Hi everyone...

30 SLEEPS UNTIL THE ART SHOW & FETE

Time is really starting to speed up now that we are in August. With less than a month to go to our big weekend, I have attached a ‘sign up sheet’ to this week’s newsletter where you can offer your contribution towards the Fete. Please fill this in and send it back to school as soon as possible. We really do need your help… the benefits for your child are far more than just the money raised. It makes them feel very special and very much part of things when Mum and/or Dad (and/or grandparents) are actively involved in school events. Please see page 4 of this newsletter.

AND A GIANT FREDDO GOES TO… the families who have so far returned the Parent Opinion Surveys. There are still quite a number of these to come back in - PLEASE, if you received one in the mail and popped it on the fridge or somewhere, fill it in and send it back to school by Monday. We do value your feedback, and I know your child/ren will love the Freddo Frog prize for remembering to hand it in to the office! We only send out 45 of these surveys, so every one counts.

LAST CHANCE WOOD SALE: There are still some loads of wood available for anyone who would like to purchase one - a 6x4 trailer load of dry, split red gum for $100. All proceeds will go to the school. This wood can be collected tomorrow evening 5.30-6.30pm. Please contact the office before 4pm tomorrow, or Andrew Lovett on 0458175951.

HEALTHY PREPS: A key part of the Preps’ current Quest, Healthy Me, is to encourage them all to taste and enjoy a wider range of healthy foods. The children have been looking at the healthy eating pyramid. They had the opportunity to put their learning into action today; making their own sandwiches and choosing items from the food groups that are in the widest part of the pyramid (green light choices). According to teachers, Sarah Foster and Robyn Dykes, the children all happily tucked into their wholemeal bread and salad choices at lunchtime.

WORKING BEE THANKS: last Saturday, in frosty sunshine, we had a clean-up in our garden beds, sprayed some weeds and cleaned up around the sandpit. Thank you to the following parents and children who came along to lend a hand - your help is much appreciated: Andrew, Glen & Miles Lovett, Kel, Tammy, Mitch & Mathew Vincent, Karen Still, Maddison & Lisa Corker, Marcus & Ryan Battin, Ross, Margie, Thomas, Harvey & Isaac Moore, Charlotte & Mandy Mullens.

AND FINALLY… I would like to pay special tribute to Kay Andrewartha. Kay works tirelessly on school committees (APPA, School Council and subcommittees); she volunteers very regularly to assist with any catering activities, along with keeping track of lost property and helping with the whole school head checks. Kay recently lost her husband after a long illness and she has continued to turn up and contribute positively to the life of the school. Thank you, Kay!

Wendy Larcombe

Upcoming Events

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Zone Netball Report
A few wins, a few losses and a few draws. We all finished our day on a high. On Friday 25th July, 16 motivated and enthusiastic girls went down to the Barr Reserve with an attitude to be proud of. We were our school’s representatives in the Zone Netball competition. We were all determined to go out and try our best. Throughout the five exhausting games every one of us put in a hundred percent and achieved everything and more then we’d anticipated. Unfortunately neither of our teams reached the finals, only just missing out. But that didn’t faze us. Our teamwork was exceptional and we all kept encouraging each other until our voices were hoarse.

SO THANKS TO EVERY ONE WHO CAME DOWN AND SUPPORTED THE GIRLS!
Amy Henderson, Tanisha Gratton and Heidi Parkinson

Inter-School sport
Last Friday some 5/6 students represented the school at the Zone Winter Sports Carnival. At the footy all the boys tried their hardest and we nearly got through to the finals. We won 3 out of 4 games, we needed to win our last game to go through to the final, but we got beaten by St Bernards. Some of our best players on the day were; Liam White, Isaac Folino, Mitch Carson, Aiden Bartlett, Will Gulbin, Flynn Wright and Zack Watson, but everyone played their best. The final was played between St. Bernards and Sacred Heart and Sacred Heart won by a few goals. We are all really proud of our efforts on the day and a big thanks to Mr. Kerlin for looking after the football.

