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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

AUG	8	Swimming
	12	Community Forum 6:30pm
	14	Library
	15	Music Performance (NO SWIMMING)
	19	Art
	21	Cooking
	22	Swimming
	26	School Council
	28-30	Ski Camp
SEP	18	Leaning Expo 6pm

TOILET ROSTER

AUG	9	Pollard
	16	Robertson
	23	Ring
	30	Rothera
SEP	6	Preston
	13	Osborne
OCT	11	Tanner
	18	Wood
	25	Younger
NOV	1	Boonzaayer

Dear Parents,
Can you please note the following:

Around the Classes

Our Collaborative Learning Unit is well and truly under way and we are extremely excited to see the learning that is taking place. Once a week all our students break into their respective group – their business – to look at ways of advertising their business, to look at sustainable materials needed to make their product and to look at their business plans. As teachers, we are extremely proud to move around these groups and see what is happening. Students writing letters seeking donations, students ringing up businesses seeking donations, the cross age learning and support that is taking place between the older students in

the group for the younger students, etc. Last week I had the privilege of taking some students into Wangaratta to collect donations and to purchase materials for their groups. You will get the chance to see the end results on Wednesday 18 September when we host our Learning Expo and the students get the opportunity to showcase their learning and put it all into practice.

Our F/1 class have been looking at money and arrays (**Maths**). In **English** they have been looking at report writing and the structure of a narrative. Their letter focus has been on N.

Meanwhile the 2/3 class have been looking at connectives (words used to join two sentences together) and prefixes as part of their **English** work. Their **Maths** focus has been on multiplication. In **Science** they have been exploring various habitats.

And finally the Grade 4/5/6 students have continued to look at different types of poems (odes, diamante) in **English**. In **Mathematics** they have been looking at factors and multiples, as well as strategies for mental and written equations. In **Science** the focus has been on microbes. They have conducted experiments to see what effect temperature has on yeast growth.

Student of the Week

Our congratulations go to the following students who have recently received an award

Jett – taking pride in his work and focusing on completing his work

Elsie – focusing on her work

Max Rothera – determination with his 2 time tables

Tom – overall attitude towards his work

Matty – persevering with his poetry work

Matilda – producing work of a high standard

Parent Evening

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, this is a very busy, but exciting, time for us as we go through the review process. This process is something that all Victorian State Schools go through once every four years to evaluate their performance over the last four years, particularly in regards to set goals and targets (their Strategic Plan), and to determine our focus for the next four years. That focus will form the basis of our 2020 – 2023 Strategic Plan.

This term sees us go through the evaluation side of the process – what have we achieved, what has enabled that success, what have been any

barriers, etc. This will culminate in the writing of a Pre Review Self Evaluation report that needs to be completed by the end of this term. Then in Term 4 we will have our Review. An independent verifier will come and spend several days with us unpacking the self-evaluation report, observing what is happening in the classrooms and developing the goals and targets for the next four years.

So far this term our School Councillors have undertaken some training in the process and then at our last meeting we started to analyse some data sets. Last week on our Pupil Free Day the staff spent the day analysing data sets in relation to our set goals and targets as well as looking at the Framework for Improving Student Outcome (FISO) continua. This in itself was a massive job and we will continue on with this later this week.

Now we turn our attention to you. Next Monday 12 August at 6:30pm we are inviting all families to come and join us as we look at what we have been doing well and determine a future focus. I encourage you all to come along to have your input into this exciting process.

Parents Association

Our sincere thanks are extended to all the parents who baked, donated their time, or in any other way supported us with the recent catering for a funeral. Our particular thanks go to Elsie Northey who once again did a great job coordinating every one to ensure that everything ran smoothly. Thanks Elsie!

We have two more upcoming fundraising functions – a sausage sizzle at Bunnings in Wangaratta and a wedding in Lurg. Attached is further information about these functions which includes a return slip indicating how you can help support these functions. Remember, ALL children benefit from the funds raised (subsidies for camps, swimming, etc) so we would like to see ALL families support these ventures.

Spare Clothes

With the winter weather comes the necessity every so often to change clothes for students who have fallen over and have got dirty. We are VERY LOW on tracksuit pants, so if you have any spares at home that you are willing to donate to our supply, they would be greatly appreciated.

Winter Sports

We had a great time at Whitfield last Friday for our Winter Sports day. Well done kids.

2020 Enrolments

Before we know it 2020 will be upon us. Sorry! As part of our planning we are required to inform the Education Department shortly of our indicative numbers for Foundation students. If you are aware of any students due to commence in

Foundation with us next year can you please let me know. We already have a number 'on our books' but there may be others out there that we are unaware of.

Pie Drive

Congratulations to the eight students in Grade 4/5/6 who have organised this years Pie Drive. An order form was sent home last week and the kids are asking for all orders and money to be returned to the school by 17 August.

The kids have been responsible for pricing, liaising with the bakery, designing order forms, calculating profits, etc. Wonderful real learning.

Thank you

Howard Gibson
Principal

FOR SALE



Pure Bred Kelpie Puppies
3 x females
5 x males

Well bred and good blood line
Contact **Brooke 0403249820** for further information

A thrilling fusion of the most unique,ridiculous and bizarre acts you'll ever see

Two 'must see' artists of outrageously funny proportions combining their talents into one incredible show for your pleasure! Starring Daniel Oldaker aka Dandyman, Neo Jazz infused circus & physical comedy as seen at the Sydney Opera House and hundreds of festivals worldwide and international circus variety star Ruby Rubberlegs as seen on ABC's Live at the Memo and The Sideshow also world renowned variety show La Clique.

This show is a farcical foray of circus, comedy, dance and magic. Is it Art? Is it Entertainment? Only you will know as you witness masterful mayhem when these two indispensable fools titillate your senses in a journey of the absolute absurd. **Both stars of the international Festival circuit, Dandyman and Ruby Rubberlegs have appeared in films, on television, in circus tents, on the street, in opera houses and now they come to a theatre near you! Variety Ville takes variety to a whole new level. Bite sized morsels of masterful magic, chaotic clowning, preposterous physical feats, musical mayhem, hilarious hi-jinks and much much more!**



VARIETYVILLE

Friday 30th August 7.30pm • King Valley Community Complex

Tickets are \$25 including an amazing CWA supper (after performance).

KIDS UNDER 15 FREE (if accompanied by an adult)

Drinks at bar prices. Doors open at 6.30pm

For more info and to book your tickets go to www.kingvalleyartshow.com.au or call

0412 265 665 or Trybooking <https://www.trybooking.com/BCEJK>

Tickets will be available at the door

Hosted with Creative Victoria, Regional Arts Victoria,
King Valley Arts Presents, CWA King Valley Branch – Evening.

