Dear Parents,

Yesterday I was lucky enough to squeeze out some time to attend the Tony Bones Junior School performance of the picture story book, ‘The Windy Farm’ written by Doug McLeod. It was a magnificent performance that captured the attention of every student, whilst at the same time communicating a message of environmental sustainability. Live performance is certainly a valued component of the school curriculum as it is with our own cultural heritage. The interaction of performer and audience can produce responses that no other form of entertainment quite matches.

Next Tuesday, we have a Year 5 student Lulu C and Year 6 student Hayley M representing the school at the Mont Albert and Surrey Hills Rotary School’s Speech competition. Those students and parents who have previously attended the night, would testify to the fact of it being quite a daunting and challenging experience. However the students face the challenge and produce remarkable speeches, better than most politicians I have heard recently! We wish Lulu and Hayley all the very best and know that they will represent our school well.

Earlier this month the school received data from the Year 5 & 6 ‘Attitudes to School’ survey that is conducted by the Education Department each year. The data indicated that our students perceive the school to be very safe, they are strongly connected to their peers, classroom behaviour is excellent, they don’t feel stressed coming to school and they feel good about themselves. All of the bar graphs were in the third and
fourth quartiles, which indicates that in terms of student relationships and well-being the school is travelling extremely well. Over the past five years the Leadership team and the teachers have worked tirelessly at making improvements from their own personal reflections and student feedback to achieve these results. It is an outcome which we as a school community should feel very proud.

Next week is **Science Week** and usually the school would make an extra effort to promote science activities throughout the school. However with the NAB and ‘A Towards Victoria Learning Community’ grants, science is now embedded in our curriculum and is a normal part of our weekly agenda. Megan, our assistant principal along with Miss Gilmour and Dr Jenkinson has done a wonderful job leading this initiative throughout the school. See the Science Quiz attached to the newsletter to test your own science knowledge.

The Year 3 &4 camp at Arrabri Lodge in Warburton is fast approaching. This is actually one of my favourite destinations for a camp. The food is absolutely scrumptious, the location beautiful and the activities are certainly fun. Mornings and nights are cold but the days can be quite magnificent. It’s also only an hour’s drive from school so there’s more time at the camp and less time travelling on the bus. I’m sure the excitement is building for our students!

If you haven’t already purchased your tickets for the Gala Night on Saturday 23rd please do so quickly as the TryBooking site is set to close on Tuesday at 9.00 p.m. and unfortunately tickets are not available on the night. It is sure to be a night to remember. We have only recently discovered that one of our new staff member’s great, great grandfather Robert Campbell Edwards actually established the Burwood Boys’ Home. Isn’t that quite amazing?

A special thank you to the teachers who have organised a number of special events around the school over the past week; Mrs Wheatley and her remarkable Book Fair! $2,387.00 worth of beautiful new books has been purchased as a result of the sales. Thank you one and all.

Mrs Downes for the Coach Approach Day last Friday was enjoyed and valued by the Year 3 to 6 students.

A quick reminder to those families who have yet to enrol Foundation students for next year. Please do so immediately, the numbers indicate we may have enough enrolments for three classes, but not quite!

Enjoy your weekend!

*Regards Gayle*
It is that time of year when schools are preparing for the following year and student numbers are critical to the school’s staffing structure.

Could you please complete the required Student Admission Enrolment Form if you intend enrolling your child at Wattle Park Primary School in 2015. This form is available from the office or on the school’s website. It can be forwarded by mail if requested.

If you are aware of any families who may live near you and have not enrolled, please encourage them to put in their enrolment forms as soon as possible.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

**Scouts Raffle**
Just a reminder that the Scouts Raffle Tickets must be returned to the office by Tuesday, 26th August.

**Lost**
Isabelle S in FS has lost her size 6 school jacket, it is named. Please bring it to the office if you find it.
**Book Week Celebrations**

We have had some great happenings at Wattle Park to help us celebrate Book Week. On Thursday we had performances from Tony Bones’ Theatre Group. The Year F-4 children enjoyed a performance of the Doug Macleod story of ‘Windy Farm’ and the Year 4-5 students saw ‘My Life As An Alphabet’ by Barry Jonsberg. Both performances and after show question and answer times were highly entertaining, thought provoking and informative.

