

# **Wyalong Public School**

"A Top School with a Caring Environment"

Term 4 Wk 7 'Proud to be Toppy'













Shank You

#### Message from my desk.....

Over the coming weeks you will notice changes to the front gardens of our school. Due to some rotting we have had to remove sleepers and trees. The P&C have been working hard to weed and tidy up the front of the school in order to create a blank canvas.

If you have any suggestions or ideas as to what we could do with the front of the school please drop in for a chat or attend a P&C meeting which is held 5pm first Tuesday of each month.

Out of interest we would love to see any old photos of how it has looked over the years. If you have any photos you would like to share please drop in and see Trish. At this stage we are working with a few key ideas and once again ask if you have a spare half hour (rare at this time of year I know) please feel free to pull on some gloves and give us a hand!

Many thanks to the parents who have assisted so far!

If there is one thing I have learnt in this job over the years, it's that you can always rely on the Toppy community! Toppy times are great times!

Have a great week - Meg Staples!

## What's Going On!

| <b>→</b>   | Monday                   | Tuesday                                | Wednesday                                    | Thursday      | Friday                          |
|--|--------------------------|--|--|---------------|---------------------------------|
| Week 7<br>18 <sup>th</sup> Nov<br>22nd Nov             | Kinder Orientation       | Orientation  AASC  Swimming for  Sport | AASC<br>(Swimming)                           | Middle School | Whole School<br>Assembly 9.10am |
|  | (Swimming)               |  | K/1 Dress Up                                 |               | Responsible Pet<br>Program K-2  |
| Week 8<br>25 <sup>th</sup> Nov<br>29 <sup>th</sup> Nov | Kinder Orientation  AASC | Swimming for Sport                     | AASC<br>(Swimming)<br>Last day for<br>AASC   | Middle School | Whole School<br>Assembly 9.10em |
|  | (Swimming)               |  | School Captain & Prefect speech day & voting |               |                                 |

# Parent Information...

#### **Swimming for Sport**

Swimming for Sport commenced today.

Students will need to pay \$2.00 for the bus

and \$1.60 for pool entry each week (if you do not have a season ticket).



They will also need their swimmers, **rashie or t-shirt to swim in**, towel, goggles (if needed) in a bag that won't break – please send an extra plastic bag for wet clothes.



All library books are to be returned by 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Borrowing will cease on 21<sup>st</sup> November. Please look at home and return any books. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

#### **Year 6 Fundraising**

Year 6 will be selling ice creams each Tuesday and Friday at Recess time. Ice creams are 50 cents each.

#### K/1 Dress Up

The K/1 class will be having a dress up day on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November as part of their 'COGS' unit *Our Needs*. K/1 are asked to come dressed up as 'what I want to be when I grow up''. The dress up day will be lots of fun and we are looking forward to it!







#### **Absences**

Just a friendly reminder to notify the school of reasons for your child's absences this term if you have not done so already ©

#### **Active After School**

Swimming has started for AASC. Parents are reminded that the cost of the bus and the pool entry are covered under the program, so is free to students. Please remember to pack swimmers, towels etc and to collect your child/children promptly at 4.30pm.

The last day for Active this year will be Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

# Operation Xmas Child - Wyalong School

On behalf of Samaritan's Purse I wish to thank Meg Staples, Trish, the staff, children and parents for contributing to this venture again this year. The children who receive these boxes are so delighted to know that these gifts are special just for them.

Your School filled 23 boxes this year which was a fantastic effort and I am so grateful to you all.

Yours sincerely, Noelene Pursehouse



#### The Land CWA Cooking Competition

Reegan Johnston and Tayla Leadbitter were successful in making it through to the next level of The Land CWA Cookery Competition.

Their entries will be judged soon and we will let you know how they compared. We wish Reegan and Tayla good luck and happy cooking.

#### Chaplain's Corner

As children navigate their way through academic demands, hormonal changes and social pitfalls, they look to significant adults, particularly parents/carers and teachers to make them feel safe.

Consider the following:

- \*Help the child to understand that hormonal changes are normal, social alliances often shift from week to week and that other children often feel lonely and confused too.
- \*Through empathy, help the child keep perspective.
- \* Share your own feelings during times of extraordinary stress (appropriately) and encourage the child to talk about theirs.
- \*Children need to at all times feel safe and protected. There should be no room for doubt when you talk about how you will do whatever it takes to keep them safe.
- \*If your family does not have a plan in place for emergencies, make one and share it with your child so they know that there are decisive actions that they can take in an emergency.
- \*Include the child in opinions about a family activity or enlist their help (appropriately) in a chore. Affirm their contribution to the entire family's or school's well-being. If children know that they have a purpose, a role to play, that they can help, then they will feel more in control and more confident.

