



Upcoming Dates

AUG	Thursday 4th	Hockey 7s @ Dimboola
	Friday 5th	Athletics Carnival
	Monday 8th	School Photos
	Tuesday 16th	Kinder Visit 10.45am - 11.45pm
	Friday 19th	Pupil Free Day
	Monday 22nd - Friday 26th	Book Week/Book Fair
SEP	Friday 2nd	Father's Day Football Match
	Thursday 15th	School concert @ 7pm
	Friday 16th	Last Day of Term 3

Birthdays

We hope that Tiana Schubert had a very Happy Birthday for Tuesday 2nd August. We also wish the following students a very Happy Birthday:

- * Rachel Reichelt Saturday 6th August.
- * Caleb Zanker Monday 8th August



From the Principal

I was so impressed with the positive attitude, willingness to work hard and teamwork displayed by our senior students last week when they bagged sheep manure to raise money for the Maw Par Koh orphanage in Myanmar. The students worked so hard to fill 400 bags (achieved before 1pm!) which are now for sale to the community for a cost of \$3.00 each. The sheep manure can be purchased out the front of the school or call the school to arrange free local delivery for any orders of 10+ bags. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Croot and Mr Pritchard for assisting our students achieve such an incredible effort!

Our junior students also displayed exemplary behaviour during their excursion to Brambuk in Halls Gap last Friday. It has been wonderful to hear all that they have learnt about Aboriginal Culture. Thank you to our staff members Mrs Koop, Mrs Alexander and Miss Keller for organising such a great excursion for our students and to Mrs Bandel for assisting on the day. The Year 2 students also had their sleepover last week and enjoyed a fun night.

On Monday, our students enjoyed a production at St. Patrick's School which was a musical adaptation of Anna Walker's picture book; Mr Huff. Mr Huff is one of the books that has been shortlisted for the CBCA Young Readers Book of The Year Award. Mr Huff is a story about the clouds and the sunshine in each of our lives. The production taught that a bad day doesn't last forever! All the students enjoyed the show and whilst learning about key life skills. Thank you to St. Patrick's for inviting us to this very worthwhile production.

This week, students are very excited to welcome 'Sooty' the lamb as a new addition to the mini farm. We called him Sooty because he has black speckles on his nose and legs.

We are also very excited to have a new fence in the mini farm area so that our vegetables do not get nibbled! Thank you so much to Mr Stephen Zanker, Mr Daryl Zanker and Mr Mick Koop for installing our wonderful new fence! It looks terrific!

This Friday is our School Athletic Sport's Day. Please see the separate note in the newsletter for details about the day. We encourage all parents, grandparents and friends to come along throughout the day to support and cheer the students on! Thank you in advance to Mr Pritchard and all the parent helpers who have offered to assist on the day. Our students appreciate your willingness to help run such a fantastic event.

Yours with Christ,
Tara Pritchard

Devotional Thought

PROCRASTINATE AND YOU'LL BE TOO LATE!

Over the years there has been many predictions about when the end of the earth will take place and speculation over the exact date when Jesus will return—despite Jesus himself teaching: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority" (Acts 1:7) and "No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father" (Mark 13:32-33). Among the most recent predictions was October 21, 2011 by a church in Ghana.

Imagine if we did know the exact date that Jesus was coming again—for argument's sake, let's say July 10, 2020—would there be the temptation to be complacent with our spiritual lives and neglect God, before then turning to him at midnight on July 9? Would that really be what God requires of us?

It is for our good that we don't know the day or the hour of Jesus' return. Nonetheless, it is the natural human condition to be complacent about God. We might figure that we have plenty of time before we die to worry about having our life right with God—that we can worry about him tomorrow, or next year, or 'later'...whenever that is. Many think they can worry about their relationship with God when they reach 'a ripe old age'. The problem is we're not guaranteed to live to a ripe old age—the evening news each day testifies to that. This was really what Jesus was teaching in last Sunday's Gospel reading from Luke 12:13-21. The rich man stored up his wealth and told himself that he had riches to enjoy *for many years*.

Wealth was the priority in his life and he had completely neglected God. God told him: "*Tonight*, your very life will be demanded from you." In this Sunday's Gospel reading Jesus cautions us to start thinking about our relationship with God *today*: "You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him" (Luke 12:40). Jesus' words are an invitation to be prepared through faith—watching and waiting for his return as though it could be any minute—so that we do not miss out on life with him in heavenly glory. We are ready for Jesus' return when we turn to him acknowledging our need for his forgiveness. And we are ready when we trust his promise: that whoever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

Jesus' words are also an invitation so that we do not miss out on life with him *now*—to live *now* by faith and hope, seeing even trials as means for God to grow our faith as we learn our utter dependence on him. As the Apostle Paul says in 2 Corinthians 6:2: "Now is the time of God's favour, now is the day of salvation—God is with us *now*, so the time to trust in God's care for you and rejoice in his unconditional love and grace for you is at this very moment—and each and every moment in our lives.

Pastor Tim

Chapel



Due to the Athletics on tomorrow, there will be no Chapel. Instead we will have a whole school devotion.

Worship News

Please see below for this week's church service times;

Nhill: 10am, 6pm Sunday Nite
followed by 7pm tea

Woorak: 9am



Prayer of the Week

Each week we pray for someone in our School Community. This week we pray for.....

