**Respect Excellence Teamwork Care**

**August 23rd 2012**

**Principal’s Report**

**Great News!** - We have again won the regional category for the *Victorian Schools Garden Awards 2012* and will be hosting a helicopter visit in October to conduct further judging. This is a great achievement and a credit to the hard work our whole school community have done with our gardening program and now our Kitchen Garden Program, which is showcased in the video the students made for the award entry - See our blog for the video entry [http://woolsthorpeps.global2.vic.edu.au/](http://woolsthorpeps.global2.vic.edu.au/). The students did an amazing job of producing the video, which has interviews and footage of our school kitchen and garden programs.

Our *Active After School Program* is going great at the moment with lots of students participating in fun and fitness-based activities. It’s great to see our students having lots of fun and learning many new leadership skills as a result of these sport-based activities. Thanks to our Coaches Kazz and Suzi for all the great work they do.

Our Swimming Program commences **Monday September 10th at the Warrnambool College pool**, with all students participating under the tuition of Jayson Lamb and his instructors. A special timetable will operate at school for the last two weeks of term from **Monday September 10th - Thursday September 20th**. Lunch times will vary in all grades, with **no heat ups or lunch orders** in the last 2 weeks. Information and permission forms will go home next week.

**Swimming times:**
- Prep- 2 
  12.30- 1.30 each day
- Grades 3-6 
  1.30- 2.30 each day

- **Wednesday 12th Swim time is 10.00-11.00**
- **Wednesday 12th Swim time is 11.00-12.00**

**Camp Cost saving** - Due to some further negotiations, we are pleased to let you know that the 4/5/6 camp costs are now **$200.00 not $220.00**. This is mainly due to our savings with the bus this year and the great price Warrnambool Bus Lines have given us. The Grade 4/5/6 camp this year is to **Cape Bridgewater on November 5th/6th/7th**. Payments can now be made. Speak to Jodie about options on making payments.

**Our Grade 2/3 overnight camp has been confirmed.** This year it is in Warrnambool on **November 22nd**. The camp is adventure-based with beach activities, mini golf, and adventure games to name just a few. The cost for this camp will be **$55.00** which includes bus, accommodation, all activities and meals. Payments can now be made. Speak to Jodie about options on making payments.

**AEU Victoria Stop Work Wednesday September 5** is in support of the Australian Education Union Victoria’s plans to seek an agreement with the current Liberal Government around working conditions and pay for teachers, support staff and principals. The stop-work aims to bring about negotiations and follow through with commitments made by the current Liberal government. This is a historic stop-work day because for the first time school support staff will be stopping work also. For our school this means many classes will not run on this day. Details will go home next week.

**Reminders**

**Parent/ Teacher Conferences** - Information has gone home about this.

**Policies can be found on our blog.**

**Mr Perry**

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If you have any items you wish to have in the Newsletter, please send them through to Suzi’s email (ireland.susan.st@edumail.vic.gov.au) or contact Suzi at school.

ALL ITEMS NEED TO BE IN BY WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME PLEASE
**Important Dates To Remember....**

- **Monday August 27th**: Literacy and Numeracy Week
- **Tuesday August 28th**: Kitchen Garden Program Prep/1
- **Monday September 10th-21st**: Swimming Program
- **Tuesday September 11th**: School Council
- **Wednesday September 12th**: Speech Night
- **Friday September 21st**: Last day of Term 3
- **Monday November 5-7th**: Grade 4/5/6 Camp
- **Thursday November 22nd**: Grade 2/3 Overnight Camp

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**HEATUPS**

_Heat Up Roster Term 3 2012_

- **30 Aug**: Sarah McKenzie
- **6 Sep**: Claire Eccles
- **13 Sep**: Swimming
- **20 Sep**: Swimming

**IMPORTANT!** All lunches need to be named and utensils provided if needed. Please NO Easymac.

_A JUST A SMALL REMINDER...._

Please don’t wrap sandwiches to be toasted in Gladwrap, Foil or Baking Paper please.

Thanks to Bec McDonald for doing the Heat Ups this week. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE TO THE ROSTER FOR THE LAST 2 WEEKS OF TERM.

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**ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM**

_URGENT....._ Can Parents that have signed their children up for the Active After School Program & your child/ren are no longer are going to be attending please let Jodie know at the front office. We need to know for the Buses & also for the Roll at the School Program.

Thank-you for your Co-operation in this matter.

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**KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM**

- **Tuesday 28th August**
- Co-Ordinator: Jo Trigg
- Parent Helpers: Kylie Flenley, Kelvin Bunt

**2 HELPERS STILL NEEDED PLEASE!!**

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**PFA NEWS**

The Fathers Day Stall will be held next Friday 31st August at a time to be advised. We will need volunteers to help with the Stall. Please contact either Jodie Mackrell or Jodie Keast (school) - your help is much appreciated!

We would also like to ask parents whose children have special dietary requirements to contact Jodie Mackrell or Jodie Keast so we can arrange something suitable for them for the _End of Term Lunch_ - which will be HOTDOGS MMMMMMMMM!!!!!!!

The Disco will be held on Friday 7th of September this year with some exciting elements to be revealed soon, but we will require helpers for the disco too please.

Next scheduled PFA Meeting will be 5th November.

Jodie Mackrell 0428 592 438
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A Public Meeting is to be held on Wednesday the 12th of September at the Woolsthorpe Hall at 7.30pm. This meeting will be run in conjunction with the Woolsthorpe Community Progress Association’s monthly general meeting. The purpose of the meeting will be to gauge interest from members of the community into forming a committee of management for the Woolsthorpe Hall, under the umbrella of the Woolsthorpe Community Progress Association, therefore becoming a subcommittee of the Progress Association. It has been brought to the Progress Association’s attention that the present Hall Committee is no longer active and the future of our Hall is in jeopardy. It has been suggested that the above mentioned format may be the life-line our Hall needs for its survival. A public hall is a vital component of all rural communities. Our hall has a long and interesting history, and houses some wonderful memorabilia and artefacts regarding the history of Woolsthorpe. For our hall to remain a place where people can hold functions for fundraising, family celebrations, hold meetings, information days or any other activities involving our community, it is vital that we have new interest from within our community to become involved in maintaining, managing and the general operation of our hall.

Congratulations to Lachie Stevens for a superb effort last Wednesday evening (15th August) in the Brauer College Primary School Public Speaking Competition. Lachie presented a fantastic prepared speech titled ‘Disabled people can achieve anything’. He also presented a short notice speech where each participant was given 5-minutes to prepare a 1-minute speech.

Woolsthorpe Primary School has a long history of public speaking and once again this is a tremendous effort from one of our students, well done Lachie.

WHAT’S ON NEXT WEEK!
Wednesday 29th August
Fathers’ Day Craft
Time?? 10 am-12 noon
Bring?? Piece of fruit and a plate of morning tea to share
Where?? WPS Multipurpose Room
Cost?? $3 per family.
Any questions?? Tory Robinson 5569 2496
New members always welcome - feel free to bring a friend.

WELL DONE LACHIE!