Hi everyone

9 SLEEPS UNTIL THE FETE!!!

SIGNS OF SPRING… Thank you so much to our parent volunteers who have put in some work to beautify our grounds in preparation for Spring, and for the Fete. The Sessions family donated eye-catching black mulch and workers to help Alison & Mandy spread it around recently. Fiona Carson got stuck in to bring spring colour to a couple of garden beds. Stephen O’Gradey is working for us doing some handyman jobs and has sprayed and weeded areas to keep them under control.

WORKING BEE—SUNDAY 9-11am—All Welcome
BYO spade, broom, secateurs, whippersnapper, barrow etc. This working bee will focus on a general garden/playground tidy up. Come along and do your bit towards making our school grounds look their best for Spring. A list of jobs and a sign up sheet will be near the office. See you there.

THANK YOU!! We have received some great prizes to raffle at our fete. These prizes have been generously donated by school families and I am sure they will be much sought after on the day. Thank you!! If your business can help—please let Nicole know.

ATHS SPORTS DAY CHANGE: It was the first time in people’s memory that our Sports Day has had to be postponed. The Appin St complex is very waterlogged, and conditions were not safe for competition. APPA will not offer a second sausage sizzle on 12th September as there are already a Sleepover (P-2) and Footy Pie Day in that last week of term.

We will need lots of parent help on the day, as unfortunately the TAFE Sports & Recreation students who usually help are on placement at that time. Please let Wendy Martin know if you are available. Things like holding the measuring tapes or raking the jumping pits as you walk around the events with your child’s group is a really big help to teachers.

SECOND REVIEW DAY: This Monday the school reviewer and our panel will meet to develop goals for our next Strategic Plan. The first day (15th August) included discussion and celebration of the school’s progress over the past 4 years, and a chance for the panel to look around our classrooms. After Monday, the reviewer, Graham Bastian, will produce a report that will go to the Department of Education, and be presented to staff and School Council.

Dear Parents, Guardians, Friends

Lately we have seen a number of people bringing their dogs to school at either pick up or drop off time. Whilst the last thing we want to do is discourage you from walking your dog to collect the children at school, we do have a school policy of keeping dogs at the gate. This policy is not the fun police at work but unfortunately several years ago we had a child nipped by a family pet in the school yard. We also have a number of children who are frightened by dogs.

It would be appreciated if you arrange to meet your children on the pathway by the staff car park (just behind the office) when you have your dog with you. If you usually enter by the gate on the oval, your children could walk down to meet you there.

Regards
Andrew Lovett,
School Council President

Upcoming Events

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Event</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>28th Aug</td>
<td>Working Bee 9am-11am All welcome</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>29th Aug</td>
<td>Father’s Day Stall (extra gifts 30th August)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30th Aug</td>
<td>Playgroup: Multipurpose Room 9.30-11am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3rd Sept</td>
<td>SCHOOL FETE 10am-2pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12th Sept</td>
<td>School Athletics</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16th Sept</td>
<td>End of Term 3</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Wendy Larcombe
School Council President
**Literacy News**

**WRITER’S NOTEBOOKS**

Writer’s Notebooks are used throughout Appin Park on a regular basis during Writing Workshops. These notebooks are used to collect ideas for writing, to try new ways of writing, draw pictures to prompt their writing and to practise different writing genres. Writer’s Notebooks are rarely, if ever written in by class teachers because this is a student’s collection of writing samples demonstrating their thinking about different experiences, thoughts and observations. Students take great pride in their Writer’s Notebooks. Some students have continued to use them when they enter secondary school.

There was great excitement in Prep C and Prep/1 B this week with the launch of the student’s first Writer’s Notebooks. This week they have designed a front cover and completed “Heart Mapping”. This involved thinking and drawing pictures of things that matter most to them. For example: people, places, pets, what they like to do or toys they play with. Today students chose one of the pictures from their heart to write about.

**Numeracy News**

Grade 5/6 students have been investigating ‘chance’ in their numeracy sessions this week. Students were engaged and having lots of fun in this card game that requires very clever predication in order to increase their chances of winning.

Some advice from Josh Sgarioto: “The odds of you winning the upcoming 10 million dollar Powerball draw is very unlikely because so many people will be entering. The chance of winning a Division One prize is 1 in 76,767,600! Maybe save up your money and spend it at our fete next weekend!”

