Hi Everyone,

Another great week at the school with plenty of interesting things happening.

On Thursday we set up some measurement instruments for our farm hands to collect data about the environment at our school. We will also measure how much food and water our animals are consuming. The SRC are looking into what the roles of the VIP’s should be and we will look at activities they would like to run. Looking forward to some exciting activities!

We conducted our river detectives water testing last week as well. We will be sharing our results with other schools along the Campaspe as well as testing our wetlands area.

In class students have been completing their NAPLAN tests. The tests show a small school the growth students have made over the past 2 years. The other data is more suited to larger school as we have already have a firm understanding of what the students as a cohort are capable of.

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Last week we began our Sporting School program with Kylie and Carolyn running the sessions. The program is part of a national trial to replace Active After School Sports. The trial runs for all of term 2 with a new AASS scheme, we believe, beginning in term 3. The sessions are happening during school hours.

Next week is education week and we are having a Maths afternoon for Parents, Grandparents and community members to come along to. There will be games and competitions, all with a mathematics theme.

Next Friday we have our cluster sports at the Rec Reserve. Students have been working very hard on their sporting techniques! Be sure to make time to come down and cheer our students along.

Thanks, Joe Sebire (Principal)
In Literacy we have been learning to write persuasive text in the form of letters to a variety of people trying to convince them on different topics.

We have been reading books at the student's level where they feel comfortable and familiar with words. We are working hard on sounding out and chunking new and difficult words.

In Integrated Studies we are researching and learning about interesting countries with our topic Where in the World is Asia?

Numeracy has involved us doing skip counting, grouping numbers, patterns, fractions, clocks and time and collating and graphing data.

We are very busy supporting each other with correct classroom behaviour and respecting each others learning space.

Annie Southby

The Sausage Sizzle is every Wednesday.

Prices per student are as follows:
1 sausage in bread + drink + fruit = $3.00
2 sausages in bread + drink + fruit = $4.00

Please contact the school if you can provide fruit for any of the weeks. The students really enjoy the Sausage Sizzle and help from families is very much appreciated.

WEDNESDAY:  Cooking          Fruit
May 20th    J Smith/C Sargent  R Bennett
May 27th    J Brophy           Volunteer
June 3rd    K Munro           Volunteer

NOTICES

SCHOOL CLOTHING
Could parents please return washed items of clothing that have been lent to students recently. We currently have no spare clothes left at school if needed.

ATTACHMENTS
⇒ Responsible Pet Ownership
                Colouring Competition
**Biggest Morning Tea.**

*Thursday, 14th May, 2015 at 10.00 am.*

*Redesdale Hall.*

*Fundraiser for the Cancer Council.*

*Entertainment by R.M.M.P.S. students.*

*Favourite Tea Cosy'' Competition ......Tell a Story.*

*Raffles.*

*Trading table.*

- Entry - Gold coin donation.
  Please bring some change for voting.

*All welcome - why not invite your friends to this worthwhile cause?*

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