HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU....
BROOKE WATSON  NOVEMBER 27TH

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Respect Excellence Teamwork Care

November 22nd 2012

Important Dates To Remember....

Thursday November 22nd/23rd  Grade 2/3 Camp
Thursday November 22nd  Kitchen Garden Program Grade 4/5
Tuesday November 27th  Kitchen Garden Program Grade 5/6
Tuesday December 4th  School Council Dinner
Wednesday December 5th  Kitchen Garden Program Grade P/1
Friday December 7th  PUPIL FREE DAY (Maths Conference)
Monday December 10th  Country Students’ Orientation Day (Secondary Schools)
Tuesday December 11th  Statewide Orientation Day
Tuesday December 11th  PFA Dinner at Alex’s Pizza & Wok
Friday December 14th  Grade 6 Graduation Night
Tuesday December 18th  Concert/Awards Night
Wednesday December 19th  Fun Day at Lake Pertobe STUDENTS’ LAST DAY

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Parents, just a reminder about the importance of reading notes and newsletters each week. This is our main way of communicating with you all the great things happening and important information you as parents require. Also check out our Blog and Facebook page for updates.

Timetable change next week
Next week we are running a modified timetable. This is a chance to try a different timetable for one week with a plan to look at adjusting times next year. This won’t impact drop off and pick times. Times are as follows- 9.00- 11.00 Literacy, 11.00- 11.30 recess, 11.30- 1.00 Numeracy, 1.00- 2.00 Lunch, 2.00- 3.30 Integrated Learning.

The Fire season is fast approaching and it is a reminder to practice your fire drills and Emergency Management Plans. The key is planning and preparation. On Wednesday afternoon we carried out an evacuation drill as part of our Emergency Management Planning. Our plan has two evacuation points. For Internal Fires we evacuate to the Cricket Pitch (Oval) and for External Fires (Bushfire) the Multipurpose Building. The drill was a chance to explain to students the importance of being prepared and planning ahead. The CFA website has many tips for planning and preparing for the fire season- http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/

As you may have heard or read there is currently a number of bans in schools at the moment while the Government and Education Union (AEU) continue negotiations around a new Enterprise Agreement. Some bans at the moment are on attendance at meetings during the week for more than 1 hour, preparation for 2013 camps and activities outside staff’s normal attendance hours and bans on written report comments for students. An AEU sub branch letter has been attached to this week’s newsletter that explains the ban on report comments. I will keep you informed as more information is released.

Sun Smart
Just a reminder with limited shade at the moment around the school and with the weather warming up, students must have hats and apply sunscreen every day at school. Parents can you please ensure this happens.

End of year arrangements
On Tuesday December 18th we are holding our end of year Concert and Awards Night at 7.00pm on the school oval. This is a great night for the whole family to join in and celebrate the year. The theme this year is “Just Dance.” Students are busy practising and are very excited about showcasing their dances.

Wednesday the 19th December is our FUN DAY at Lake Pertobe which is our last day of planned activities for students. Families are welcome to come along and join in the fun. Thanks to the PFA there is a BBQ and visit from Santa on the day. In the morning P-3 students will be going to the movies and the 4-6s are doing beach activities/walking, more information will go home from teachers soon. Thursday 20th and Friday 21st will be used by staff for cleaning up, planning, preparation and transition in readiness for 2013. As in past years, if there are any parents who cannot source alternative child minding arrangements for the 20th & 21st please contact Jodie in order for us to plan Relief Teacher employment.

End of year magazine
This year the school magazine will cost $15 as it will be published in colour by Amazon Printing. If you wish to see the quality of last year’s there are copies in the office. Order forms will be coming home this week.

Mr Perry


If you have any items you wish to have in the Newsletter, please send them through to Suzi’s email (ireland.susan.s1@edumail.vic.gov.au) or contact Suzi at school.

ALL ITEMS NEED TO BE IN BY WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME PLEASE
OUR KITCHEN GARDEN CO-ORDINATORS NEED THE SUPPORT OF PARENT VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR WONDERFUL KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM TO OPERATE. PLEASE HELP OUT OR THE STUDENTS WILL HAVE TO MISS OUT!!

