From the Principal’s Desk

Thanks to all parents/carers who have made themselves available for the extremely important Student Support Group meetings (SSG’s) which have been occurring over the past weeks, where goals for Semester 1 are set. Working together - the school, with each family to establish relevant goals so that the student’s learning outcomes are optimised is essential for results to be achieved. Thankyou all!

Stolen Bikes: I mentioned in the last newsletter that 7 of our recently purchased bicycles were stolen. The Chronicle ran an article and WIN news visited the school. The community response has been extraordinary. Some of you may have read the Chronicle last Friday (20/02) or watched Prime News and heard that 4 of the bikes have been recovered by police. While these bikes were badly damaged they have been repaired by West End Cycles and Rock n Road and returned to join the fleet.

Generous donations came from the Folk Rhythm and Life Festival organisers, the Skermer Family from Eldorado. Marg Skermer was the first substantive Principal at WDSS and as such, the school is close to her heart. A $3000 cheque was gratefully received. In an email to me, Wangaratta Out and About cycling secretary Renata Lewis said “Members of our club ride regularly and often encounter your students and staff as we make our way around the local tracks. We are always impressed by the way the students ride, and the fact that they get the opportunity to do so. We were dismayed to read about the theft of your new bikes.” The group donated $730.

Andrew Manning dropped in $344 from the Regional Development Victoria branches when employees in Wangaratta, Wodonga and Shepparton, passed the hat around at a morning tea. Both Rock n Road and West End Cycles contributed by discounting the purchase of new bikes. Bikes were donated by Sue Flannigan, The Best Car Wash, Mac Donalds Wangaratta, Paul Challis, Wheelie Awesome Bike Sales and Repairs in Benalla gave a discount on a bike. Financial Momentum donated 5 new bicycle helmets. Thanks also to Shane Crispin, and staff, from the Centre who coordinated the effort.

We are truly humbled by the community’s generosity, in the repair and purchase of new bikes. As many of you are aware, our bike fleet is usually locked away in the bike shed, but this shed was demolished to make way for a new classroom.

Dates to Remember

O.T. - Mandy - 3rd, 5th 10th & 12th of March
Tuesday 24th March Parent /Carer Club meeting at WDSS
Wangaratta Farmers Market—14th March
From the Principal’s Desk   cont...

We are in the midst of having a new shed built so some of the donated money will go towards buying bike racks, and setting up a basic bike repair shop. All organisations who have donated money are happy with that proposal.

**School Leavers:** Early next term all parents/carers of school leavers and anyone who is interested in knowing the sorts of opportunities for our students available on leaving school, are invited to attend a workshop. The school is hosting a morning tea and workshop to explain options and opportunities for students and their families.

**Principal’s Awards:**

- **Chloe Day** for being respectful by always using respectful language with others.
- **Chris Richards** for being a learner by doing a great job of calling the buses.
- **Normia Rhodes-Orton** for being safe by reminding other students to keep their hands to themselves.
- **Maddie Hill** for being respectful by saying good morning with a friendly smile each day.
- **Tyler Kerr** for being a learner by using peoples name’s when saying “Hi”.
- **Jayden Vogel** for being safe by keeping his hands to himself all week.

**Libby Hosking**  
Principal

From The Chaplain’s Desk

**Parent’s/Carer’s Club Meeting:** Thanks to those who attended our first meeting for 2015. It was great to meet with you, share programs within our school, talk about our goals and plan for subsequent meetings. The next meeting of this group will be held at the school on Tuesday, March 24th at 2pm. We would love you to join us at these meetings when possible.

**Goldie Trading:** This commenced last Tuesday with students enthusiastically handing over their Goldies for a treat or an activity. The Goldie Trading Centre operates each Tuesday between 12 noon and 1pm, with classes each allocated a time within this period. Special thanks to Donna (Bus) for another bag of delightful goodies to be used here.

**Junior School Councillors:** Elections have been completed and the following students are to be congratulated on making up the 2015 Junior School Council-Jordan Barkley, Lachlan Jacobs, Tamara Lord, Hayden Riddell, Jack Davies, Madeleine Wernert, James Elkan, Tayten Farrell, Wayne Davey, Tyreece Rhodes-Orton, Sarah Lord, Sonia McGrath, Shakira Banks, Kostya Fitzgerald, Kaitlyn Cook, Josh Caldwell, Grace Churchill, Subir Carrick, Shianne Taylor, Claudine Muller, Christopher Richards, Josh Jose, Brydie Kensington and Mathew Reiffel.

The role of Junior School Councillor is a very important one within our school, with students meeting monthly, seeking school improvement ideas from their classmates or coming up with their own, sharing these with fellow councillors, voting on the appropriateness of these, meeting with staff members involved in the particular improvement to devise strategies for implementation and sharing meeting decisions with class members. We hope that these students have an enjoyable and rewarding year in this role.

