FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Good to finally see some decent rainfall this week. Hope it keeps coming.. But not Friday! Friday will be sunny for the sports we hope!

This week in class we had our second visit from Ron to help us prepare for the chess challenge. Its great to have experts coming in and share their enthusiasm and expertise with students. We have now completed our NAPLAN testing for 2015. Students found the tests to be not too stressful. We will receive results of the test in August.

In class we have been working on connection with text and relating that to our own life. This connection to the text increases interest in the story which makes the story more enjoyable. We have also continued with our comprehension activities. In maths we continue with times tables, completed times table grids to show patterns. We have continued to work on our measurement projects. The projects are proving both enjoyable and challenging.

On Friday Graeme Day visited with his wife to help us set up our worm farm. We all got to see how a worm farm works with the help of Chelsey, Ruben and Jesse being experts! We now have our farm set up and working. We are looking forward to harvesting the “juice” and castings for our gardens.

On Monday I attending the Regional Directors meeting in Bendigo. On the agenda were the sweeping changes to education funding and how they will effect us. We had Dr David Howes, head of the VCAA (Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority). He spoke about changes to the final draft of the AusVELS due to be released later in the year. He also presented about research into ways the students achieve great results by working in teams and collaborating in their learning and the importance of feedback to students. Some interesting items for the staff to follow up on.

On Tuesday we had our Education Week activities day. We showcased maths games we have been playing and made paper airplanes to learn about following instructions and symmetry followed by a fly off. It was a fantastic afternoon. It was great to have parents come and join in all the activities. Well done to the students for organising a great afternoon.

DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY
- Friday, 22nd
  Cluster Athletics, Redesdale
- Wednesday 27th & Thursday 28th
  Parent Teacher interviews.

JUNE
- Monday 1st June
  SCHOOL PHOTO DAY
- Wednesday 3rd June
  Conveyance Allowance Forms due
- Monday 8th June
  Queen’s Birthday Holiday
- Tuesday 16th June
  School Council
- Friday 26th—Last Day Term 2, 2015

Friday is our sports day over at the Rec Reserve. All cluster schools will be coming along. The Rural Cafe has offered to deliver coffees to the oval. Please check the information in this newsletter.

Also going home today is a timesheet for parent teacher interviews next week on Wednesday and Thursday after school. Please return these as soon as possible.

Thanks, Joe Sebire (Principal)

ATTACHMENTS
- School Photo Order Forms
- Book Club Issue 4, 2015
- Parent Teacher Interview Form
VIP’S

The VIP’s this week are Alex and Lachlan. Thank you for doing your jobs so well and so diligently.

JUNIOR SCHOOL REPORT

We continue to work on letter formation and using our Word Wall to assist with our spelling when we get stuck.

The students are encouraged to read to an adult or older sibling at home every night. They are also given the opportunity to work on Reading Eggs on the iPads or computers at school to vary their reading patterns.

Numeracy involves the students working through a variety of skip counting, recognising numbers and groups of numbers which can be shown using blocks and other classroom resources.

Counting on is also encouraged and practiced as well as learning the day/date of the week and learning to tell the time.

The students are showing great skills preparing and setting up for their days work and then cleaning up their work spaces when finished.

Congratulations Junior Room!

FARMHANDS

Chelsey and Jesse are the farm hands this week and they are doing a great job looking after the chooks and Roast.

INTEGRATED STUDIES REPORT

This has involved the whole school group and has us learning about Biodiversity. The responses from the students has been overwhelming when we discussed the pictures shown via Powerpoint out of the Curiosity Box on biodiversity.

Learning about how we impact on our Biodiversity and the different ways we might attempt to fix the problems shows the students are environmentally switched on when it comes to animals and plants and how we need to care more for them.

Annie Southby
SAUSAGE SIZZLE ROSTER

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.

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NOTICES

Thank you to everyone for purchasing raffle tickets for the Mother’s Day prizes drawn last Thursday. The school raised $58.50 which will be used to purchase books for the Premier’s Reading Challenge. Raffle winners were:

1st—J Smith-Sargent
2nd—R Bennett
3rd—Mrs Southby
4th M Patros

PLAYGROUP

As there has been no-one attending the Playgroup on Fridays, this term, it has been decided not to continue with the group at this time. If another day or time suits you better, can you please let us know, and we will try to organise the Playgroup at a time that is more suitable.

Sue Stewart

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our School photos are being held on Monday 1st of June. School photo forms are being sent home today with the newsletter. All order forms are individually named for each student. Please return the completed photo forms by Thursday 28th May. If you would like to purchase sibling photos, forms are available from the school office.

OUR STUDENTS PERFORMING AT THE BIGGEST MORNING TEA LAST THURSDAY
On Friday 15th May
Graham and Lorraine
Day visited the school to assist with setting up our worm farm
Kyneton Future Forum
7 pm, Tuesday 26th May
Discussion of Climate Council Report
"Why we need to leave fossil fuels in the ground"
Led by Jan McIver
Explore issues important to the future of Kyneton and the rest of the world
When
4th Tuesday monthly
(shared soup from 6.30)
Where
Kyneton Community & Learning Ctr
Mollison St, Kyneton
Cost
Gold coin donation
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Gool Rd, Bendigo
(next to Bendigo Senior Secondary College)
THURSDAY 6 AUGUST 2015
5.30pm
(Show Duration 90 Minutes with Interval)

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