- ♦ Joel and Zoa Mock and their family

School Event News

School Photos

Just a reminder about School Photos which are happening **this** Monday (8th August). To ensure your child doesn't miss out on them, please return the order form **before Monday**. If you have lost the order form, please see the front office for a new envelope. If you would like to have family photos you will also need to see Miss Keller at the office, to get a special order form. Students are to wear **correct full school uniform**. Students are **not** to wear their Sports Uniform. New or old uniform is appropriate.

Reading Challenge

A reminder to students who registered to participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge to continue making a list of the books they have read, and strive to achieve the challenge. A list of the challenge books can be found at <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/events/prc/Pages/booklist.aspx>.

CHALK & Parent Direct Fundraising

In Term 3 each year the School receives fundraising catalogues from companies that we purchase supplies from. The catalogues have been sent home this week and contain various different learning and fun toys that are a great idea for Christmas or Birthday presents. Parents have the opportunity to purchase the products by filling out the order form and returning it to the School. If you have any questions or require extra catalogues for family or friends, please see Miss Keller. Twenty cents of every dollar you spend will be donated back to our School to spend on educational resources.



Book Fair

This year the School will again be holding the Book Fair. The Book Fair will run from Monday 22nd August - Friday 26th August and will be open daily from 8.30am-4pm.

Uniform

There is a Size 4 new school jumper in the front office that has been picked up, and is unnamed. We ask that everyone please names their uniform.

Maintenance Roster

The purpose of this roster, is if there are any small maintenance issues that arise in your month, you may be called upon to help. The first name in bold will be the leader for the two months that they are rostered on for. The school will call them and if they require additional help, they may call the unbolded names.

Thank you for your help.

July/August 2016

Michael Koop, Tim Ebbs, Peter Bone, Adam Clark



For Sale

The SRC is currently selling eggs. The eggs are \$4 per dozen, and can be purchased at the front office. Currently we have 6 dozen



Sports News

The Athletics Carnival will be held **tomorrow** on the School Oval. Please feel free to invite as many family members as possible to help cheer on the students. Students have the option to wear either a t-shirt of their house colour, or normal Sports polo with black track pants or shorts. The P&F will provide a fruit platter for students at recess **however** students will still need to bring their own snacks, lunch and water bottles. The day will run as follows:

9am: Whole School Devotion

9.05am: Athletics Commence

11.00am-11.15am: Recess Break

Approx 1.15pm: Lunch Break

Afternoon: Hurdles and relays



Get 'em Going

Get 'em Going is on again next Tuesday 9th August from 9.30am-11am. New and old faces are invited to attend. Please remember to bring along



- * A bottle of water
- * Piece of fruit for snack
- * A gold coin donation
- * Your Get 'em Going Visualisation book. (If you are new to the program you will receive this on the day.)

Jumper Washing Instructions

Please see below to assist with the washing of the school jumpers to ensure quality remains high.

Hand wash in a large tub of cold water - Do not use bleach or bleach products. Do not leave soaking. Rinse out immediately in large amount of clean water and spin excess water from garments in machine. Hang out immediately out of direct sunlight. For dark colours use salt in water to reduce the colour run. Any excess heat will cause shrinkage and effect colour.

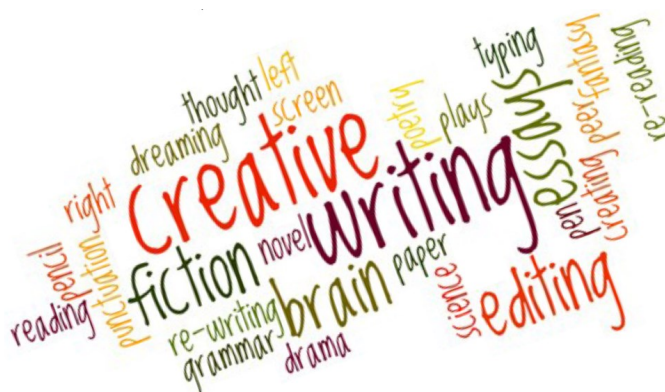
Please note that some new front loader machines use very little water, which will have an adverse effect on mixed dark and light colours - suggest first wash by hand in large amount of water to dilute any excess dye to reduce any bleeding. Follow the above instructions to spinout any excess water and hang out immediately.

Do not tumble dry.



The new animal enclosure being built by Steve Zanker, Mick Koop and Darryl Zanker. Looks fantastic!

Writing Competition



The Wimmera Regional Library Corporation is running a Writing Competitions for Adults, Secondary Students and Primary Students. The aim is to encourage people of all ages to write and develop their skills in the art of writing. This year there will be no theme so let your imagination run wild! The Library allows multiple entries which may be in more than one category. The writer's identity is withheld from the judges meaning, one writer may receive more than one award.

Prizes are as follows:

Adults:

1st: \$300 2nd: \$200 3rd: \$100

Secondary Students

1st: \$200 2nd: \$150 3rd: \$100

Primary Students (4-6)

1st: \$40 2nd: \$30 3rd: \$20

Primary Students (P-3)

1st: \$30 2nd: \$20 3rd: \$10

Entries must be submitted by Friday 9th September to any WRLC branch libraries. For further information and entry forms please contact the front office.

Sponsorship Child

Our total funds raised so far is \$291.70. We appreciate your help! Wakiaxong Pawang will be turning 12 in the next couple of weeks. We wish him a safe and Happy Birthday!



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