4th September, 2014

Important Dates To Remember....

Friday 12th September   School Disco
Wednesday 17th September  Parent/Teacher Conference Day - PUPIL FREE DAY
Friday 19th September   Footy Day/Last Day of Term 3 - 2.30pm Finish
Monday 6th October   Term 4 starts

HEAT UP ROSTER TERM 3/4
HELP REQUIRED PLEASE!!

Thursdays, 12.30-1.00 pm
in the Multi Purpose Room

DATES
September 11th      SWIMMING
September 18th      VACANT
October 9th         VACANT
October 16th        VACANT

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU....
MISS FRYER    SEPTEMBER 9TH

With Deepest Sympathy

We would like to extend our sincere condolences to Angela, Noel and Linda Roache and family on the sad passing of Bernie.

Please know that the thoughts of the school community are with you at this difficult time.

DON'T FORGET SWIMMING TOMORROW!

Students need to be at school before the bell as they are swimming between 9.30-11.30.

Remember: Bathers
Dry Towel
Spare Underwear
Goggles
Extra Snacks

If you have any items you wish to have in the Newsletter, please send them through to:
ireland.susan.s1@edumail.vic.gov.au
before 1pm Wednesdays or contact Suzi at school.
SWIMMING
Our swimming program has started superbly this week, thanks to Mr Miller’s organisation. It is great to see students for the first time in some cases enter the water and develop a lot of confidence in their abilities to swim and be safe in the water. The smiles on all the students’ faces tell the story! While students are tired and worn out, the learning’s from the swimming program will be important life skills they can use forever. Swimming (Sport) is a great example of our learner traits in action and the importance of developing these skills.

MR BOYD
The first 2 weeks of Term 4 Mr Boyd will be on Long Service Leave off somewhere warm and sunny. Mrs Christina White will be in the Grade 2/3 class during this time. Mrs White knows the students really well and has worked in all grades at our school during the year as a relief teacher.

PREP TRANSITION
Our Prep Transition Program starts in Term 4 with families receiving letters and information over the coming days. The program is about students making a smooth transition into primary school as they begin their learning journey at Woolsthorpe Primary School. As I have said in the past, when we enrol students we enrol the whole family. Our school is about supporting a learning journey for parents and students, and we look forward to seeing new families involved in the many school community activities.

LAST DAY OF TERM DRESS IN YOUR FOOTY COLOURS
On the last day of term we are having a footy colours day and nibble pies for lunch thanks to our wonderful PFA. Students will be doing football activities and having some fun getting ready for the footy finals. Reminder - school finishes at 2.30pm on the last day of term.

CAMP PROGRAM FINAL COSTINGS
Our PFA this year have agreed to subsidise the Grade 2/3 & Grade 4/5/6 camps. We thank them for their support, which will help all families of our school. This does not happen in any other school and we should be very thankful for such a wonderful PFA team.

Grade 4/5/6 Camp
Roses Gap November 17, 18, 19
Total Camp Cost $300 with $40 PFA Subsidy = $260 per student

Grade 2/3 Camp
Warrnambool November 6 & 7
Total Camp Cost $80 with $20 PFA Subsidy = $60 per student

*As in past years we are happy for parents to start making small payments for camps. We’ve found this makes paying for camps much easier. Charges for camps will appear on invoices.

REMINDERS

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES
Parent/Teacher Conference day is Wednesday September 17th from 1pm – 7pm, which is a Pupil Free Day at school. Appointment times are being finalised and will be sent home Monday.

iPAD MAINTANCE
Can I please remind students in Years 3-6 about the importance of looking after their iPad by keeping it clean and updated? All students must have their iPad charged and at school every day. Broken iPad screens need to be fixed please. I will be doing a check of all iPads over the coming weeks and asking students to delete old content.
FRIDAY 12th SEPTEMBER
7.00 - 8.30 pm
Come dressed as a SUPER HERO or your FAVOURITE CHARACTER
Come along, dance, laugh & have fun!

WE NEED PARENTS TO SUPERVISE AND HELP SERVE SUPPER.
Call or text Tracey 0400 508 188 or leave your name at the office.

Mr Perry has challenged all staff members to do the Ice Bucket Challenge at Assembly this Friday 4th. (A couple of us are doing it for a 2nd time!)

The Ice Bucket Challenge (which has gone world-wide) was started to raise awareness of ALS (or Motor Neurone Disease as we call it in Australia) and to raise much-needed funds for research into a cure for this debilitating disease.

We ask that all students please bring a Gold Coin Donation on Friday and enjoy watching the teachers get doused with icy water! Of course Parents are welcome to come and watch too - be here by 3.10pm!

COMING SOON TO OUR GARDEN BEDS...
Brand New Scarecrows! Miss Cameron and the Gr. 5/6’s have been busy creating scarecrows and they are nearly ready. Thanks to everyone who donated their clothing etc and a HUGE thanks to Nicole and Scott Fulton and Giselle and Jock O’Keefe for donating the bales of straw which will bring our scarecrows to life! Much appreciated!

Well done to Nash Cuzens who answered the Reading Corner questions last week.

