STAYING SAFE ONLINE

Our school works hard to keep our students safe by teaching them how to be cyber smart. Recently, it has come to our attention that some of the students have been using the iPad app *Musically*. The app allows students to make music videos that they can share online. The app also allows for other people to request to make videos with other users regardless of location or age. The fact that the application allows users to do this is of some concern. We ask that you have a conversation with your children about this and check they are using Apps like *Musically*, *Minecraft* etc. appropriately. Friend requests for any Apps and online social media forums should be monitored by parents and investigated.

It is important to be talking with your children about internet use, appropriate iPad Apps and accessing information online. Technology and the internet are powerful learning tools and very much part of our day to day life. It is also something we will continue to learn about together as things continue to develop and change. Thanks for your support with this. If you have any questions please give me a call.

This iParent resource website is a great place to start and get ideas to support your children in staying safe online. Click here https://www.esafety.gov.au/education-resources/iparent

Quote from iParent: *Let’s face it, the internet is an integral part of young people’s lives. Used responsibly, the online environment is a great place for our children to socialise and maintain friendships, be entertained, download and watch music and movies, play games, to search for information and to learn. The ever changing nature of the internet can pose challenges for parents who wish to keep on top of their children’s technology use. While children might seem to be tech savvy, they still need a parent’s guiding hand to help make sure their online experience is positive and safe.*

WELCOME

We welcome Ms Tayla McKenzie a 4th year, Teacher Education student who is working in the Prep/1 classroom. It is always great to have pre service students working and learning with staff at our school. This is a great chance to further strengthen our partnerships with Deakin University Warrnambool and to showcase what a fantastic school we have. I’m sure Tayla will learn a lot from our staff during her time here.
ENROLMENT STEPS for Preps starting school in 2017
Please read page 3 of the newsletter for details. Enrolment packs are available in the office and have been sent home with siblings. We welcome prospective families to call and arrange individual tours of our school anytime. Please note that Friday July 29th is important because it is the due date for Enrolment Applications through the normal process so we plan for our transition program for Preps starting school in 2017.

WORD ON THE STREET
There are still pockets of Winslow and Mailors Flat where families new to the area may not know about our school and the amazing educational opportunities we offer. If you know of people in your area with school age children, please encourage them to visit the school and see for themselves what our school has to offer. We have a proud tradition of servicing families from Mailors Flat, Koroit, Warrnambool and Winslow right through to Caramut. We have school bus runs which as a school council we have worked hard to maintain for families in the area. With our new school and a reputation for quality education in the community, we are looking to encourage more families in the local area to choose our school for their child’s education. Please encourage families to contact us for a visit anytime. Our updated Prospectus and Information packs are in the office if families wish to pass these on.

Mr Perry
Follow Us on Twitter @woolsthorpeps
Facebook W- http://woolsthorpeps.global2.vic.edu.au

SCHOOL

WORKING BEE

SUNDAY 5TH JUNE
10am (Time to be confirmed)

Hello Families

Just before the wet weather is fully upon us we would like to have a Working Bee to get some mulch spread and some basic gardening and maintenance done around the school. Please make a note of the date and we will publish a more detailed list of jobs to be done as the time draws closer.

If as many families as possible can find a bit of time to help out all the jobs will be completed quickly and efficiently.

Many Hands Make Light Work!

CONGRATULATIONS

Peta, Dougal, Lachie V, Laura, Dakota, Charlotte, Jacobi, Trey, Nash and Breanna

Peta, Dougal and Lachie will be moving on to the next round of Cross Country.

We are so proud of all our students who displayed all of our trademark values in the way they conducted themselves while representing Woolsthorpe.

Thank you Mrs Cumming for your time and organisation - it is very much appreciated.

Check out more great photos on Mrs C’s Twitter Feed!

