Hi Everyone
We are onto the last newsletter of Term 1! It has been a very intense term at school with hot days and lots of new learning. The Grade 3/4 students were welcoming parents this morning to show off their ingenious bridge designs, while our Grade 5/6 students are enjoying their last activity of camp—ice skating!

It was lovely to share some time with the campers on Tuesday, and great to hear children saying things like: "I've been to Melbourne before but I've never visited any of the places we are going on camp..." It was also good to hear the guides and staff at venues comment on the excellent behaviour, courtesy and engagement of the children.

A HUGE thank you to Wendy Martin, Jenny Ashton, Fiona Carson, Craig Kerlin, Nicole Godde, Helen Millar, Susan Christie and Stephen McDonald. It is a tremendous responsibility shepherding other people’s children safely around Melbourne and looking after them 24 hours a day. Getting 87 children on and off peak-hour trams takes military precision and a heightened adrenalin level! They will certainly be ready for the Easter break on their return.

Back at school our remaining teachers have been planning their Quests for Term 2. children have more fun and exciting learning to look forward to with Grade 5/6 making sparks fly in their Quest looking at electrical currents and alternative energy sources. They will design and build a powered toy by the end of term. Grade 3/4 students have their Queenscliff camp to look forward to and a Quest on 'creature features' and ecosystems. Grade 1/2 children will be 'Moving Right Along' during their Quest about forms of Transport, and the Preps will hear the lions roar (YES, they do have lions in Mansfield) at Mansfield Zoo and learn ‘All About Animals’.

PLEASE NOTE: Leonie Bourke & Craig Kerlin will be on extended leave for the first week of term. Robyn Dykes, who knows the students in Prep B well, will fill in for Leonie. Michael Jenkins, who works regularly at school will be in 56K.

Another BIG thank you to Matt Flanagan and Kel Vincent who came to our rescue this morning. One of the shade sails had collapsed overnight. Matt and Kel dismantled it and put it undercover to await repairs. Thank you both for your help!

GRADE 34 CAMP REMINDER: The camp will take place on 24th-26th April. Please finalise payment for this camp by Friday 19th April. We are happy to discuss payment plans if this makes it easier.

AND FINALLY... As I write we are awaiting news of the imminent delivery of Celine Forster's new baby. If you have seen her recently, you will know that Celine has looked ready for this for some weeks!

ENJOY the holidays—see you all on the 15th April.

SCHOOL COUNCIL WORKING BEE—Saturday, 20th April - 2.00-5.00pm
We will be gardening, spraying weeds, clearing old cuttings and some recent fallen limbs, cutting back shrubs and just giving the place a good clean up. Many hands make light work!

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Wangaratta Auskick 2013

Wangaratta 2013 Auskick season will officially commence at the Barr Reserve as follows:

Sunday 21st April (Muster Day) 9.30am Grades 3 & 4 and 10.30am for Grades 5 & 6

Sunday 28th April at 9.30am Grades Prep, 1 & 2 commence

Parents wanting to register their children for Auskick in 2013 can now do so by logging onto www.aflauskick.com.au cost of registration is $69.33 per child. Registrations completed and paid on line by 15th April 2013 with a nominated AFL football team will receive 2 Adult & 2 Children’s tickets free from the AFL for a game predetermined by the AFL. Please note free AFL tickets will not be available to any registrations completed and paid on line after 15th April 2013.

No manual registrations will be accepted for the 2013 season, all registrations must be completed online.

Auskick pack collection nights will be advised shortly.