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Upcoming Events

| Mon 25 May | Learning Together Forums, 4.00-7.30pm in Moulamein |
| Thurs 28 May | Principals’ Training and Primary Principals’ Association Meeting |
| Fri 29 May | District Cross Country, Wakool Burraboi PS Principals’ Network Meeting |
| Thurs 11 June | Riverina Primary Cross Country, Gundagai (NB: corrected day & date) |
| Tues 23 June | School Photos |
| Fri 29 June | School Athletics – Field (at school) |

**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE**

This week we have a range of professional learning activities happening for staff. We will be travelling to Moulamein tonight for after-school training and development session about assessment to improve student learning, personalised learning in Mathematics, and to learn more about the Staff Portal toolkit and Microsoft 365.

Later in the week, teachers will participate in face-to-face tutoring sessions with Gai Burchfield about catering for students who are experiencing significant difficulties in reading. Teachers will also be training in the use of effective assessment tools and setting smart learning goals and tailored interventions to promote students’ progress in learning.

On Thursday and Friday, I will be attending Primary Principals’ Association and Principal network meetings and Principals’ Information sessions in Deniliquin. These days are essential to meet department expectations and to effectively plan for improvement over time.
Late last week, we learned that our Choir had been awarded the Wakool Shire Council Award at the Kerang Eisteddfod. Congratulations to the Choir and to Mrs Laughlin as Choir Leader. This is a great achievement and recognises the high standard of the Choir’s performance on the day.

Our two students who attended the Aspire Me Sports Camp thoroughly enjoyed their two days of sports action and staying overnight with students from other schools across our district. Look for their report on their experiences.

The Life Education Van visit was a success with students attending in class groups and learning about healthy lifestyle choices. Their lessons covered personal safety and safety with medicines, systems of the human body, dealing with peer pressure, cyber safety, and making informed decisions and recognising factors that influence health and behaviour.

P&C have been investigating options for the replacement of the carpet covering part of the area under the shelter. This is one of the priorities for improvement that P&C have taken on for 2015. A report will be tabled at the next P&C meeting.

Enjoy reading of the happenings at school, and the week ahead.

_Catherine Peach_

**SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY**

Well done to all students on their efforts at last week’s Cross Country. Congratulations to the place getters in each of the age divisions.

Four boys and girls from each age division have been selected to compete at the PSSA District Cross Country to be held this Friday at Wakool Burraboi PS. Parents are advised that travel is to be **privately organised**, either by **private car** or by **car-pooling** with other parents. The school has not organised a bus.

Miss Hughes will be attending as our team manager and supervising teacher. Parent helpers are required to ensure this district event runs smoothly and safely, and we ask each parent to consider giving some time as a track marshall or timekeeper on the day.

Our School Cross Country winners:
The winning Sports House was ETONA. Well done to everyone for a great day. Thank you again to our parents and P&C for helping make the day a success. Thank you to everyone for your feedback that will help make next year’s event a success.

Students who will be competing at Wakool Burraboi PS in the District events are:

8/9 Yr Boys: Eli Boyd, Will Lake, Mason Jones, Ben Miller.


10 Yr Boys: Angus Laskowski, Matt Mason, Jack Lake, Mason Laursen.

10 Yr Girls: Eboni Bennett, Gabrielle Davis, Caeley Thornton-Brinsmead, Lily Molin.

11 Yr Boys: Josh McMahon, Ben Gorey, Harry Coughlan, Matt Miller.


A permission note will be issued today. Please return to the office before Friday.

**WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY**

Thank you to everyone for their support of the Walk Safely to School day last Friday. It was great to see students considering how they come to school and the strategies they use to stay safe while walking, riding or commuting. We will be extending students learning with some additional activities about Road Safety in class through to the end of term.

The contribution of the Year 5 and 6 students was wonderful to see. Thank you students!
The data collected will be used in their learning about Data in Mathematics.

**IN THE PLAYGROUND**

It has been a pleasure to work with students over the past few weeks as we set about making sure everyone is safe and happy at school, specifically of late in the playground.

Differences will always be present in our lives and often these play out negatively for students in the playground. What is heartening to see is students’ preparedness to discuss the problems they are experiencing and to suggest sensible ways to overcome these problems.

The core values we have identified as a school are helping students to consider positive ways to recognise and respect differences and overcome any problems that may arise.

**Respect:** at school as in life generally, we find that we are all different. We look different, we act differently, and we have different interests, skills and talents but we all deserve the chance to have a go and be included. Making sure we act in ways that includes and encourages others shows respect to our fellow students and colleagues, and to what and how each of us is learning and achieving.

**Responsibility:** at school each of us is responsible for what we do as an individual and how we contribute to group activities. Each of us is responsible for making sure that what we do as an individual does not impact negatively on others and that we take the time to consider and include others in learning and play. This is a skill that students need to learn and teachers and parents become important coaches and role models for students as they learn.