WILLOW DANDRIDGE
27TH MAY

CALLUM MOFFITT
28TH MAY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
ENROLMENT DATES IN 2016 FOR THE PREP STUDENTS OF 2017

We welcome parents to call and arrange individual tours of our school anytime. Come and see our Preps in action and see for yourself why our school is special and unique. Find out why and how we personalise learning for every child.

These are the steps for enrolment and transition at Woolsthorpe Primary School and important dates.

Monday 16th – 20th May
Education Week all prospective families welcome: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Open Mornings

Monday 18th – 22nd July
Enrolment Week

Friday 29th July
Last day for lodgement of Enrolment Applications in order to plan for Prep transition

Friday 12th August
Letters of Enrolment and term 4 transition days information sent to all families with Preps starting in 2017

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FOLLOW US

Our school provides a unique and dynamic learning experience for its learners. We have a history and culture of high expectations, parent involvement and academic excellence. It is our intention to promote our trademark values of Respect, Excellence, Care and Teamwork. Our school is recognised by the local community for its safe and caring environment. We work with families closely to support and build strong relationships.

Our new school was built in 2013. It has the latest up to date technology and learning spaces, where teachers work in collaborative teams to personalise learning for all students. iPad technology is embedded into all areas of learning and is strategically used to support learning. All students and staff have iPads to support our learning culture.

Happy Students Happy Parents Happy Staff

Enrolments

For new families thinking about enrolling book a personalised tour anytime
(03) 55692241
Email- woolsthorpe.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Website- http://woolsthorpeps.global2.vic.edu.au
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It's the most important meal of the day – but one in four children in Australia skips breakfast. At school, a hungry child can lose concentration in class, have no energy for playtime and snack on unhealthy foods, such as chips or biscuits. A calm and healthy breakfast every day is the best defence against this happening. It also helps children to get into good habits that they can carry through life.

Hungry Kids

It's important to ensure your little ones enjoy a healthy, nutritious lunch and snacks throughout the school day to help them focus and learn and to maintain their energy.

Colds

As the weather becomes colder and we stay indoors more, people often catch colds or other viruses. The cold and flu season can begin as early as October and usually ends sometime in April. While there is no way to cure the common cold or the flu, healthy eating during cold and flu season can help you avoid getting sick.

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Kindergarten & School Readiness
Information Session

IS YOUR CHILD READY?
This information session is to assist parents with the big decision of whether to enrol their child into kinder or school. Preschool Field Officers and staff from the Flying Start Program & Warrnambool and District Network of Schools will provide information to assist and guide families to make these decisions.

Venue:
Comm. Dev. Meeting Room
Archie Graham Centre
118 Timor St, Warrnambool

Date:
Wednesday 15th June 2016

Time:
5:30pm – 6:30pm

RSVP:
City Assist 5559 4800 by Friday 10th June 2016

Presented by:
Warrnambool City Council Pre-school Field Officers & Flying Start Program and Warrnambool & District Network of Schools representatives

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**Tuning in to Teens**
Emotionally Intelligent Parenting

A six-session program for parents of adolescents.

Would you like to learn how to:
- be better at talking with your teen?
- be better at understanding your teen?
- help your teen learn to manage their emotions?
- help to prevent behaviour problems in your teen?
- teach your teen to deal with conflict?

*Tuning in to Teens* shows you how to help your teen develop emotional intelligence.

Adolescents with higher emotional intelligence:
- are more aware, assertive and strong in situations of peer pressure
- have greater success with making friends and are more able to manage conflict with peers
- are more able to cope when upset or angry
- have fewer mental health and substance abuse difficulties
- have more stable and satisfying relationships as adults.

*Where:* Community & Youth Complex 210 Timor St Warrnambool

*When:* Tuesdays 1-3pm, commencing 7 June

*Cost:* $70 or $30 concession

*Contact:* Sharon Lenehan on slenehan@brophy.org.au or 1300 276 749 to register or for further info.

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**FRIDAY**

Gather Share Give

Come along and be part of Australia's Biggest Morning Tea!