**Music News**

In preparation for the Count Us In Festival we have been practising the song Let it Play. Several students have asked how to access the song at home. The link is: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FMJgxtx_kxb or go to Youtube and search: Count us in 2016

Grade 5 students will join other schools in the Riverside Precinct on November 3rd as part of this national event. Notes will come home early next term with details.

**Upcoming Assembly Performances:**

- 3/4V - 26th August
- 2R - 2nd September
- Tristan & Josh - 9th September
- Grade 6 - 16th September

**From The Chaplain…**

**Seventeen Words**

At a retirement dinner for a successful executive, there was a lot of good-hearted teasing of the guest of honour before he got up to speak. He told a few jokes of his own, before he started to reminisce about his successes and failures, and the reasons behind them. ‘Let me tell you why I’ve enjoyed such success’ he said. ‘Years ago I had a great boss and mentor. One day he gave me his business card. On the back, he’d written seventeen words. He told me that whenever he had a tough decision to make, or was in a predicament, he’d read each of these words. Each time he did, something amazing would happen: one of the words would jump out at him and steer him in the right direction. He told me that for forty years these seventeen words never failed him. And I’m here tonight to tell you that in the last forty years, they’ve never failed me either.’ Then he passed out his business cards, and here’s what was written on the back of each one: (Read each one slowly and thoughtfully). The seventeen words that will never fail you are: prepare, listen, smile, love, choose, focus, believe, relax, act, forgive, pray, trust, change, persist, accept, risk, wait!

And now the power of these seventeen words has been passed on to you! Until next time,

Chaplain Dave
**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**
The Appin Park Community congratulates you.
Students will be awarded their certificates at Friday’s Assembly.

- **PC** Mia Gambrell for the great improvement she has made in recognising and naming the letters in our alphabet. Well done, Mia!
- **P/1B** Cooper Grimshaw for the fantastic effort he has put into learning his letters. Well done, Cooper!
- **1/2E** Zac Grace for being a helpful classroom monitor. He carries out his duties responsibly and efficiently. Keep up the great work, Zac.
- **2R** James Long for being a quiet achiever who always does his best. The work he completes is creative and beautifully presented.
- **3/4G** Jaxsun Williams for impressing with his knowledge on fractions during our maths lessons. Keep it up, Jaxsun.
- **3/4V** Grade 3/4V for working so hard on their fractions this week!
- **5K** April Shimura for continually providing positive feedback and answers during our class discussions. Keep it up, April.
- **5S** Chloe York for being a very considerate class member who is always looking out for her friends and treating those around her with respect and kindness. Well done, Chloe!
- **6A** Alex Pitt for applying himself well to his studies and showing great improvement in both numeracy and literacy. Well done, Alex. Keep up the great work!
- **6G** Emily Doig for showing strong strategic thinking when completing maths problem solving activities.

**APPIN STAR AWARD**

- **Jordan Gosbell** for his assistance and attitude during the 5/6 sleepover. Jordan helped with jobs throughout the night and was consistently a positive role model for his peers.
- **Ailie Witting** for having a very positive attitude towards her learning in the classroom. She is an enthusiastic worker who always works to the best of her ability.

**SPORTS AWARD**

- **Lizzy Moffat** for showing a great understanding of strategies required when learning a new game. Her awareness of what was happening around her helped her team to stay in the game.

**Artist of the Week**

- **Samia Meloury** for her careful and creative planning when painting her “hot plate”. Great effort, Samia.

**Donations Please**

Would you like to assist with the fete but can’t be there on the day? We need butter and grated cheese for the Baked Potato Stall. Please see Heather Foster if you are able to donate these items.

**The Father’s Day stall will be held on Monday 29th & Tuesday 30th August. All gifts $4.**

**Fruit Roster 26th August:**
Annette Blanchfield & Lisa Bell

**HOURS OF SUPERVISION:** Our onsite supervision policy covers the school day between 8.45am-3.55pm. Parents should ensure that children are not at school too early.
Cake Stall Update

Thank you to all the families who have offered to bake cakes, slices or biscuits for our cake stall. These can be dropped off to Room 2 on Friday, 2nd September. We can refrigerate your goodies overnight if needed. If you are planning on packaging your goodies yourself, you can please place them on to small disposable plates eg. 6 cup cakes or 6-8 bits of slice depending on size. We need to label all the ingredients in products, so below are tags that can be used and attached to the top of your product/s. You can make your own tags if you would prefer. Unfortunately, we can’t sell products that don’t have ingredients listed. Happy baking, and thanks again for your support, it is greatly appreciated.

