From the Principal

This Term is flying as we are now on the downhill with only 4 weeks until the winter holidays. This means we have lots to do in a short time. Next Friday we will celebrate all the hard work of the students with the Winter Fair and a viewing of a documentary of our area completed by the 4-6’s before the ZOOTOPIA movie. It is an event that we hope to get all community members and others to as the students have put a lot of effort into building community relationships and celebrating our successes as a school. Also next week Mr Whittle and Mrs Carter are off on an adventure to Halls Gap for an Outdoor Education experience, whilst we have 5 runners competing in the Zone Cross Country Championships in St. Arnaud. We wish both the campers and runners all the very best – fun and weather!

Last week we hosted Cuppa for Cancer on Wednesday for the staff and community and Thursday Milo for Cancer with the students. Thank you to everyone that was able to come and share morning tea and also to Mrs Trish Kelly for organising the event across the Millewa.

Tuesday 17th May our Kinder – 6’s attended a performance at the Mildura Arts Centre (MAC) of the Hippo on my roof. It was a great opportunity for our students to take part in a cultural experience, this is something we value as we are trying to educate the whole student and bring into our curriculum the idea of creativity being as important as literacy and numeracy. Later in the year our students will have another opportunity to attend a different type of performance at MAC.

Last Tuesday we also had runners compete in the interschool cross country Mrs Callahan and Mr Pavilach have reported on this in detail further in the Pipeline but I’d like to congratulate all the students who attended this day and gave it their best.

Exams are fast approaching with our year 11 students to sit their first VCAA exam on the 7th June. The General Achievement Test (GAT) tests their knowledge of a range of subject areas and gives them a taste of what the unit 3 & 4 exams are like and what is expected of them. School based exams will be held on the 7th, 8th and 9th of June where students from year 9 – 11 will be tested on the skills they have been working on their classes over the past two Terms.

Hopefully the weather will bring rain with it as it has started to turn cold please make sure your child is dressed appropriately and if out of uniform a note explaining this. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in regards to school uniform.

Just a reminder that tomorrow is RED FOOD FRIDAY.
**Dates to Remember**

**May**
- Red Food Day          27th May
- Outdoor Ed CampYr7-9  30th May to 2nd June

**June**
- Winter Fair           3rd June
- GAT                   7th June
- Queens Birthday Holiday           13th June
- Lightning Prems       14th June
- Eisteddfod            16th June
- Special Peoples Day (Pre-School) 21st June
- Red Food Day          24th June
- Last day of Term 2 2.00pm Finish  24th June

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**Happy Birthday**

[Names and Birthdays]

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**Second Hand Uniform Shop**

If you would like to have a look at the good quality second hand jumpers, polo shirts, primary dresses, shorts and long pants please see Helen at the office.

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**Mildura Eisteddfod**

The primary students of Werrimull P-12 as well as all students from the Millewa Ballet and Dance Guild (MBDG) have been working hard on their routines for the upcoming Mildura Eisteddfod. Community members are more than welcome to come and support our students. If you are interested please look below for the dates and times that our groups are performing (this is an estimated time).

**Fri 17th June**

**Schools Section starting at 9:30 am**

*Probably wont be on stage until after 10am (we are the 13th and 14th act)*

- Werrimull P-12 P-3
- Werrimull P-12 4-6

**Sun 19th June**

**Street Dance Section starting at 9:30 am**

*probably wont be on stage until after 10am*

- 12 years and under Street Dance - MBDG Group 2
- 13-16 years - MBDG Group 3
**Inter School Mallee Cross Country**

On Tuesday May 17 four Werrimull students made the trek down to Ouyen to proudly represent their school in the inter school Mallee Cross Country.

Dana Kingi competed in the age 12-13 girls race and showed her never give up attitude and grit and determination to achieve a good result of 16 minutes and 6 seconds.

Novalli Hudson competed in the age 14 girls race and made her presence felt early being amongst the front runners. Novalli toughed out the hill climb and gained on her rivals and achieved a fantastic result of 3rd with a time of 15 minutes and 1 second.

Riley Berry competed in the age 15 boys race and had his game face on right from the get go. His tireless energy and stamina pushed the front group all the way and narrowly missed the podium with an amazing effort of fourth place with a time of 12 minutes and 39 seconds.

And Teagan Lynch competed in the age 17 girls race. With warmer conditions Teagan did herself and Werrimull P-12 proud with her strong mindset in the grind of the off road conditions. Teagan achieved a great result with a time of 18 minutes and 9 seconds.

All four competitors showed a fantastic attitude supporting each other, cheering each other on which showed the crowd that they were proud of their team mates and even prouder to represent their school.

Well done Dana, Novalli, Riley and Teagan, you all were outstanding!

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**Primary Cross Country**

Last Tuesday 17th May, five students from Werrimull P-12 represented the school at the Primary Cross Country at Aero Ovals. Kaitlin Hards, Ella Hards and Wilkie Hudson all ran strong races to finish, 5th, 4th and 10th in their respective age group races to qualify for the next stage in St Arnaud. In the 9-10 year old age group Gus Rowe and Seamus Kelly both put in fantastic efforts to finish just outside the top ten. We wish the students travelling to St Arnaud all the best with their races.
Twilight Winter Fair and Movie Night

COME ONE, COME ALL
FRIDAY 3 JUNE
AT WERRIMULL P-12 SCHOOL
FROM 4PM ONWARDS

YEAR 4-7 DOCUMENTARY AND
- ZOOTOPIA -
SCREENING FROM 6:30PM
TICKETS ONLY $2 PER PERSON

hot food, hot drinks, cold drinks, slushies, fairy floss, popcorn, lucky dip, cwa craft stall, cakes and sweets, games, sideshows, petting zoo, jumping castle, guessing competitions, dance displays, face painting, homemade ice cream, photo booth, pass the parcel, treasure hunt, second hand books and more
What’s Happening

This Term we are focusing on Health at the Pre-School, looking at hospitals, doctors, dentists, optometrists, nurses and anyone else within this field. If you have any contacts for either excursions or incursions based around this please let me know.

Thank-you to parents for accommodating the change of date for four year old kindergarten this week on short notice, where possible we will always change the day for a session rather than cancel it.

Please remember to pack a change of clothes in your child’s bag each day as sometimes they get involved in messy play or have a toileting accident and we do not have enough spare clothes at kindergarten to provide them with clean, dry clothes.

Mildura Arts Centre Excursion

Last week the K-6 group visited the Mildura Arts Centre to see a performance based upon the much loved ‘There’s a Hippopotamus...’ series of picture story books. Excursions such as this help to build ongoing connections between kindergarten and school and are part of our all year transition program.

The performance engaged all the students regardless of age and the excitement of their first full day excursion was evident to everyone who saw our children on the day, either at the Arts Centre or Park for Play.

Shared Snack

At the Millewa Pre-School we have shared snack each day and ask that you bring along one thing to share each day with the rest of the group. If you send along something bigger, such as a packet of dry biscuits, cheese or dried fruit, we do not expect anything for the next week or two.

Shared Snack Ideas

♦ Fruit
♦ Vegetables
♦ Cheese
♦ Dry biscuits
♦ Dried fruit
♦ No nuts please for shared snack

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