Mitch Carson

3/4A Maths Quiz
How many people can you fit into a square metre?

We got 16! How many can you get?

Nihongo News
Grades 3~6 had a very competitive week. They raced in pairs to make words related to JP food out of hiragana cards. The winning teams were: 3/4A a tie Hannah S & Georgia L, Ryan S & Glen G; 3/4B Cameron L & Braeden M; 3/4C Lachy N & Andre R; 3/4D Jack B & Brodie W; 5B Annika F & Sarah L; 5S Liam S & Austin C; 6C Amy H, Heidi P & Tanisha G; 6K Emma C & Rhys D. Speech contest kids have started their regular practice sessions. It’s very important that they practise at home. They should have their scripts by now and audio CDs will be sent out next week. Please get your permission notes back as soon as possible. Tahlia C in Gr5 is looking for a partner to enter the pairs section.

Monoshiri Sensei’s Culture Tips
The JP words for last week’s nazonazo were puppy = koinu & kitten = koneko. The prefix ko signifies a little something. For this week’s nazonazo, tell us what’s so special about eating fugu. The first correct written answer to me or to the main office will be the winner.

Sayōnara!

Fruit Roster 11th August:
Vanessa Luscombe & Lynn Best

2nd Hand Uniform Shop
Mondays 8.45-9am in the canteen.
Hannah Nish for being a quiet and conscientious student who always does her best. She is a helpful and caring student who is a pleasure to have in our classroom.

Logan Wright for working hard to achieve success in his learning this term. Your improved maturity and attitude has made those around you very proud. Congratulations, Logan!

April Twyford for being a great personal learner. She understands her strengths and weaknesses. She sets personal goals and works hard towards achieving them.

Musician of the Week

Seth Saunders for being such a great leader in Prep music. You have a great voice and you are doing spectacularly!

SPORTS AWARD

Taylor Marshall for bringing her best concentration and focus to PE this week. Her application to the tasks were spot on!!

Morgan Byrne for listening to specific feedback and applying her knowledge to refine her skills. Well done, Morgan.

Artist of the Week

Brayden Sadik Hardwidge for his conscientious approach to his art work. During his first session in Art Academy he worked very hard and produced some excellent work. Keep it up, Brayden.

APPIN STAR AWARD

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Student Achievement Awards

The Appin Park Community congratulates you. Students will be awarded their certificates at Monday’s Assembly

PF Zac Grace for the extra effort he is putting into his reading and maths work. Keep it up, Zac.

1E Bailey Ballard for working hard on his reading this week. Keep up the great work, Bailey.

1/2S Max Bihun for helping others and for his beautiful writing style. Well done!

2B Jacinta Magee for being a conscientious student who always participates well in all learning tasks and completes them to a high standard. Great work, Jacinta.

3/4A Grace Gregory for giving, receiving and using feedback to improve her own learning and that of her literacy group. Congratulations, Grace!

3/4B Carla Petersen for writing a colourful poem in the shape of an artist’s paint palette. Great job, Carla!

3/4C Fern Cox for her creative ideas and excellent use of language in her writing.

3/4D Amelia Weimer for the focused effort she is making to improve her handwriting. Keep it up!

5B Matthew Vickery for showing persistence during writing tasks and for working quietly in class this week.

5S Aiden Bartlett for working well in class and getting along well with others.

6C Noah Gleeson for the outstanding way he has worked using the woodwork trailer. Noah successfully completed his toolbox and was helpful to others.

6K Will Gulbin for the great effort he made during woodwork lessons, designing and building his own stool.

Playgroup Thanks the Men’s Shed

A few weeks ago we delivered four tricycles and two pieces of play furniture to the Wangaratta Men’s Shed. This equipment was still very usable but was badly in need of a makeover and the guys at the Shed offered to help us out. They repainted, cleaned and pumped up flat tyres. This week we were able to use the equipment for the first time and the children loved it. The ‘home corner’ was used much more than before and all the tricycles were given a road test inside and out.
Are you interested in computers? Do you love working with technology? Do you consider yourself a 'geek'? Is an iPod/DS permanently stuck on your hand? If you said 'yes' to any of those questions, then you are the perfect candidate for our eLearning Academy.