Students will make pledges and receive their badges at School Assembly in the Multi-purpose Room on Friday, March 6th at 2.15pm. Notes to parent/carers of elected junior School Councillors have been sent home in Planners but if yours did not reach you and your child’s name is on the list above, please feel free to join us for this special occasion.

**Class Programs:** These continue to relate to our feelings and the feelings of those around us and picture books, “A Terrible Thing Happened” by Margaret Holmes and “The Huge Bag Of Worries”, Virginia Ironside have been useful resources.

Kindest regards to all,

Rose
Meet our PBS team for 2015, Leanne Martin, Libby Hosking, Chris Downing, David Couttie, Rose Couttie, Kate Edgar, Sarah Holmes-Brown, Lea Gronow, Tina James and Sharon Gambold. In 2015, Wangaratta District Specialist School PBS team goals are to investigate, define, teach, and support appropriate student behaviours. We are on a journey as a school community, towards a school-wide approach to teaching our students the importance of being learners, safe, and respectful.

Features of School-Wide Positive Behavior Support Team

- Administrative leadership.
- Team-based implementation.
- Information used for decision making.
- Behavioural expectations defined.
- Behavioural expectations taught.
- Appropriate behaviour acknowledged and rewarded.
- Behavioural errors monitored and corrected.
- Family and community collaboration.

Be Learners:
- means being willing to engage in all activities,
- to always try our hardest at everything we do,
- to accept change,
- to be ready to learn by being organized and enabling those in the class to learn as well.

Be Safe:
- means being in a secure environment that ensures all students know and understand class expectations,
- that safe behaviours are explicitly taught and modelled
- each student is actively supervised during the day in the classroom, yard, and community access.

Be Respectful:
- means to use our manners,
- to be listened to and given time to respond,
- to be able to make good choice, and to accept decisions made, and to be treated as we would like to be treated with compassion, with compassion, courtesy and consideration.

Together We Will
FROM THE GARDEN

We are back at it. The gardens are humming again. Compost is being made and beds moved and improved. Students in the SAKGP are learning about Queensland fruit fly, white cabbage moth and snails, how to identify them, and what we can do to reduce their numbers in our garden. The students are getting out into the garden and observing these pests and removing them manually where possible. The chickens certainly have a varied diet at the moment!

We are planting: salad leaves, corn (last year it was hot until may, so we are taking a gamble), broccoli, onions, mint and kale. We are harvesting: tomatoes, beans, zucchini, silverbeet, herbs (mint, lemon verbena, basil, parsley and sage).

FROM THE KITCHEN

Over the last few weeks students have been making a range of delicious meals, including, zucchini slice, zucchini bread, fritters, garden salads, and dips. This week we bring you a recipe for: Stuffed Apples. Each week the students receive fruit from NuFruit, which gets divided up amongst the classes. Sometimes there are excess apples and what a lovely way to eat them.

Ingredients:
For each person: 1 apple, ½ tbsp brown sugar, ½ tsp cinnamon, 1 and a 1/4 cup of dried fruit and nuts (if allowed).

1. Set the oven to 200°C.
2. Wash and core the apples.
3. Put the sugar and cinnamon in the mixing bowl.
4. Put the sultanas in the mixing bowl. Stir.
5. Cut a piece of foil big enough to cover the apple.
6. Put the apple in the middle of foil.
7. Using the teaspoon, fill the apple with the sultana mixture.
8. Wrap the apple in foil.
9. Repeat steps 7-10 until all the apples are wrapped.
10. Put the apples on the oven tray.
11. Put the tray in the oven and bake for 30-40 minutes.
12. Use the oven mitts to take the apples out of the oven.
13. Allow to cool until you can touch them.
14. Unwrap the apples and put them on a plate.
15. Eat the apples with custard/ice cream or by themselves.

Volunteers Wanted for Kitchen Garden Program

The SAKG Program runs on Tuesdays and Thursdays. If you would like to volunteer in the kitchen or garden, whether you have one hour to spare or a whole morning, we would love to hear from you.
Please contact Joanne Wheeler on 5721 7424
Mt Beauty - Kate and Lizz

Last Wednesday, Mt Beauty class went to 15 Mile Creek Camp for the day. All the kids got to partake in activities over the day such as the flying fox and swimming and paddling in the dam. Here is some of our Writers Notebook entries about the day.

“My class went to 15 Mile Creep camp and we went into the dam and on the paddle board. Before that we had to get life jackets.” - Coby.

‘Mia went on the flying fox. It looked like fun. I would have liked to go to 15 Mile Creek but I was at my other school that day’” - Sebastian.