**Initiative:** students are learning how to think for themselves and find their own ways to address the difficulties they experience in learning and play. Students are showing initiative in negotiating with their peers and teachers for their preferred playground games and areas, and by taking on board the message of being safe and fair in their play. Students show initiative when they stand up for others, make positive suggestions for how to play their games safely and fairly, and when they mediate and negotiate to clarify the rules of their games.

**WEEK 5 ASSEMBLY**

Last week’s assembly was presented by Year 3/4 and what a great job they did. Students had been practising all week and can be very proud of the way they conducted themselves.

Students in K/1 and 1/2 performed two percussion items. Congratulations to them for the focus and concentration they displayed - a fine example to all performers and learners.
It was a pleasure to hear from students about their learning, and to see examples of what they have been doing in class.

Award recipients were recognised for their effort and progress. Well done to them all for their achievements learning.
SPORTING SCHOOLS INITIATIVE

The Sporting Schools initiative aims to deliver quality sporting programs and inspire primary students to develop a lifelong interest in sport. The initiative is funded by the federal government, and has evolved out of the Active After-Schools Communities program. Schools will have the flexibility to deliver programs before, during or after school hours.

Barham PS was successful in its application for funding and will be conducting a program that will centre on Athletics for several weeks. Details are being finalised and further information will be distributed soon.

RIVERINA NETBALL TRIALS

Last Friday, Tatum Boyd competed in the Riverina Netball Trials in Wagga Wagga. Tatum is to be congratulated on her sporting achievements this year. She has competed in NSW Primary Schools Tennis and as a member of the Western Riverina Netball team at the Riverina Netball Carnival.

“Our Western Riverina team played four games with two halves each. We played in our preferred positions throughout the day. I had a great time and learnt some new things about netball.”

By Tatum Boyd

Tatum Boyd

Don't forget!
Book Club orders are due:
Wednesday 27th May
PSSA DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

This Friday, 29th May
at
Wakool Burraboi PS

- Barham PS team is listed in newsletter.
- Students will walk the track at 10.30am. Please arrive 10-15 minutes earlier ready for ‘Welcome and Instructions’.
- Races begin at 11.00am (starting with 8/9 Year Olds events).
- Students are to be transported by parents in private cars.
- A full Canteen is operating.

CLASS NEWS

1/2 Meet Healthy Harold in the Life Education Van and are now all clued up.

Thomas – “I learnt about healthy and unhealthy foods. Water is very good for your body.”

Ebony – “It’s important to drink lots of water so you don’t get a headache and become dehydrated.”

Ellie – “Sweet foods are only to be eaten on special occasions like ice cream and cake.”

Remi – “Always start the day with a healthy breakfast so you can have energy for the rest of the day.”

Sienna – “Fruit, vegetables, yoghurt, eggs and cheese are very healthy foods for your body.”

Will – “Your heart is as big as your fist and your brain is as big as two fists. Our lungs are protected by our ribs and we breathe through our lungs.”
**NET SET GO**

Children in Kinder to Year Two are invited to attend *Net Set Go* training to learn basic ball skills. Sessions will run for 45mins. Training starts 4pm on Tuesday 2nd June at the new blue courts at the Barham Football Ground. Cost is $50. Please bring along money on first training day.

If you have any questions please call Carolyn on 0438 532616.

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

- Mon 25th May: Jessica Ibbs
- Tues 26th May: Sophie Lake
- Wed 27th May: Kerry Stirling
- Thur 28th May: Gina Petrascu
- Fri 29th May: Narelle McGowan
- Mon 1st June: Natalie Lake
- Tues 2nd June: Sam Irwin
- Wed 3rd June: Mandy Anthony
- Thur 4th June: Rita Jones
- Fri 5th June: Julie Sleep

Please arrange your own swap, or contact Sonya at the canteen, 54532321.

**Canteen 8am**
- T&A Davis
- T Davis
- K Wilson

**Canteen 10.30am**
- Corner
- Carnell

**Cake**
- Kerr
- Painter

**Slice**
- Comitti
- Laskowski

**Coleslaw (6lt)**
- Gordon
- Bassett

**Soup (6lt)**
- Camps
- Miller
- Penglase

**Salad Items**
- 2 dozen eggs – Long, Pasco, Taylor
- 4 Carrots, 6 tomatoes, 1 lettuce – Lobb, Nicholson, He.

Items are to be left at school on Friday 5th June.

For alternate arrangements:
- Tracey Davis 0409 246 916
- Alleena Burger 0428 278 277

**Fire Station Open Day**

Sunday 31st May
10am – 2pm
Cnr Niemur and Wakool Street

- Check out our fire truck
- Fire safety demonstrations
- Meet our local firefighters
- Learn about FRNSW
- Learn about fire safety

**GUN CLUB ROSTER**

**Saturday 6th June**

**BBQ – 7am**
- Barnes
- Dick-O’Flaherty
- Mclnnes

**BBQ – 10am**
- Campbell (Davis)
- Hollins
- Salter (Grylls)
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# This Planner shows events for students, teachers and parents scheduled for Term 2.

Variation may occur so please check the Term planner each week for updates.