At the start of this week we had our annual Book Fair in the Library. It was fantastic to see such an enthusiastic response from the school community. We had an enormous number of families visit and browse through the Book Fair. There was a great variety of quality titles to select from and I hope everyone has enjoyed their purchases.

This year the Book Fair raised $2387 in sales commission. Every cent of this money has already been spent purchasing new titles for the school. Mostly new books have been purchased for the Library, but I have also been able to include extra titles for Listening Post packs, Literature Circle texts and some non-fiction guided reading sets. We also received generous donations from the teacher wish lists. Thank you to the Skinner, Witt, Oldfield, McComb, Anderson, Le Get and Davies families. Some of our new texts will be on display at the front of the school underneath the television and on the ‘New Arrivals’ shelf outside the Library before they go into circulation, so please come and have a look at some of the items purchased through your generosity.

Thank you to Kellie McDonald and Marissa Balsillie who generously assisted at the desk every morning and evening sessions. Thanks also to our wonderfully responsible and organised Library Assistants: Brynne O’Brien and Siena Bullen who did a fantastic job managing the variety table at each session, both before and after school. Great job girls!

Most importantly “thank you!” to the whole school community who have so enthusiastically and generously supported our Book Week activities. It has been a pleasure to run the Book Fair this year and a great team effort has produced an excellent outcome for Wattle Park.

Kim Wheatley
Librarian
Event Venue: Wattle Park Primary School

Band: The Renditions

Dress Code: Smart casual with a touch of class

Tickets: $55 per person | $100 per couple
Drinks to be purchased at the venue.
Event for 18 years and over only.

Come and Celebrate 100 Years of Friendship
Purchase ticket now at www.trybooking.com/FKGR

Please like our Facebook page
www.facebook.com/WattleParkPrimary100
Daffodil Day

Daffodil Day is on Friday the 22nd of August. Bring a gold coin donation to raise money for people that have cancer. To support the people who have cancer, we would like everyone to wear their hair differently or put something yellow in their hair. This is to support people who are going through chemotherapy and as a result, are suffering from hair loss. Thank you for your support.

By Aisha B and Timothy C
5T SRC Reps.
Werribee Open Range Zoo

To further enhance the integrated unit for term 3, “Safari”, an excursion to Werribee Open Range Zoo was organised for Year 2 students on Thursday 7th August. In addition to exploring the zoo, by walking as well as in an especially designed bus, the children participated in the discovery session “Habitat Detectives”. There were a few showers in the morning, but we put on our coats and saw many “Safari” animals in different habitats. Special thanks to the parents who joined us for a great day!

Amanda Dwyer, Robyn Gilmour and Vicki Phillips
Enjoy your Brain Break celebrating science
Tell us about your morning tea on Twitter: @NewScientist_Spain

Quiz 1 (the student edition)

1. What is the layer of the Earth just below the crust?
   A. The core
   B. The tectonics
   C. The mantle
   D. The magma

2. What are the only three noble elements that react very little in colour?

3. How much of a child's bodyweight is water?
   A. 10%
   B. A quarter
   C. Half
   D. Even

4. True or False? Pluto is a planet.

5. If you had a broken femur, what part of your body would be injured?

6. If you were eating a bowl of Solomons Islands, what would you be:
   A. Making fish chow
   B. Crunching popcorn
   C. slurping coconut ice cream
   D. Eating porridge
5. What is the largest bone in the human body? [ ] Jaw
[ ] Collarbone
[ ] Femur
[ ] Patella
[ ] Vertebrae

6. Which statement is correct about the following food items: originally come from?
[ ] Coffee
[ ] Tea
[ ] Tomato
[ ] Onion

5. What is the largest hot desert on Earth? Which is the largest desert on Earth?

6. If you could only have one food item on a desert island, what is the most edible item from the next list:
Welcome to the third edition of the WPPS Fete Newsletter! Countdown to the Fete has begun – 15 weeks to go! Saturday 29th November 4-9pm.

As you aware, stalls have been allocated to each year level to manage, and a volunteer from each year level has agreed to assist in the co-ordinating of the stall and hamper. The hamper is a collection of goodies which will be used in the silent auction on the night. Please contact your stall rep to find out any further information. Meetings have been scheduled with the stall reps to discuss what is required in organising and running the stall, acquiring and donation of goods, and to answer any questions. We need your help to make this as successful as possible!

