Diary Dates

May

Fri 6th – Mother’s day stall
Friday 6th – Junior Team meeting (Minga)
Sunday 8th – Mother’s Day
Monday 9th – Swimming program begins
Tuesday 10th – OPEN DAY
Tuesday 10th 11th and 12th – NAPLAN Years 3 & 5
Thursday 12th – Dennis Huffer LAPS
Friday 13th – Swimming
Monday 16th – Swimming/ District Cross-country
Tuesday 17th – Life Education Day at Airly
Friday 20th, Monday 23rd Friday 27th - Swimming

Meals-on-wheels – Mon 23rd – Fri 27th

Sunday 29th May – WORKING BEE

Tuesday 31st May – School Council 6.30

June

Monday 13th Queen’s Birthday Holiday
Tuesday 14th Report Writing Day (No Students)
Monday 20th Wellington Network Professional Development Day (No Students)
Friday 24th – Last Day of Term 2

Term 3

First Day of Term 3 is July 11th

Name the Race at Sale Greyhounds

Last Sunday, our school held a fund-raising event which involved finding sponsors for 10 greyhound races. A big thank you to Kelly for rallying around and finding people willing to sponsor a race. Kelly and Amanda managed to collect a large number of great prizes that were raffled on the night. Thank you to Greer and Amanda, Kelly and Tanya Reid who sold raffle tickets. As a result of this event, we made a grand total of $2,784.60! A fantastic effort! Some of this money will be put towards our running track and the rest will go towards equipment and support for your children’s education. It is hoped that another Name the Race will be held later in the year so if you would like to help, keep an eye on the Diary Dates.

Divisional Schools Cross-Country

Congratulations to Zoe, Brooke, Cody, Hamish and Hayden who have made it through to the next level of Cross Country at Yarram golf course on Monday 16th May. Parents are responsible for getting the children down to Yarram where they will be representing our Rural cluster. Well done to all. Information for those children is attached to the newsletter and an emergency contact number needs to be added to their name tags please.

Naplan

Naplan testing for children in grades 3 and 5 will commence next week. This is just one form of testing that gives a snapshot of how the children are going with their learning. Parents will be notified when the results are back which usually is not until Term 3.
Esso Grant

As a result of being nominated for an ESSO grant by Trevor Wrigglesworth, our School has received $1000.00 to be used towards our running track! Thank you Trevor. We must be getting close to the target required to get our track installed.

Our New Letterbox

We have talent in our midst! Anthony Fulford has kindly made a new letterbox and has done a fabulous job. Not only is it very well made to suit our purpose, it has unique characteristics to complement our school. Once it is painted, it will be installed proudly outside our school for all to appreciate. A big thank you to Anthony, (and also Amanda for enlisting his help).

Reading Eggs/Mathletics

Anyone wishing to access Reading Eggs or Mathletics at home can do so for a small cost. The Reading Eggs program is a great program for helping children to consolidate their sounds, reading and comprehension through fun, interactive activities. Likewise, Mathletics supports the children’s acquisition of mathematics concepts and again uses fun interactive concepts. Please see Kerrie, if you wish to take up this offer.

Big Write

Just in case you were wondering (!), the staff have made a decision not to do Big Write sessions until after Naplan has finished. Once the testing period has been completed, we will continue with “Talking homework” and our Big Writes on Thursday.

Meals-on-wheels

Meals-on-wheels in Maffra, begins on Monday, 23rd May. Your help would be greatly appreciated on any of the five days. If you would like to do it but are unsure of your way around Maffra, we might be able to ‘buddy you up’ with someone who knows the area. Please fill out the attached form and return to school as soon as possible.

Swimming

Our 5 week swimming program begins on Monday. We will be changing our recess and lunch times to fit in with the swimming times. It would be worthwhile sending some extra food on a swimming day, as the children do get hungry, especially after the session. Extra fruit and sandwiches would be a good idea because they will provide children with some sustained energy. It is also recommended that children with long hair tie it up or wear a swimming cap. When it goes in their eyes during a lesson, it makes it hard for their teacher and for them.

Random Rubbish-free Day

Last week’s random rubbish-free day was on a Friday and was won by Mr Begbie’s class with a score of 44%. Come on juniors!!! We can beat that this week!!!

Reminders: Year 7 Placement Forms due back by Friday, 13th May
Nights Reading

25 nights – Jackson and Taavi
75 nights – Mace and Hayden

1. Dodge, Josh, Lincon, Shaye, Brooke, Liam, Brandon, Taavi, Lilly and Izzy
2. Tiahana, Jess, Ella, Kye and Jackson
3. Bethany

2016 term Dates

Term 1: 28 January to 24

Term 2: 11 April to 24 June

Term 3: 11 July to 16 September

Term 4: 3 October to 20 December.

Attachments: Cross country

: Meals on Wheels