Two small groups of students will be selected from Grades 3/4 and Grade 5/6 to participate for the rest of the year. The competition is tough! We will be selecting students who show strong interest, average to above average computer skills, and a willingness to explore new technology.

eLearning Academy is not a Gaming Club or just playing on the internet. We might try video editing, green screens, video conferencing with people around the world (or in space), digital artwork, talking avatars, and more! It all depends on your interests!

Please complete the online application at [http://bit.ly/1nT3eDx](http://bit.ly/1nT3eDx) before 15th August to be considered. If you have any questions, please ask Mrs Cole in 3/4B or send an email to cole.nancy.n@edumail.vic.gov.au

Good luck!

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**FETE – 6th SEPTEMBER 10AM – 3PM**

Please indicate below the times or ways you are available to assist with our school Fete. We need helpers on the day and in the days leading up to the Fete. If you are already committed to an activity – THANK YOU.

- I can collect large items (with a ute and/or trailer) on Friday, 5th Sept (4-6pm)
- I can help set up stalls and outdoor settings at 8.30am
- I can help pack up at 3pm
- I can help with the BBQ and food service (Circle your preferred times)
  - 10-11am
  - 11-12pm
  - 12-1pm
  - 1-2pm
  - 2-3pm
- I can sell tickets for the train, jumping castle and other activities (Circle your preferred times)
  - 10-11am
  - 11-12pm
  - 12-1pm
  - 1-2pm
  - 2-3pm
- I can help on stalls being organised by each grade (Circle your preferred times) Grade/s
  - 10-11am
  - 11-12pm
  - 12-1pm
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  - 2-3pm
- I have White Elephant items to donate Need collection: YES NO
- I can donate the following (Please circle as appropriate):
  - Homemade baking
  - Goods/services for raffles
  - Games, books
  - Jams, preserves
- I can drive the ‘train’ (a ride-on mower with attached carriages) - Circle your preferred times
  - 10-11am
  - 11-12pm
  - 12-1pm
  - 1-2pm
  - 2-3pm

Other offers:

Name/s ________________________________  Ph: ________________________________

Email: ________________________________
Cake Stall
The Fete is fast approaching and this year Prep F and 1E will be running the cake stall. If you are able to donate cakes, biscuits or slices for us to sell we would greatly appreciate it. Goods can be brought to room 1 on Friday 5th September (before or after school) or you can bring them to the Fete on Saturday morning. All goods must have the ingredients listed on the front or we are unable to sell them. Later in the month I will send out sample labels and blank labels to list ingredients on. If you have any questions please contact me. Thanks, Sarah Foster

Lucky Sars
On Friday 15th August Grade 3/4D will be holding a casual clothes day. Instead of a gold coin we would like you to bring a glass/plastic jar filled with goodies for our fete stall. This could be things like pencils, wrapped lollies, small toys, marbles, jewellery, anything suitable for a kid’s prize.

Second Hand Book Stall
Search the cupboards for the cookbooks you haven’t used for years; children’s books stored away for a rainy day; novels you have read but might never read again and any other books gathering dust on a shelf. We want your books! Donations can be left in Room 8A or at the office.

Can you help? The Fete spinning wheel needs some fabulous prizes. If you are able to donate either new goods (maybe a ‘gift’ that is destined to be ‘re-gifted’) or offer a service (e.g. gift voucher to a shop) that can go on the wheel as prize can you please either contact Ross Moore (0409 186 640 or 5722 2045) or drop the item off at the office. Your help would be much appreciated.

Victorian Legal Aid Service
Date: 19 August 2014
Time: Free half hour sessions between 9:00am and 12:30pm
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