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NEWSLETTER 3 – Week ending 13th February

IMPORTANT DATES
NEXT WEEK

Thursday 12th  School Council
          TONIGHT 7.30pm
Monday 16th Library/Science
          NO PREPS
Wednesday 18th Wangaratta Fun Run
Sunday 22nd
Monday 23rd  ART – seniors
               NO PREPS
Wednesday 25th ART – Juniors

BIRTHDAYS
Happy birthday to the following students that celebrated their birthdays this week: Zach Vincent. We hope you have a great day

BUS TRAVELLERS - IMPORTANT
A request has been made by the bus coordinator at Wangaratta HS that ALL students travelling by bus please have identification on their bags. They have asked that student’s name, address, phone number and what bus they travel on by attached to the students bag so that if they or the bag is lost it can be returned. Recently a young child missed their bus (not at Oxley) and was so stressed that they were unable to give the vital information required to be helped quickly. Thank you.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE (OOSH)
Welcome back to a new year of After School Care at Kid Bizz. After School Care is available to students from 3.30 pm to 6.00 pm for parents/guardians that require care for their children after school hours.
Students are collected from their classrooms after 3.30 pm by an OOSH employee (usually Helen or Bec) and taken to the OOSH room. Here they will be given a delicious and healthy snack prepared fresh by Helen or Bec.
If you require this service please notify the school prior to end of classes. Bookings are essential and are taken via the phone or in the school office. If you need to cancel your booking, please notify by 3.00 pm. If a student is not collected by bus time 3.50pm, they will be brought into After School Care and fees will apply. Fees for 2015 are as follows: 1hr = $7.50 and 1-2.5hrs = $15.00. This amount is the full charge. If you are eligible for CCB this amount will decrease dramatically. Please see Jaye, Bec or Helen if you would like any further information or an enrolment form.

PRINCIPALS REPORT
Whole School Unit of Work
Last week and this week some of the students interviewed their grandparents or elderly neighbours about what waste was produced in the good old days. I have found it fascinating to read some of the responses that the students have found out and have decided to share them with the entire community.
Alex Philpott interviewed his grandfather who is 81 years old, Poppy Philpott. Below are his responses.
Q: What foods are new to you in our supermarkets compared to when you were a kid?
A: When I was a child there were no supermarkets where I lived. We lived out of town and used to grow most of our food. We went into town once a fortnight on the horse and sulky. There were small shops rather than a large supermarket. We didn’t buy bread like you do we use to buy a bag of wheat that a man crushed for us. He would keep the bran and we would get the flour at
no charge. He would package it in a big bag for us to take home.

Q: Did you get your milk delivered in glass?
A: No. We use to milk our own cow. Every night I had to lock the calf up so that the cow had some milk in the mornings. My mother used a separator to get the cream from the milk and make the butter.

Q: How was your meat packaged?
A: We lived on a farm so we use to kill our own meat, there was no packaging. We only killed meat as we needed it. I use to kill rabbits so that Mum could cook them. We use to have a meat cast that contained salt and water to store our fresh meat.

Q: How did you freeze your food?
A: We didn’t have a refrigerator, freezer or a television as we didn’t have electricity. We used a drip safe to store our food, where a water container sat on top of the chest and water dripped down through charcoal around the chest to keep the food cool.

People who lived in town used to have an ice chest and a man used to deliver blocks of ice to people’s homes. If food wasn’t fresh it was usually stored in a can.

This is just an example of the many great responses to the answers that the kids have asked their grandparents about waste and what use to happen to waste products in past times.

As part of the unit of work we have also been graphing the waste in our daily lunch boxes. Below are the results to date.

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Next week we will continue to graph the waste to compare it to results received this week. Tuesday 17th February will be a totally **nude lunch box day** where each student aims to have no waste in their lunch box. Some helpful hints in reducing rubbish and also cost is to buy in bulk and put into containers eg. chips, yoghurt, fruit.

**Affirmations Board**

We introduced our Affirmation Board last year as part of student’s health and wellbeing. The Oxley Pantry supported this initiative by supplying the Affirmation of the Month with a voucher to spend at their shop.

Students, staff and parents are welcome to write on this wall and share.

Last month’s winner was Jada Ryan nominated by Mrs Batey:

“Jada wrote a letter to Santa and asked him to give one of her presents to a kid who hasn’t got many presents.”

Congratulations Jada.

Affirmation for thought:

> I’ve learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.

> *Maez Angelou*

**School Council**

The next school council meeting will be held **tonight, Thursday 12th February, at 7.30pm**. This meeting will be with the members from last year’s school council. Thank you to Pam who is organising some nibbles for the meeting.

**Bush Dance – Welcome Back**

Please put Saturday the 21st of March in your diaries for the Oxley Community Bush Dance which will be run by the Oxley Primary School. This event was a fantastic family event last year and we hope to build it into an entire community event each year.

More information about this event will be sent out next week.

**Jeremy Campbell – Principal**

Oxley Primary School is committed to Nurturing confident, lifelong learners, in a friendly rural community.
HELP - NUTS
We are heading in the right direction and appreciate everybody's assistance in reaching our goal of making Oxley Primary NUT FREE or as nut free as we can get! Please continue to cut out any nut products that you send with your child to school – this includes peanut butter.

ART FOLIOS
Year prep, one and two students were lucky enough to take home their art folders from last year. If these are not full could they please come back to school to put all this year’s wonderful pieces in to.

Thank you Ros – ART teacher

OUR PREPS ARE SETTLING IN!

GUITAR LESSONS
If you are interested in learning guitar, lessons are being held at school on Mondays. If you are interested please call Michael on 0447 617 880

PIANO LESSONS
Piano Lessons start next week Tuesday 17th and Thursday 19th. Tuesday lessons- Abby, Rori, Leticia, Sienna, Nicole, James. Thursday lessons - Julia, Andrea, Lucy. At the end of the term we are going to put on a concert for you which will be all duets and Jazz! I still have a little room to fit in some more pupils, so if you would like your child to start piano lessons, give me a ring on 57269384 or 0403 884 348.

Heather Miles

2015 FEES
Information regarding fees will be in next week’s newsletter.
If you would like to set up a payment plan please see Jaye.

COMMUNITY NEWS

WANGARATTA HOCKEY CLUB
A club dedicated to fun and fitness for all ages. Seniors, Juniors, Veterans (35+) and Minky players welcome. Training every Tuesday & Thursday Juniors 4:30-5:30 / Seniors 5:30-6:30 Bill Eaton / Appin St Oval.
Information night 24th & 26th of February For more information please contact Shanlee North on 0438662717

WANGARATTA MARATHON & FUN RUN
Sunday 22nd February, 2015 For more details visit www.wangarattamarathon.com.au

For fun and adventure come and try Scouting with Wangaratta Scout Group Meeting Tuesday night: 6.30-8.30 @ Wangaratta Scout Hall College St, Wangaratta
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