Wonthaggi Primary School News

From the Principal

I would like to wish all our families and community a safe and happy term break. The holidays are a wonderful chance to refresh, recharge, rest and catch up with family and friends. I will look forward to seeing everyone back in Term 4 for a busy and productive term.

OUR BREAKFAST PROGRAM IS BACK

We are pleased to announce that we have been able to restart our Breakfast Program starting this Term. The Breakfast Program will be coordinated by Ross Standford, Inter-Church Council of Wonthaggi together with our School Council. It is a free event, each Friday for all children at the school, and starts from 8:30am in the Art Room. Connell’s Bakery, Rotary and Lions continue to partner with our school for this program. Parent/community volunteers are always welcome to help out. If you are interested please let the office know. All volunteers will be expected to have an active Working with Children’s card.

This week we have celebrated our DOLPHIN AWARD Winners who have displayed “perseverance” in their learning journey.

KIDZ MINI-MUDDA

It’s time to register for the 2nd Annual Kidz Mini Mudda on 31st October (Saturday of the Cup Weekend). The first 200 participant entrants will receive a free event t-shirt. Invite your friends, family and neighbours to this unique children’s event. See the attached flyer, you can register via the office or through the link on the WEBSITE or via our FACEBOOK page.

The Ability to Persist (Keep going) at a task

There are numerous times every day when children must persist rather than give up. A young child learning to tie shoe laces must persist. A primary aged student must show determination to finish tasks and a secondary student needs to work through difficulties, particularly those they don’t understand or complete right away. We all need to be able to persist when work gets hard or life gets tough. We need the ‘stickability’ to work through difficulties and hang in there when things don’t go our way. Some children are more naturally predisposed to persist than others. We need the ‘stickability’ to work through difficulties and hang in there when things don’t go our way. Some children are more naturally predisposed to persist than others.

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Here are four practical strategies you can use to promote a sense of persistence for your children:

1. Develop a language for persistence. Words like “Hang tough”, “Work Hard” and “Hang in there” can become part of their everyday words.
2. Point out to children when they stick at a task. Most parents know it pays off when they catch their children being good but it also pays off to catch them being persistent. The behaviours you focus on as parents expand so let them know when they have been persistent. Also remind them that persistence generally pays off.
3. Help children to remember times when they experienced success by HANGING IN THERE when they were younger. Let them know that persistence has paid off before and it will again.
4. Talk about HARD WORK with your children. They need to understand that to be successful they need to do things that are NOT always fun or easy. While it would be good if all work and learning was fun, in reality, this is not always the case.

“It’s not that I’m so smart, it’s just that I stay with problems longer.”

Albert Einstein

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Join AFL Gippsland for a full day of fun and fine our school holidays!

TWO VENUES! See attached flyer for more information and to secure your spot now!

Hurry limited registrations

VENUE 1 – FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

VENUE 2 – FRIDAY 2 OCTOBER

Bass Coast Primary School

Vivonne Bay Reserve

Glen Alvie Cricket Club

Donations to Wonthaggi

Vinnies

Do you have unwanted items that are in nice condition? We urgently need these in a time, toys, furniture & furnishings.

Please bring donations to our Vivonne Centre 555 Bream Street Wonthaggi.

We are always happy to collect your donations so please call 0417518197.

Free LED down lights.

No cost. No effort.

Switch to Save.

Replace your old, energy-hungry tungsten down lights with energy-efficient LED down lights installed in your house or business for FREE!

It’s called Switch to Save, and it can save you more than $900 a year on your power bill.

We’ll even donate $1 for every down light replaced in your community to a local school’s wastemate project.

18th September, 2015

FOR YOUR DIARY

OCTOBER

SUNDAY 4th

• Daylight Savings Starts - Put clocks forward 1 hour at 1am.

MONDAY 5th

• First Day of Term 4.

TUESDAY 13th

• Regional Athletics @ Newborough.

SATURDAY 31st

• Kidz Mini Mudda 2015.

NOVEMBER

MONDAY 2nd

• Staff Professional Learning Day – students not required at school.

SUNSTARTED ON TUESDAY

1st SEPTEMBER.

WEAR YOUR SCHOOL HAT

If you have lost your hat, a new hat can be purchased at the office, broad brimmed hats are $8.30 and bucket hats are $9.00. Remember No Hats—No Play.

LEAP INTO LEARNING - Weekly

- TUESDAY - 9:30AM -12:00PM
- WEDNESDAY - 9:30AM -12:00PM
- THURSDAY - 9:30AM -12:00PM

BILLSON STREET SINGERS - Mondays

- Every Monday - 2:00pm in the Music Room.
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Ruth Chambers
Music Teacher

**IN SPORT**

**Division Athletics**

Last Thursday 10th September, 11 Wonthaggi Primary School students competed in the South Gippsland Divisional Athletics Carnival held at MacKillop College, Leongatha. The students who attended the athletics behaved exceptionally well and encouraged each other to do their best. All students performed very well and we have 5 students progressing to the Gippsland Regional Athletics Carnival to be held at the Joe Carmody Athletics Track Newborough on Tuesday 13th October. Best of luck to Vu I-M, Maya F, Kyle Y, Danielle F and Jai W.

**State T-Ball**

On Wednesday 9th September our Girls and Boys Gippsland T-Ball Champions went to Jells Park. Glen Waverly, to take part in the State T-Ball Finals. 8 boys and 8 girls schools from around the State took part in a Round Robin format. The WPS Girls team of Vu M, Zara H, Khiana F, Alicia S, Charlii H, Margaret W, Cloe B, Tess B, Catherine M, Sandra G, Jasmin A, Shay C and Hayley R had developed the tactics, skill and knowledge of the game to take part in the days competition. The results of the 3 Round Robin matches were:

- Tylden PS 12 – WPS 30
- St Albans PS (eventual champions) 40 - WPS 7
- Strathmore North PS (eventual champions) 14 – WPS 1
- Rangeview PS 16 – WPS 19
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- Rangeview PS 27 – WPS 11
- Romsey PS 6 – WPS 16

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**READING AWARDS**

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| Credits: | Yr 5: Jasmin A, Julia N, Lola MW | Yr 6: Zara H, Charlii H |
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| S | Yr 6: Jesse C |

**UNSW TESTING AWARDS**

| Merit: |
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**Science**

| Merit: | Yr 3: Seb O |

**DOLPHIN AWARDS**

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Principal

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**Unorganised Test Awards**

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**Attendance Awards**

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The WPS Boys team consisted of Brodie M, Braden A, Dustin B, Rony M, Lachlan D, Euan C, Luke O, Liam S, Matt G, Nate B, Paul F and Bailey H. The results of the 3 round robin matches were:

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I would like to thank the Parents and Friends who came to Jells Park to support both girls and boys team. It was much appreciated.

District Softball is in week 3 of next term and hopefully these students take what they have learnt from T-Ball into this.

Will Rankin
Sports Teacher

**Parents and Friends**

**Skip a Thon**

Prizes for the ‘Skip-a-thon’ will now be awarded at the first assembly in Term 4, Wednesday 7th October. So far we have raised over $2000 towards the Solar Heating for our pool. Anyone who has not returned their sponsorship forms and money, please do so before Tuesday 6th October so you don’t miss out and we can finalise the winners. The class prize for the most raised will be getting a healthy selection of goodies from Connells Bakery. There is one major prize for most money raised and 14 class raffle prizes for those who have handed money and sponsorship forms in. Every child will receive a prize for participating.

Please show your support to these 20 business who donated to our 2015 skip a thon;-

Thankyou to everyone for your support and have a safe and enjoyable holiday.

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