NEWSLETTER 14 – Week ending 16th May, 2014

IMPORTANT DATES - TERM 2

MAY
Friday 16th
Grade 5/6 Bike Ride to Milawa
Grade 3/4 Hawthorn FC in Wangaratta
AAS – Skateboarding

Monday 19th
ART – Seniors

Tuesday 20th
AAS – Karate

Wednesday 21st
ART – Juniors

Thursday 22nd
Italian
AAS – Skateboarding

Thurs/Fri 22/23
GRADE 5/6 BIKE HIKE

Monday 26th
Library/Science
Principal’s Conference

Tuesday 27th
Principal’s Conference
Bluearth
AAS – Karate

Wednesday 28th
Young Leaders – Albury
Italian
AAS – Skateboarding

Thursday 29th
Cluster Day & Cross Country at Whorouly

Friday 30th

JUNE
Friday 6th
Zone Cross Country

Monday 9th
AUGUST
QUEENS BIRTHDAY

Saturday 23rd
FAMILY EVENT – Save the date!!!!!!!!

BIRTHDAYS
Happy birthday this week to Xavier Laverty and Alexandra Uebergang. We hope you had a great day!

THANK YOU HUME
Recently I have been writing letters requesting donations to support our Lift Literacy through the Roof project. We are very pleased that Hume Building Society of Wangaratta (soon to be Hume Bank) are on board and have donated $1000 to go towards books for this project. A huge thank you to Hume for this donation.

HAWKS IN WANGARATTA
Tomorrow the Year 3/4 students will travel into Wangaratta Showgrounds for a footy clinic with Hawthorn FC.
Students are invited to wear their footy gear and appropriate footwear. If it is wet please send along a change of clothes/shoes and a plastic bag.

PRINCIPALS REPORT

NAPLAN
This week the Year 3 & 5 students completed the National Assessment Program on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.
The NAPLAN tests cover literacy (reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.
The NAPLAN tests are one of the many assessments that we complete to measure whether or not young Australians are meeting important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy. They provide parents with an understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the tests and which areas need to be prioritised for improvement in schools.
The NAPLAN tests are conducted at school and administered by classroom teachers and
are stored in a lockable room so no access can be made prior to the testing dates. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test. Individual student performance is shown on a national achievement scale for each test. If you would like further information on NAPLAN tests please visit www.nap.edu.au

The year 3 and 5 students were give fliers on Tuesday to take home to share with their parents.

HERE ARE SOME HELPFUL TIPS TO MAKE MATHS FUN AT HOME

Recipes
Collect and read recipes and discuss the use of fractions, millimetres and grams. Encourage your child to make accurate measurements using measuring cups and spoons.

Discuss how you would double a recipe. Encourage your child to record the new measurements for the recipe.

Identify the temperature and cooking time on the recipe.

Estimate the cost to buy all the ingredients to make the recipe.

Make a list of the abbreviations used in the recipe and then write them in full, for example, L for litre, mL for millilitre, tsp for teaspoon, tbs for tablespoon.

Catalogues
Use your catalogues to discuss the cost of items.

How would you spend $40 from a catalogue?

How many products can you buy for $40?

Select five products from the catalogue then calculate what the cost be if there was a 50% sale. Does it make a difference if you add up the items, and then deduct 50%, or if each item is reduced by 50% then totalled?

What is the best value sale item in the catalogue? Can you explain your reasoning?

What are the cheapest and most expensive items in your catalogue?

Compare the cost of a product across different stores using different catalogues. What did you find?

Travel timetables
Read timetable with your children if you are ever on holidays with them and a timetable is nearby.

Can you identify your starting point on the timetable?

What is the earliest and latest time to travel on this route? What is the difference?

How long does it take to travel the entire route?

How many stops are there on this route?

What is the difference in the time travelled when not making all stops?

What is the cost? Is it good value compared to other travel options?

WEBSITE
One of our goals for School Council was to update our school website and to make it professional and to promote what is happening at Oxley PS. Slowly we will be updating this site. The school newsletter is now available on the website. So if the newsletter gets eaten by a rotten banana or lost in transit visit www.oxleyps.vic.edu.au to get a new one! By the end of the week we are hoping to have all previous newsletters uploaded from 2014 so if you need any information you will be able to find it there.

Jeremy Campbell
“Committed to nurturing confident, lifelong learners in a friendly rural community”

ANGELSEA CAMP 2014
This year the year 5 and 6 group will be heading to Anglesea for their camp from the 2nd to 5th September. At this stage the camp will cost approx. $330. If you would like to set up a payment plan for the camp please see Jaye.

SOVEREIGN HILL 2014
This year the year 3 and 4 students are in for a change and will be heading to Sovereign Hill on 10th to 12th December for their camp. If you would like to set up a payment plan for the camp please see Jaye. The costing will be finalised by the end of the term as Carraragarmungee PS are looking after the organising of this cluster camp.

PARENT HELPERS NEEDED
We have just purchased lots of new readers for the school and we need your help! We need to cover these books. It is very easy and Julie has all the equipment you require. This job can be done at school or home. If you can help please see Julie Batey.
YEAR 5 & 6 BIKE HIKE
A reminder to parents that the Bike Hike is $40 per student and is due now.

YEAR 2/3/4 VISIT THE OXLEY PANTRY
This afternoon the Year 2, 3 & 4 students visited the Oxley Pantry to learn firsthand about money and the way it works. They brought $5.00 in coins and needed to work out what they could buy, what the costs were and how much change they would receive. The results were lots of happy faces and full belly’s! Thank you to Shelley and Jason for accommodating this group.
AROUND OXLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

GRADE PREP & ONE ARE STUDYING EVERYTHING ABOUT TURTLES.
THE RESULTS ARE AMAZING!!!

LA CANTINA FESTIVAL
7th & 8th June, 2014
Preservative Free Wines Free Entertainment
Homemade Italian Food Come for a great weekend!
54 Honeys Lane, KING VALLEY

2015 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS
Enrolments for 3 and 4 year old Kindergarten in 2015 are being taken from May 19th. Enrolment forms can be downloaded from the North East Regional Pre School Association (NERPSA) web site (www.nerpsa.com.au), collected from the open day sessions or NERPSA. Forms need to be returned to NERPSA, 1 Handley Street, Wangaratta 3677 by 25th July, 2014. Late applications may be placed on a waiting list. For more details visit the website.