“Brandon was happy when we went swimming in the dam on Wednesday. Then we went back to school to get on the bus and go home.” - Hayden

“At 15 Mile Creek, Mark is happy, Brandon is happy. I’m wearing a life jacket. It keeps me safe.” - Brandon

In Art the students created some table decorations for the Welcome BBQ on Thursday night – keep your eyes peeled for these! They are wonderful. We also got to colour in some self portraits with some sunnies on as we are always practising sun smart behaviour in this hot weather. We also made hats so we can glue them on our portraits next week. It was fun!

Bogong - Adrian, Fiona and Chris

On Friday the 20th of February Mt Bogong students participated in their first swimming lesson for the year. Every Friday the students from Mt Bogong visit the swimming pool at the YMCA at Barr Reserve. It is a wonderful occasion and opportunity to witness the students enjoying their learning outside of the classroom. The swimming program offered by the school is an important component to the curriculum of Mt Bogong students. Thank-you to everyone involved in making the weekly event possible.
Buffalo - Phillipa, Marley and Maggie

We have had a very busy couple of weeks. We spent some time learning to climb up different types of ladders/ steps and going down big and small slides at the park. Our shopping trips are becoming very exciting with each of us having to locate bread, milk and choosing a jam. We have also been learning how to remain safe when travelling on the school bus. We are all getting very good at remaining seated with our seatbelts on until the bus engine is switched off. Our swimming sessions have become a highlight of the week. We enjoy learning to blow bubbles and to float using our backpacks.

Buller—Allan, Suzanne, Mab and Chris

In Buller we have been enjoying story time lately. We all like to be read picture story books with large illustrations and adventurous plots. Mab has a beautiful reading voice and her stories keep everyone entertained. She knows how to keep us in suspense by finishing the days reading at an exciting juncture. Then we can’t wait for the next day’s instalment. Our serial story at the moment is The Little Mermaid and we all daydream about swimming gracefully in the cool, blue (shark free) ocean.

In SoSafe we have been learning about public and private places. We have a Private sign on our screen to help us remember. It is fun to go outside and enjoy public places with other members of our school.

Return Slip for Newsletter 27/02/2015- Name of Student

Return slip to school office to be in the draw for a prize.
**Stirling - Lisa, Robyn, Jill, Maggie and Luke**

**All the things we learn.** We learn to sit nicely as a group in assembly. As you can see, *Weeny* does this very well. We practice playing with the toys and using our words to help people – well done *Matthew* and *Locky* for being a good example to others. We do some independent living skills on Tuesday afternoons, and here *Noah* and *Aiden* are setting the table together. Well done to you, boys. *Stella* is happy when she plays safely, and this is a great thing to learn! Lastly, *Jordan* has learnt to be a happy and helpful member of the classroom on Mondays and Tuesdays. Well done to everyone.

**Hotham - Alysha, Robyn and Sheydin**

We have been having a lot of fun in Hotham, getting to know each other and trying new experiences. On Wednesday the 11th of February we had a visit from Marjie who shared her work with creating Mandalas and allowed us to create our own. We used Delta sand and a variety of objects including buttons, sticks, marbles, pasta, stones, beads from old necklaces, shells and gum nuts. The girls worked so well together in their groups and created some fabulous designs.

Our Students of the Week include Sarah and Breanna. Sarah has had such a great start to 2015, coming to school each day ready for learning. She is joining in all of our activities and trying her best. Sarah is also very helpful in the classroom with the guinea pigs and cooking. Breanna received Student of the Week because she has come to school each day and put on a brave face, even though she is sad about something private at home.
Hop’s Sports Column

Hops Sports Report.
As we reach the middle of the term we are becoming very busy. The students in the middle school will be participating in a combined school swimming carnival at Mooroopna on Wednesday March 4th. There will be many different activities for students to participate in.

Students in the Junior school will also participate in water activities at the Olympic Pool in Swan Street on Friday 6th of March. Last year we found that the water slide was a favourite activity for many students and we will once again have the water slide in action.

This week’s student of the week is Shannon Thomas who had an excellent week in Physical Education. He was a LEARNER, he was SAFE and he was RESPECTFUL towards his classmates and staff.

Mt. Emu - Leanne and Jack

Mt. Emu students have been learning about the importance of forming positive relationships with friends. One of the more obvious benefits of positive relationships is that they make life more enjoyable. Good friends, family, and co-workers make life an overall more pleasant experience – we enjoy spending time with these people and we often share positive moments with them on a frequent basis. Positive relationships create feelings of happiness and joy.

