Dear students, parents and extended community members,

Our cross country runners did themselves proud with admirable results at the Regional Cross Country last Wednesday. Congratulations to Wil (21st) and Tom (27th) in the boys 9/10 years and to Casey (35th) in the girls 11 years.

On Friday Kristen, Bert and I took eighteen beautiful F-2’s to the Melbourne Zoo. We met parents at the Albury train station for a 6.30am departure and handed children back to their families at approximately 10.00pm. The day was nothing short of sensational! The train trip was a new experience for a number of children and even the “stair” escalators at the station an unusual phenomenon for others. We had the smoothest of transitions to the metropolitan train which dropped us right at the zoo. After a session at the zoo which involved touching a lizard and non poisonous snake we explored the zoo and the animals. A spot of shopping at the zoo shop and then dinner at Hungry Jacks overlooking Spencer Street before boarding the train for the long trip home! A special thanks to Bert’s son Richard for spending the afternoon at the zoo and being an extra person at Hungry Jacks and to my sister Sandra for meeting us at the station to make sure we got onto the correct train.

Thank you Bert for your never ending enthusiasm and to Kristen who did all of the pre-organisation and booking of trains, zoo tickets and dinner!

A perfect day with perfect children!

Please remember that school ends at 2.30pm this Friday and reports will be sent home with your child on Friday afternoon. There will be information about booking interviews included with the reports.

Cheers

Deb
MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK

In Week 10 the musician of the week was Luke Gale. Luke brought his recorder into music class a few weeks ago. He has been learning how to play the notes B, A & G and has been using it during preparations for our Arts Festival performance.

**Bank Days for Term 2:** Wednesday 24th June.

**Bank Days for Term 3:** To be advised next term

**Head Lice:** Please don’t think that we have forgotten head lice inspections—Mel (who does our head lice inspections) will be at school as soon as she is able to. This may be the first week back of school if she is not able to make it to school this week.

**Friday 4th December** for 2016 planning (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE FROM 10TH DEC. AS THIS DAY FELL DURING OUR SWIMMING WEEK.)

**New enrolment forms:** New forms were sent out at the beginning of the term. We are desperate to have all forms returned so we can update our information.

**SCHOOL REPORTS WILL BE SENT HOME FRIDAY 26TH JUNE.**

**READING HELPERS:** We are on a drive for reading helpers—especially in our F/1 class. Reading helpers hear reading during the literacy block when the class is working on individual or small group reading tasks. You do not have to have a child in the class where you hear reading. There will be an induction session prior to beginning and you will require a working with children check (which is free for volunteers.) Please see Deb if you are interested prior to the end of term. Grandparents and community members are very welcome! Working With Children checks can now be done online at https://online.justice.vic.gov.au/wwccu/onlineapplication.do

**Early Arrivals**

From time to time we have children arriving prior to 8.30am. Yard duty does not formally begin until 8.40am. If for some reason you need to drop your child to school prior to 8.30am, please text me the night before on 0419 419 928. Thanks, Deb

**Bethanga Shop Opening Times For this Week:**

Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday: 8am to 12noon

Friday: 8am to 7pm

Saturday: 7am to 9am

3pm to 5pm

Sunday: 8am to 10am

3pm to 5pm

PLEASE DON'T FORGET THAT OUR SCHOOL IS NUT FREE!

A reminder to all children to please wash your hands after breakfast to prevent the chance of nut residue coming to school or getting on bus rails/seats. We greatly appreciate your assistance with this!
Our Zoo Trip
## Coming up at Bethanga……..

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<td><strong>Dates are definite. More information once we receive forms from the organising school Walwa. The accommodation is $100 for the camp plus bus costing which we are awaiting.</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Year 3/4 camp to 15 Mile Creek</strong></td>
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Last Friday Jemma Hogan came to the school to give the students in years 3-6 an art lesson involving sketching with charcoal. Jemma will be commencing a graphic arts course next year and has a passion for all things art. Jemma showed the students a number of techniques to use when drawing animals. Owls and wolves were the popular choices among the students. We thank Jemma for volunteering her time to our school. Jemma thought the kids were great, and is keen to come out again.
HEALTHY LUNCHBOX IDEAS

Mixed Fruit Tea Loaf

Serves: 12 (makes 12 slices)

Ingredients:

20 dried apricots
10 dried figs
10 pitted prunes
5 dried pear halves
1 tbsp raisins
500ml hot black tea
1 banana, mashed
finely grated zest of 1 orange
150g (1 cup) wholemeal plain flour
2 tsp baking powder
55g (½ cup) ground almonds
1 tsp ground cinnamon

Method:

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C. Lightly grease a loaf tin and line the base with baking paper.
2. Put all of the dried fruit in a large bowl and pour the hot tea over the top. Cover and leave to stand for 10 minutes.
3. Remove half the softened apricots and puree them in a blender or food processor with 125ml of the tea liquid.
4. Tip the puree back into the mixing bowl. Stir in the banana and orange zest. Combine the flour, baking powder, ground almonds and cinnamon and stir into the fruit mixture.
5. Pour the mixture into the prepared tin and bake for 45 minutes, or until a skewer inserted into the centre of the loaf comes out clean. Remove from the oven and leave in the tin for 15 minutes, before turning out onto a wire rack to cool.
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