Jo Beattie

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>FOR EXAMPLE</th>
<th>Product: Chocolate Cake</th>
<th>Product:</th>
<th>Product:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ingredients:</td>
<td>SR flour</td>
<td>Ingredients:</td>
<td>Ingredients:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Sugar</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Cocoa</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Butter</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Eggs</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Vanilla essence</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Milk</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

If you would prefer, just circle the ingredients below that you have used and add any extra to the bottom.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Product:</th>
<th>Product:</th>
<th>Product:</th>
<th>Product:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ingredients:</td>
<td>Ingredients:</td>
<td>Ingredients:</td>
<td>Ingredients:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Butter</td>
<td>Eggs</td>
<td>Butter</td>
<td>Eggs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Eggs</td>
<td>Milk</td>
<td>Eggs</td>
<td>Milk</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Milk</td>
<td>Sugar</td>
<td>Milk</td>
<td>Sugar</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sugar</td>
<td>Plain flour/ SR flour</td>
<td>Plain flour/ SR flour</td>
<td>Plain flour/ SR flour</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Salt</td>
<td>Vanilla essence</td>
<td>Salt</td>
<td>Vanilla essence</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

WANTED:

Helpers to ‘letterbox drop’ our Fete flyer around Wangaratta. This could be a chance for the whole family to go for a walk… dropping leaflets in letterboxes as you go.

Please call into the office to collect some flyers, and to let Nicole know which streets you can cover. Anytime from this weekend onwards would be a BIG HELP!!
Primary Schools Regional Netball Championships

Last Friday, under wet conditions, 16 Grade 6 boys and girls attended the Regional Netball Championships, held at the Barr Reserve. The girls’ team began their day with a solid win, but then met some strong opposition in the next couple of games. Although they lost these games, their desire to attack the ball and play hard never faulted. Their day finished with a couple of wins and 3 losses. This team consisted of Kelly Kirschmann, Lily Donald, Izzy Nish, Bronte Huggins, Millie Carson, Maddy Corker, Hannah Snowdon and Emma Crawford.

The boys’ team also began their day with a comfortable win, which set the trend for the rest of the day. Their understanding of the game and the skills required, certainly consolidated throughout the day. Their ball movement, passing and defensive pressure allowed them to control the majority of the time that they were on the court. This team consisted of Logan Wright, Alex Pitt, Braeden Marjanovic, Brodie Watson, Ryan Battin, Luke Grady, Flynn Cawood and Mitchell Huggins. These boys will now travel to Melbourne next Wednesday to compete in the State Championships. All the best for the next level of competition, boys.

Thanks to Trec Donald who helped with the coaching of the girls’ team and to the parents who were able to come down and support the teams. Your encouragement was really appreciated.

Dancing Competitions

Recently a number of our students have been participating in local and state dance competitions. Amber Delahunty performed very well at the Wangaratta Headliner Dance Competition, where she was awarded the Under 12 aggregate and also came 3rd in both the jazz and hip hop championship solo section.

Lachlan Newton performed in the Hollywood Bound competition, held in Melbourne. This event allows the top place getters to perform at National level. Lachlan performed in 3 solo dances as well as 4 troupe dances. He placed first in both his jazz and contemporary dances.

Congratulations to both of these Grade 6 students and all the best for the next competition that you perform in.

Netball

There are still a number of girls who have not returned their netball skirts / netball dresses. Please wash (iron the skirts) and return these to Mrs Martin (in a labelled plastic bag) before the end of next week.

Athletics

Due to the postponement of our Athletic Sports Day yesterday, we need an indication of parents who are able to help out on our new day, Monday 12th September. Please let Mrs Martin know, or email the school: appin.park.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au, if you are available to help in any way.

I am able to help with

[ ] timing, [ ] high jump, [ ] triple / long jump

[ ] shotput, [ ] an age group

Parent Name: ____________________________ Phone No: ____________________

Child: ____________________________ Grade: ____________________
Would you like to advertise your business in this space?
Call in to the office for more information.