PLEASE LET JODIE KNOW IF YOU CAN HELP OUT IN ANY OF THE CLASSES.

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· **PFA NEWS**
  
  Dates to remember
  
  · **TABLOID SPORTS DAY 4th DECEMBER**
  
  Still need a couple more volunteers please to help out with the BBQ.

  · **PFA DINNER**
  
  Well it seems no-one is interested in dinner????? Surely not! Please let me know as soon as possible if you would like to come to our PFA end of year dinner on Tuesday the 11th December – we need to book seats.

  · **END OF YEAR RAFFLES**
  
  Please don’t forget to send along any items for the raffle. Robyn has been wonderful in volunteering her time to put them together. We just need each child to bring along 1 item for the raffle – thanks.

  · **FLOWERS**
  
  We have 2 volunteers to put our flowers together but if you would like to help we would love to know! Any flower donations would be greatly appreciated also a week before the concert.

  · **PANCAKES - FRIDAY NIGHT MARKETS**
  
  Please see the Roster on the following page. Please put your hand up to fill a shift if you are around, they are always fun and a great way to make money for our school.

  Please contact Jodie Mackrell on 0428592438 if you can help with any of the above items

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**HAWKESDALE & PURNIM DISTRICTS TENNIS ASSOCIATION**

Results from this weekend as follows:

- Illowa/Mailors Flat 7 sets 46 games defeated Hawkesdale Blue 2 sets 22 games
- Hawkesdale Gold 7 sets 49 games defeated Broadwater White 2 sets 30 games
- Woolsthorpe 8 sets 50 games defeated Wangoom Hawks 1 set 18 games
- Minhamite Red 9 sets 54 games defeated Willatook 0 sets 9 games
- Wangoom Owls 5 sets 39 games defeated Broadwater Green 4 sets 38 games

Ladder after round 5 is as follows:

- Minhamite Red 45
- Hawkesdale Gold 43
- Wangoom Owls 40
- Illowa/Mailors Flat 33
- Woolsthorpe 25
- Broadwater Green 22
- Broadwater White 21
- Minhamite Yellow 18
- Wangoom Hawks 13
- Hawkesdale Blue 8
- Willatook 7
It’s that time of year again when the famous Woolsthorpe Pancakes will be hitting Lake Pertobe for the Twilight Markets and the Port Fairy Caravan Parks for Breakfast. The PFA does a wonderful job raising **Thousands of $$** for our kids and it’s a small ask that each family does just 1 shift though out the year. It is a wonderful way for new families to meet the great bunch of parents that are supporting the school. If you can help out with a shift please call Bek Hirst on 0429 198 365 or 55654415.

**Friday night Markets at Lake Pertobe**
4pm-8pm

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**Port Fairy Caravan Parks**
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**ONLY 33…….. SLEEPS TO GO…**
AEU Action – Report Comments

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are writing to inform you that at this stage there will be no comments on student reports this year. The reports you will receive will be less detailed than you are accustomed to and we would like to explain the reason for this.

As we outlined in a letter home recently, we are currently participating in AEU industrial actions. On behalf of teachers, principals and support staff, the Australian Education Union has been negotiating with the Baillieu Government for a new enterprise agreement for over a year. Still we have no agreement around improved working conditions for staff.

This term, therefore, AEU members have begun a ban on providing written comments and numerical assessments in student reports.

Report writing is a very important part of our job, and one that we all spend a lot of time and thought preparing. Agreeing to take this action has not been made lightly. The purpose of the ban is to highlight the significant amount of work school staff complete to provide written reports about student achievement.

We are still working hard to assess your child’s progress and the report you receive will indicate your child’s achievement in accordance with the Victorian Essential Learning Standards (progression points, shown with ‘dots’), but no further comments will be provided.

Our teachers, principals and education support staff are committed to providing the best education for your children. Our goal is to improve conditions across the government system so that we not only maintain but improve the quality of education we provide your children.

To show your support, we ask you to send your own message to Premier Baillieu and his government via our campaign website, www.keepthepromise.com.au. Please encourage other members of the school community to do likewise.

Once again, we thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

AEU sub-branch