From the Assistant Principal

Congratulations!

Well done to the P-6 students who performed at the Mildura Show last Thursday. I would also like to congratulate everyone involved in the Ballet Guild, like the show performance, the feedback was very positive.

Elective Program 2014

Information regarding the elective program, including the Duke of Edinburgh and the Compass Award, was sent home last week. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the changes for 2014 don’t hesitate to contact the school.

Alpine Camp Application Process

As I stated in last week’s edition of the Pipeline, current Year 8 students have the opportunity to apply for a position at next year’s Alpine School for Student Leadership. Applications are due this Thursday; interviews will be conducted during week 4. If any families have questions about the selection process contact me at school.

Prep Health Assessment

A School Nurse visited Werrimull P-12 School yesterday as part of the School Nursing Program. A health assessment is offered to all children in their first year of primary school.

If the nurse has concerns about your child’s health after assessing your child, the nurse will contact you. The nurse may suggest referring your child to be assessed or treated by another health professional or agency. A report will be sent to you, giving the outcome of your child’s assessment. Only with your permission, and if appropriate the assessment results may be provided to your children’s teacher.

Mobile Dental Care Program

The Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) Victoria has developed the Mobile Dental Care Program in partnership with Dental Health Services Victoria and the Australian Dental Association Victorian Branch. Launched in August 2012, the program is being piloted in the Northern Mallee region. The Mobile Dental Care Program aims to improve access to dental services (especially for those most at risk of poor oral health), enhance oral health knowledge through oral health promotion and education, and contribute to improved health outcomes (focusing on the links between oral health and general health).

Information regarding the service will be sent home in the coming weeks as it has been offered to Werrimull P-12 School.

School Council
A reminder that the next School Council meeting is this Wednesday at 6.30pm.
## Dates to Remember

### October
- **Book Fair**: 28th October – 1st November
- **VCE Exams Start**: 31st October
- **Ceilidh**: 1.00pm 31st October

### November
- **Pupil Free Day**: 4th November
- **Melbourne Cup Day Holiday**: 5th November
- **9/10 Exams**: 11th-15th November
- **Secondary Surf Camp**: 18th Nov– 22nd Nov
- **Work Experience 10/11**: 25th-29th November
- **P-2 Sleepover**: 28th November

### December
- **Ballet Excursion**: 4th December
- **Flying Start**: 9th–13th December
- **Activity Day**: 16th December
- **Awards Night**: 17th December

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Can you please check your child’s school jumpers to ensure they only have their own? If anyone has a jumper with Douglas on it could you please return it to the office.

Thank you

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Mrs Harris is looking for a photo to go on the front of this year’s School Magazine. If anyone has a photo they think would make a great front cover please email Mrs Harris at harris.misha.j@edumail.vic.gov.au
As part of the P.E programme this year pupils will be taking part in Scottish country dancing. This involves partner, set and group dances and is a great form of exercise.

Most dances are energetic, involve repeating steps and are a good way to develop pupils’ social skills.

The activity will run to the end of week 5 in term 4. On Friday 8th November we will be holding a Ceilidh.

This is a kind of party/barn dance where all Werrimull pupils take part in the dances they have learnt in class. Normally people dress up for these occasions, however as we are hosting it during school times I would advise pupils to dress up but be comfortable.

I would like to extend the invitation to parents to come along and watch and also increase our numbers on the floor by joining in! Most dances are easy to learn and your children can always give you a quick tutorial at home. I will also be calling the dances to help people with the steps.

Miss Wilson.
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What’s Happening

Last week was an unusual week as we swapped our Thursday four year old kindergarten day to Monday due to the difficulty of obtaining relief kindergarten teachers throughout the region. Thank-you to all the parents for understanding the need for this, the children were perfectly happy to attend on a different day but quite tired by the end of their second consecutive day!

Last week Transition Statement paperwork was sent home to parents of children in the four year old group. This parent section of the Transition Statement needs to be filled in and returned to kindergarten by the end of the month. The completed Transition Statement will then be sent on to their Primary School and to parents towards the end of the year. If you have any questions regarding the paperwork please don’t hesitate to contact me.

We have had another snake sighted in the vicinity of the Pre-School, this time in front of the Health Centre. We continue to have discussions with the children about how we can stay safe (always watch where we put our feet and stomp as walk) and they have followed all the appropriate safety measures each day.

On an exciting note we have flowers starting to bloom in our cubby house window garden bed. The children planted seeds here earlier in the year and have been checking them regularly in the hope of flowers. Their excitement this morning was a delight to see.

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24 October  Partnership Afternoon at School
31 October  Partnership Afternoon at School