

Upcoming Events TERM 4 2012

3rd - 6th December K/1/2 Swimming

6th December K/1/2 Swimming Party

CCK Deniliquin

10th December 3/4/5/6 Swimming Echuca

12th December Year 6 Dinner

17th December Presentation Night

18th December 3/4/5/6 Swimming & Movies - Echuca

19th December Last Day - Students



WAKOOL BURRABOI PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER TERM 4 – WEEK 9 MONDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2012

Hello to everyone in Wakool Burraboi's Learning Community

The school sign reads "Week Nine" and it showed how far our students have come in 2012 at our last Whole School Assembly on Thursday. A big thank you to all the parents, families and friends who beat the heat to support and celebrate our students. It was a great way to end the week. Our school leaders were exceptional in their smooth running of the agenda. Congratulations to all the students who received awards. A big thank you to Kasey, Bruce and Jana who played our National Anthem on their ukuleles! The students continue to impress us with their ukulele playing and singing. Our South West Music Teachers are equally pleased with the boys and girls achievements in the Music Program. We look forward to continuing the innovative program in 2013 in Semester Two.

Last Tuesday, teachers and interested parents and community members up skilled in First Aid by completing a refresher course. We would like to thank our helpful and informative trainer Raelene for delivering the content. It was very clear that there were no aspiring actors in the group, the acting scenarios were very cheesy but allowed participants to practise responding to emergencies.

It is a busy time around our school at present with many end of year events being organised. Last week Vicky completed the school's annual financial roll over, which is a very important part of the administration year. The teachers are also assessing students and writing end of year Student Reports. Furthermore, the Year Six dinner is currently in the process of being organised. We appreciate the kind offers to help on the night. All necessary parent helpers have being contacted and we look forward to treating the Year Six students and parents to a celebration dinner on Wednesday the 12th of December. A big thank you to Mrs Mathers for designing and creating the special cool invites. I am also working with Vicky and staff with the organisation for our Annual Presentation Day. The 2013 Swimming Program has been very successful due to good behaviour and a positive attitude from students and good organisation by our swimming teachers. Lots happening and so much to look forward to.

A big thank you to staff who have made changes to how and where the students will spend their playtimes to reduce the effects of the heat wave (movies inside and board games in the library). Students are also reminded how important it is to wear their school hat and drink lots of water.

Have a lovely week and stay cool! *Carly Doyle* Principal Barham Garden Club Visit

Members from the Barham Garden Club visited our Native Garden. Thank you to Rose Landini for showing the ladies our garden followed by a visit to the hall to look at the Art Spectacular. The following is a thank you note left with a donation from the five garden members who visited.

The BK Garden Club had a wonderful visit on Sat 24th Nov to the native garden of the Wakool Burraboi School and were very impressed with the work Rosie Landini and team have put in to getting the garden to its current stage. The five garden members were then taken on an art tour of the Wakool Hall's current exhibition by the school students. What an amazing amount of creativity involved in all the displays. Well done to all concerned.



P & C Report

Last Monday P & C met to discuss how staff, community and parents could work together to continue improving our school. P & C President Robin McClay, executive and Geoff Till (General Assistant) will be organising a clean up for the school at the end of the year. The date will be released in the newsletter.

3/4/5/6 Class Report

The boys and girls have enjoyed listening to 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid' as modelled reading. Modelled reading involves the teacher reading in a fluent manner, modelling effective reading behaviours. However, I have been unable to control laughing out aloud when reading about the 'stinky cheese'. Some of the reading behaviours for modelling this Term have included leading students to make predictions about the story, identifying familiar words and phrases, recognising new words and phrases; fluency, phrasing and comprehension. To celebrate finishing the book the students will be watching the film 'Dairy of a Wimpy Kid'. After viewing they will compare the similarities and discuss the differences between the film and the book using a graphic organiser (a venn diagram).

In the Navy Mathematics group the boys girls have been involved and in assessment and revision. They created some fantastic factor trees, when revisiting multiplication. These are on display in the classroom and show that a number may be made by multiplying two or more other numbers together. The numbers that are multiplied together are called factors of the final number. The tree designs display this concept creatively.



It's beginning to feel like Christmas. Christmas has come to our classroom.

K/1/2 Swimming

Students in K/1/2 have been having a lot of fun while learning to swim. They are looking forward to a BBQ and swim party on Thursday to conclude their swimming lessons.









K/1/2 news

Macca was very excited to spend the weekend with Katie, helping her to set up her Christmas tree. Katie has put in a huge effort to learn her sight words and has finished her words for the year! She is also working on becoming more independent and attempting her work before asking for help. What a great effort Katie! Macca is very proud of you. K/1/2 finished their novel 'James and the Giant Peach' on Friday. The class loved this book and we think Roald Dahl is magnificent (and a little peculiar). Students in K/1/2 have been swimming in the afternoons at Vicky's. Everyone involved has been so impressed with the behaviour and attitude of all children.

The students have had the challenge of remembering to hang out their swimmers and towel every afternoon. Well done, K/1/2 on being so independent.

Sport

Last week students continued to develop their dancing skills, which were then showcased at the school assembly. Congratulations on such great enthusiasm in learning the dances. Over the next two weeks students will continue with dance and begin to create their own simple dances.



KIDS IN THE KITCHEN WEEK 8

On the Menu: Evening Meals



The Kids in the Kitchen program this term has focused on the meals we all eat every day. This week students prepared evening meals. The Junior Class made a Beef stir-fry which was accompanied by rice. A rice cooker was used to cook the rice. Students explored the properties of rice. They learnt that rice is an absorbent grain and it can double in size once cooked. We measured 4 cups of rice and 4 cups of water - this was enough rice for all students and teachers. The stir-fry contained

red capsicum, carrot, celery, peas and corn. A Chinese sauce was added to the cooked meat and vegetables. Students enjoyed some Naan Bread with their Stir-fry. Many had not tried this type of bread and there was a definite liking for it!!

On a hot day, there is nothing better than a cool drink. We had refreshing drinks with a difference each drink of cordial was adorned with a brightly coloured straw and a mini cocktail animal.

Our School Leaders, Kasey and Bridie assisted during the lesson - thank you very much girls, you are great role models for our younger students.

In the Senior Class it was Summer BBQ time. Each group prepared a salad to share with the class:

- Coleslaw
- Potato Salad
- Pasta Salad
- Rice salad

Students used pre marinated Round Steak to make Kebabs. They sliced the beef into uniform sized cubes and threaded it onto skewers, being careful not to stab themselves in the palm! Meat is tricky to cut at the best of times - and when you are between ages 9 and 12, even more so! At meal time the students sat around the table sharing their salads using their table etiquette.



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Meat needs to be marinated overnight to give the best flavor to Kebabs
- You should cut raw meat and fruit/vegetables on separate chopping boards to avoid cross contamination
- Adding grated apple to Coleslaw makes it sweeter





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2012 PRESENTATION NIGHT

WAKOOL TOWN HALL

MONDAY 17TH DECEMBER 7.00PM

Student Awards

Musical Items





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