Hello everyone -

EDUCATION WEEK: The children enjoyed their morning yesterday; working in ‘mixed up’ groups to complete a literacy and numeracy activity in celebration of Education Week.

PUPIL FREE DAY—NEXT THURSDAY—JUST KIDS OPEN—BOOK IN TODAY
NO school for children on this day. Teachers will be working on their reports.

CROSS COUNTRY: The annual cross country was run in perfect conditions today. It is so good to see all of our students taking on this challenge and giving it their best shot. For those who enjoy running it is a great opportunity to really stretch themselves and compete with their peers. Children who are not naturally athletic are still out there, trying their best and building their fitness along the way. Well done to all who participated. It is always an event that draws a large crowd of spectators and today was no different. I know the children really appreciate having their parents and family there to cheer them on. We also appreciate APPA’s sausage sizzle lunch!! A big Thank You to the hardworking volunteers who catered today: Alison Sessions, Bec Feldtmann, Maryanne Bannon, Trecia Donald, Bronwyn & Thom Knox. Margie Moore provided the orange portions for children. There are details of the place-getters in Wendy Martin’s report on Page 2.

SCHOOL COUNCIL CHOCOLATE DRIVE: This major fundraiser will start next THURSDAY. Carriers of chocolate bars (total value $50) will be sent home on that day. If you would prefer NOT to receive a carrier to buy or sell, please contact Nicole at the office by Wednesday. Thank you in advance for your support of this activity.

NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM ITEM: Due to the fact that our current school shirt fabric has become very difficult to source, School Council have looked at phasing in a new school shirt. The APPA committee and staff had a sneak preview at their recent meetings and I have shown this version to prospective Prep 2017 parents. All who have looked at it have given the thumbs up. We would like your thoughts too, prior to officially adopting this. Please send me an email or call me if you have a comment to make (larcombe.wendy.w@edumail.vic.gov.au). You can see the new shirt at the office. These will be supplied by Steer Clothing Co. once final approval is given. They will have the school logo embroidered (in green) on the chest and it will cost roughly the same as our current shirt. The phase-in period will allow students to wear out their old shirts and to replace them with the new style. We will stop second hand sales of the old version of shirt after the June school holidays. Donated shirts will still be gratefully received as we use them as spare clothing for the sickbay. Steer Clothing will sell out their current stock of green shirts at half price during the phase-in period.

Upcoming Events

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PRINCIPAL: Wendy Larcombe
MOTHERS’ DAY RAFFLE: Thank you to all families who supported the Mothers’ Day raffle recently. The prize (a KitchenAid package) was obviously a popular choice. The winner, Trudie Reynolds, was very happy when she collected her voucher and accessories from the office. Congratulations also to Chenoa Nash’s grandfather, Les McIntyre, who won second prize of a Coles Myer gift card and hamper. The raffle raised around $1000 profit which is another bucket of money we can use to buy resources and books for our classrooms. THANK YOU, to APPA and our parent community, on behalf of students and staff.

NEW ENROLMENTS: Welcome to the four new students and their families who joined our school this week and have settled in quickly: Keifa and Kiara in Grade 5, along with Alanah in Grade 3 & Giovanni in Grade 1.

AND FINALLY... Grade 5 students, along with Renee Sayers, Craig Kerlin, Heather Foster and Ross Moore will head off to Sovereign Hill next Tuesday - have a great time, kids!

Cross Country Results

Perfect conditions for our annual cross country event prevailed upon us on today. The students were looking extremely colourful wearing their sport teams colours. There was plenty of enthusiasm and support from family and friends and fantastic efforts from all the participants.

The first event was the 2km race for the Grade 3/4 children. Grade 4 student Xavier Pitt was the eventual winner of this race, holding off the fast finishing James Thewlis and Johnnie Wohlers who took out 2nd and 3rd place respectively. The first girl to cross the line was Grade 3 student Bailey Walch, ahead of Emily Cooper and Tayah Martens.

The 1km event for the Prep/1/2 children was an enjoyable event to watch as so many of these children ran extremely well and with big smiles on their faces! Corey Marjanovic smashed the distance and took out line honours in this event, followed by Seth Saunders and Cameron Sgarioto. The first girls to cross the line were Montana Allpress, Abbey Waide and Ella Nelson. The first Prep to cross the line, finishing in the top 25, was Max James, Logan Webb and Lenny Campbell.

The final event was the 3 km race for the older children. Caleb Gilbert, Braeden Marjanovic and Logan Wright ran strongly over the distance and fought out a very competitive race with Caleb holding on to secure the win. This was a great effort from Caleb as his training, leading up to the event, indicated that he was preparing himself to produce a good result. Kelly Hirschmann was the leading girl over this distance with Tahlia Hurley and Emily Mitchell taking out the minor placings.

The sportsmanship during and at the end of each race was excellent with participants congratulating each other and encouraging those that still were running.

Individual year level winners were:

Prep Logan Webb & Max James Keira Wohlers
One Dean Balfour Imogen Walkerden
Two Corey Marjanovic Montana Allpress
Three Johnnie Wohlers Bailey Walch
Four Xavier Pitt Emily Cooper
Five Caleb Gilbert Tahlia Hurley
Six Braeden Marjanovic Kelly Hirschmann

Teachers acknowledged the efforts of not only the winners but also a number of children who displayed excellent persistence and resilience before and during the event. These children trained hard and ran to the best of their ability on the day:

Mia Gambrell. Darcy Waide, Tom Whitehouse, Dean Balfour, Sophie Morris, Johnnie Wohlers, James Thewlis, Emma Vickery, Grace Gregory, Mason Espejo and Robbie Sessions.

They will be presented with a special certificate at tomorrow’s assembly.

As has been the case over the past couple of years the results for the cross country teams’ event was very close. Again this year members of Bradman (Green House) enjoyed the news that their team had won the team’s event. Points are scored for the finishing position of every student: 1 - 10 = 10 points, 11 - 20 = 9 points, 21 - 30 = 8 points, etc. The final results for each team are then divided by the total number of students in that team to get an average point score for each student.

Team results were: 1st Bradman (Green) 421 points (5.85 points per team member)
2nd Frazer (Blue) 420 points (5.6 points)
3rd Clarke (Red) 392 points (5.23 points)
4th Freeman (Yellow) 377 points (5.1 points)

Congratulations to all the students in Bradman House for their efforts.

Well done to all participants as your efforts were fantastic and your encouragement and support made it a more enjoyable event for everybody. The older students participating in the District Cross Country event will now start some more training in preparation for the event which is to be held in a few weeks’ time on Thursday 2nd June, at the Barr Reserve.

Wendy Martin
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

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

PC  Alizay Johnson for creating a wonderful dinosaur skeleton using pasta shapes. Well done, Alizay!
P/1B  Cooper Grimshaw for being a helpful member of our class who is making good choices when finding a spot in the room to complete his learning tasks. Well done, Cooper. Keep it up!
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3/4V  Tyson Turner for the improvement shown in his application to all his learning activities. Well done!
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APPIN STAR AWARD

Emma McAuliffe for being an absolute pleasure to teach and have in the classroom. She brings to school a cheerful and positive attitude and is always willing to help those around her achieve their best. Congratulations, Emma!

Artist of the Week

Cameron Lovett for his enthusiastic approach to art sessions and for giving a difficult technique a go. Well done, Cameron.

Grade 1/2E for doing an amazing job packing up when we had a pretty messy art session.

Musician of the Week

Rieley Gratton for his fantastic effort in music.

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