A brief overview of what’s involved with your class stall:

**Foundation – Lucky Jars**
Jars are filled with a variety of objects, e.g. crayons, stickers, hair ties, small cars etc. Children pay to choose a jar of their choice.

**Foundation - Guess the sweets in the jar**
Giant jar filled with lollies. People buy a guess of how many lollies are in the jar.

**HAMPER THEME- Craft and Stationery**

**Grade 1 – Chocolate Toss**
Lay variety of chocolate bars across a base. Children throw their gold coin and whichever chocolate they land on they get to keep. Chocolates to be donated by school community and sourced through donations.

**HAMPER THEME- Cooking**

**Grade 2 - Second hand books, DVD's and CD's**
Sale of good quality books, CD's and DVD's. Stock to be donated by school community.

**HAMPER THEME- Morning tea (teas, coffee, gourmet biscuits etc.)**

**Grade 3 – Plants, jams and lemonade**
Selling homemade lemonade, jams and plants. Homemade lemonade to be made prior to the day using donated lemons and suitable bottles. Jams have been made and bottled by the SAKGP and school community. Plants have been propagated by the school but donations are also welcome.

**HAMPER THEME- Gardening**
Grade 4 Trash and treasure
A collection of good quality second hand items to sell on the day. NO baby car seats, cots or electrical devices. Donations by school community.

HAMPER THEME: For him (big and little boys)

Grade 5 - Pizza Preparation
Preparing and selling pizzas in the kitchen. Pizza (vegetarian) will be sold by the slice.
Selling of Glowsies as it gets dark – both at a stall and roaming sales.

HAMPER THEME: For Her (big and small)

Grade 6 – Side show Alley & Nails/ hair spray
Children to be ‘decorated’ by Gr6 students and/or parents with nail polish and/or hairspray. Gr6 students to man and manage side show alley games on bottom court as per arranged by Suskia.

HAMPER THEME – Edible Guilty pleasures (chocolate, sweets)

‘Our School Raffle’ tickets have been sent home to each family. Please help us in raising money for the fete by selling your tickets and returning the ticket stubs and money by Tuesday 26th August. This partnership with Scouts Victoria is a fantastic opportunity for our school to raise money and offer amazing prizes. Please contact the office if you would like more tickets.

Pizza Day – Wednesday 3rd September. Bakers Delight, Burwood One are offering us a fantastic special lunch day. For $6.00 kids can choose from a freshly baked Pizza and fruit box/water. This is another wonderful fund raising opportunity for our fete as well as a great alternative lunch options for students. Order forms will be sent home and need to be returned by 29 August. Please contact Kellie if you have any queries.

Facebook. We now have a ‘Celebrating 100 years of Wattle Park Primary School’ facebook page. ‘Like’ the page and keep up to date with some helpful and interesting school information.

Thank you for your ongoing support. Please contact any of the Fete committee members if you have any questions or would like to join us!

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Burwood Corner Barbers

27 Burwood Hwy, Burwood
Ph: 03 9808 0057. Mob: 0468 404 866.

For Men Only

- Men’s Haircut
- Facial Shave
- Hair Tattoo
- Beard Design

We are local Barber Shop in Burwood on Burwood Hwy

Need a haircut then just walk in, no appointment necessary

Have a haircut from experienced barbers.

Specializes in all men’s haircuts.

We offer any style of haircut.

Price for Children from 5 Years to 13 Years is $16.00
Receive a Discount of $3.00 and School will receive $1.00.

And Dad’s Haircut is $23.00
Receive a Discount of $3.00 and School will receive $1.00.

Come and have a haircut from us and we will support WPPS, donating $1.00 from every haircut.
KOONUNG CELEBRATES 50 YEARS
29th – 31st August

Friday 29th August
Koonung Day for all current students
8:30am – 3:30pm

Free Music Concert
Past and current students performing
7pm on the Soccer Pitch.
Bring your picnic rug. Hot food and drinks available.

FIREWORKS 9PM

Saturday 30th August
Open Day 10am – 4pm
Walk around the school and look at all
the displays and photos.
Enjoy souvenirs, music and great food.

Saturday Night Reunion
Cocktail event from 7pm in the Senior Centre
$50 per head drinks at bar prices
Semi-formal dress code. Tickets from
http://www.trybooking.com/ELIM

Sunday 31st August
Displays in the Library open 10am–12noon

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