Have a wonderful week! Judy Schutte

# AWAKCS

## Merit Awards

Sharn Ferguson Bianca Dionela Kulaia Hanson Lindsay Lyons Joel Vada



# Sport Awards

Lily Judd Heath Redman Kaelan Ferguson



# Student of the Week

Tayla Leadbitter Hayden Taylor Sarah Blackwood



# community Info...

# Food For Fines and Christmas Giving Tree

The Bland Shire Library Food for Fines program has assisted the community for the last 10 years. This year the library will wipe the outstanding fines of any members who donate to the Food for Fines Appeal from November 4 up until Monday, December 16 after which the food items will be given to the Salvation Army and St Vincent de Paul for distribution.

This year the library is requesting that the community donates Christmas food as well as other Christmas treats.

Donations for the Bland Shire Council Giving Tree this year will support households who are struggling to make ends meet and people who would otherwise find Christmas a strain rather than a celebration. Non-perishable gifts for distribution to adults, teens, children or babies can all make a difference.

The Bland Shire Library is located at 6 Shire Street, West Wyalong. If you require more information about the appeals please call the library on 69790272.





Bland Shire Australia Day awards
Nominate a Mate
Citizen of the Year Young Citizen of the
Year
Community Group of the Year Community

Event of the Year Achievement in Sport

Contribution to Sport

New EASY single sheet forms

Nominate online at www.blandshire.nsw.gov.au or phone Council on 69722266

**NOMINATIONS CLOSE NOV 22** 

#### Little Wattle Day Care Centre

Open 7am-6pm Mon-fri

- \* Long Day Care \* Pre-school
  - \* Morning Session
  - \* Afternoon Session
- \* Before & Afterschool Sessions
  - \* Occasional Care
  - \* School readiness program
- \* CCB % available including 50% rebate
  - \* Qualified & Experienced staff
    Taking enrolments for 2014 now!!
    For more information please contact
    (02) 69 721044

# Splatter Gallery & Café

### Art Classes at Splatter Gallery:

Mon 18:00 – 20:30 Lets Paint with Lucy Buttenshaw; \$185.00 for 6 week blocks; bookings essential.

<u>Tues 13:30 - 15:30</u> gorgeous mosaics with Lee; - \$35:00 per class, all materials incl.

<u>Thurs 10:30 - 12:30</u> - come join me, ladies and creative gents, for a fun, paint filled morning and create your own masterpieces to take home; - \$25:00 per class <u>Thurs 15:30 - 17:00</u> Cartoon and caricature drawing with Shirley; the kidz are having a great time learning to draw - \$20.00 per class;

<u>Sat 09:00 – 10:30</u> 3 years to Gr 1 – lots of messy art fun...

11:00 - 12:30 Gr2 - gr5; \$20:00 per class 13:00- 15:00 gr6- gr10 painting and sculpting - \$25:00 per class

All materials included in above classes, just bring yourselves or drop off your kidz. Bookings are appreciated...

<u>Also to start soon</u>: 6 week blocks - *Perspective drawing*1 with Martin Lane – Tues evenings; and *Lets Paint* with
Lucy Buttenshaw - \$185:00 per 6 week block.

Classes will only run with a minimum of 3-5, so book soon so as not to miss a great opportunity to learn art with these great tutors...

### SUMMER READING CLUB 2013/2014

Launch party and sign up day Thursday November 28 @5.00pm

## Read books and win prizes!

For kids aged 5 years through to high school

Bland Shire Library, 6 Shire Street, West Wyalong

For more information call the library on 6979 0272

# 2013-2014 Swim and Survive Program

16/17/23/24 November – Block 1 7/8/14/15 December – Block 2 6/7/8/9 January – Block 3 1/2/8/9 February – Block 4

Enrol at: www.melissasswimschool.webs.com

Austswim Teacher of Swimming and Wate

# Austswim Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety

West Wyalong - 30 November & 1 December 9.00am to 5.00pm each day \$383.00

Enrolments close 22 November 2013
Enrol at: www.melissasswimschool.webs.com

# Students enjoying the play