Thanks Nash for sharing your favourite book, and what you’re reading at the moment! Suzi
CARAMUT GARDEN CLUB NOTES

Having home-grown tomatoes ready for Christmas has long been a traditional aim of keen tomato growers but, if you like growing your tomatoes from seed, you’ll need to get started as soon as possible. Tomatoes have tropical origins so prefer soil temperatures of at least 20°C for successful germination. In many parts of the country it will still be too cold to sow outdoors but, because tomatoes transplant easily, they can be started inside and grown on to be ready for planting outdoors when conditions are warmer. Seed raising mix has finer particles than potting mix, and maintains a good balance between holding adequate moisture and draining well. A warm spot in the sun is a good place to start your tomatoes. Be careful if it gets direct sunlight as, even in winter, the pots can get very hot. A bright spot out of the sun would be better. Fill the pot with the mix, water and allow to drain. Sow the seeds at the recommended depth, cover gently and water again when they need it. Shallow containers can be watered by sitting them in an outer, water-filled container and allowing the moisture to seep up through the drainage holes. Don’t leave the pot sitting in the water for too long or the seeds will drown.

Apollo is a good choice for early sowing as it has the ability to set fruit when temperatures are still relatively cool. Grosse Lisse is Australia’s favourite tomato. It produces heavy crops of large, round fruit right through the warm weather. Roma is the most popular tomato for cooking and making pastes. Patio and ‘Tiny Tim’ are good choices for pots. ‘Patio’ has medium growth and medium sized fruit, while ‘Tiny Tim’ is a true dwarf plant with cherry-sized tomatoes. Move the tomatoes outside as soon as the weather is reliably warm. They love good going so plant into well prepared soil that’s been enriched with Dynamic Lifter, and feed every couple of weeks with Tomato & Veggie Food. Dust regularly with Tomato & Vegetable Dust to keep pests and diseases at bay.

The Garden Club Annual Meeting was held at Caramut this month, followed by a very tasty lunch and plant auction. The only change to the Committee was Maureen Staff as Secretary replacing Barbara Surkitt. Barbara had been Secretary for many years and was awarded Life Membership for her great work and dedication to the club. Congratulations Barbara.

Yearly competition winners:

- Produce: 1st Lorraine Schefferle & Margaret Richardson, Eq 2nd Rhoda Mirtschin
- Special: 1st Lorraine Schefferle, 2nd Brenda Uebergang
- Bloom: 1st Helen Brown, 2nd Brenda Uebergang

Next meeting will be at Penshurst in the Wetlands Gardens on Tuesday 9th September at 10am. If the weather is unsuitable, the meeting will be at the Senior Citizens Club Rooms.

Names to be in for the bus trip to Beaufort on Thursday 13th Nov 2014 at this (Sept) meeting.

WOOLSTHORPE EXPO 2014

Date: Sunday the 5th October 2014
Where: Woolsthorpe Hall
Who: Any Woolsthorpe groups/associations and Woolsthorpe businesses wishing to promote themselves.

- CWA
- Woolsthorpe Hospital Auxiliary
- Woolsthorpe Tennis Club
- Woolsthorpe Primary School
- Moyne Shire representatives for the Youth in Moyne...
- Local Artists or Businesses
- Woolsthorpe CFA
- Woolsthorpe Historical Society
- Woolsthorpe Cricket Club
- Local Sports Clubs
- Door Raffle?

This could be used as a club promotion and display, membership drive or business promotion and thus the timing for the cricket and tennis season, or as a fund raiser and we are open for suggestions.

The Cricket Club have nominated they are keen to hold a BBQ, otherwise stalls, photo or memorabilia displays or anything your club is willing to provide or wish to share.

As the Gwen and Edna Jones Foundation have supported us to paint the hall we are wishing to invite them and have an acknowledgement in the form of a photo or plaque opening.

The Hall Committee’s next meeting is on Wednesday the 17th September at 7.30 pm at the Woolsthorpe Hall and it would be beneficial to attend this meeting to help in the decision process. To submit your ideas please phone 55692228.

Mary Hussey
Secretary, Woolsthorpe Hall Committee
Speech Night for the Grade 5/6 Finalists was held last night in the Multipurpose Room. Thank you to everyone who came and supported the students. They did a fantastic job presenting their speeches to their peers, judges and family members.

The Speech Night is a great tradition at our school that has many elements of learning and the processes involved in writing their speeches. They learn about research, complex issues, how to dig deep and do authentic research about their chosen topic. They learn to communicate and share their learning in an authentic and creative way.

The students were very nervous to begin with, but they overcame their nerves to present themselves excellently. They are all to be congratulated on their amazing efforts, and while we had winners - the speech night was about teamwork, learning and communication and they can all reflect back and be very proud of their hard work.

Our overall winners for the evening were:

Grade 6  Baillie Keast
Grade 5  Tessa Britnell

Also, thanks to our judges for their time and constructive comments - Mr Perry, Mrs Miller and Miss Cameron.

Hawkesdale P12 College is proud to present

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Adults: $10.00
Child in Production: Free
Child (5–12 years): $5.00
Child under 5 years: Free
Family: $25.00 - 2 x adults; 2 x children
Seniors: $7.50

Unfortunately, payment is required when booking tickets.

Session times:
Matinee - Wednesday, 10 September 2014 - 1.45 pm sit down for 2.00 pm start
Evening - Thursday, 11 September 2014 - 7.15 pm sit down for 7.30 pm start
Evening - Friday, 12 September 2014 - 7.15 pm sit down for 7.30 pm start

Tickets can be purchased from the college office.

FATHER’S DAY STALL

A BIG THANKYOU to all our wonderful parent volunteers who came and helped with our Father’s Day Stall.

The children appreciate all the planning and the help with wrapping - and we appreciate the time you’ve given us out of your day.

HAPPY FATHER’S DAY TO ALL THE DAD’S!!