transition Day			
29	30			
Breakfast Club	School Lunch Order			
	District Sports Day			

#### MAY

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	3
		Breakfast Club	MARC	Assembly
6	7	8	9	10
Breakfast Club	School Lunch Orders	Breakfast Club	MARC	