Mt. Emu students have learnt about how relationships we build have a much broader influence than just ourselves and our immediate social circle. When you create a positive connection with someone else, that person is more motivated to make positive connections with other people. Mt. Emu students have been role playing and talking about the negative and positive emotions that are associated with making and keeping friends.
Taminick—Meg, Shardae and Sam

This fortnight in Taminick we have begun our mini schedule activities and it has been a fantastic success. Using visuals, students know and understand what activity they are doing each session. We have been working on our fine motor skills, alphabet, numbers and colours. Activities are designed according to our goals and each student has a different mini schedule to suit their needs. Everyone has a reward at the end, whether it be time on the iPad for Matthew, Aiden and Declan, trampoline for Bailey, Milly and Maddie or Ernie’s favourite connector toys! We all have something to look forward to.

On Wednesdays when some of our friends stay home to rest, Matthew, Bailey and Millie all participate in cooking. Last week we cooked spaghetti bolognaise. It was delicious! Milly is doing a fantastic job at tasting new foods and telling us they’re “mmm... yummy!” Well done Milly!

In Art this week we made Tiddilack frogs with Ros. We loved bringing them back to class and using our imaginations to play with them after lunch. We created lily pads and ponds for our frogs to jump around on and in the afternoon and were so proud to take them home!

In SoSafe this week we looked at public and private places, and what we can do when in these places. Our activity was dressing our dolls to make them OK to be in public, using what we would like to wear. Milly’s doll wore a dress, Aiden’s wore some overalls, Matthew’s wore T-Shirts and shorts and Ernie’s wore some bathers. We did a really good job. At school, we wear clothes in public.

We will be cooking on Wednesday and swimming on Friday so please remember to send $5 for each session. Thank you!

Stanley - Donna, Jacqui and Simon

Every Friday we travel to Moore Than Swimming for our weekly swimming session. This is a much loved activity and we all look forward to our swim. Last Friday we concentrated on developing our freestyle stroke. We are all remembering to bend our elbows and then stretch our arms out in front. We also talk about safety around the swimming pool and also in the change rooms. These are important skills for our students to develop and we would like to thank all parents and carers for sending in the $5 swimming fee which enables us to continue to this program.

On Monday 16th. February Ryan celebrated his 13th. birthday. He was very excited about becoming a teenager. Ryan’s mum bought in some of Ryan’s favourite slice to share. Birthdays are always exciting. Happy Birthday Ryan.
Together We Will: Be Learners. Be Safe. Be Respectful.

VCAL and Warby – Rosie, Jodie, Ash, Elise, Chris and Luke

Bikes have been in the headlines at WDSS over the last couple of weeks. The support of the local community toward replacing the stolen bikes has been incredible. Paul Broomfield, Tully and Rhys Lyster, all members of local riding group, BDA racing; were amongst those generous supporters of the school.

Another BDA racing member, Tim Briggs, attended assembly on Friday to be presented with a donation of $355 towards the Tour de Cure; a 1194km fundraising ride that Tim is undertaking which supports awareness of and research into curing cancer.

The VCAL students, on hearing about Tim’s efforts to raise money toward this very worthwhile cause, decided to donate proceeds from the canteen program from the last two weeks. With thanks to the ADVANCE program, and the efforts of the Canteen Team the school was able to hand Tim over $355 for the Tour de Cure.

Feathertop - Lee, Stella and Lea

This week as part of our independent living skills unit we have been practicing making tea and coffee, making a bed, reading a train timetable and typing up our resumes. The students enjoyed all of these aspects and it was great to see that some students were quite experienced in making tea and coffee. Some students reported back that they were now making their beds at home every morning.

We have started to look at letter writing this week and how to address an envelope. Some of the students are looking forward to perfecting their letter writing skills so that they can write letters to their favourite celebrities such as Eminem, Taylor Swift, Owen Wilson, Tim McGraw, Clint Eastwood and Barbie.

As part of our cooking program we have made scrambled eggs and macaroni cheese. The students were all a great help and it was wonderful to hear some students report back that they had made scrambled eggs for their family and friends over the weekend. It has also been wonderful to see students trying foods that they have never eaten before. Well done everyone!
Kosciusko - Kate M. and John

The students in Kossie have been producing some great work over the last two weeks. Each student has listed some goals where they want to improve their skills and it is pleasing to see how well they are progressing both individually and as a team. Our group is working very well together to help the new students settle in to their new class and there is some great teamwork being shown in every session. All the students are learning and enjoying doing Bike Ed on Wednesday afternoons and Swimming lesson on Fridays. During these lessons they are being learners, being safe and being respectful. Great work Kossie students, keep up the positive attitudes.

Corey and Shannon working on a Lego design.  Hop and the team at the skate park.  Zach and Bailey using cards together to create Maths sums.

Morgan - Sarah and Sharon

This term the Morgan students are going to take turns to write an item for our newsletter entry. This week Kostya and Amy have written about cooking, shopping and sport.

I love cooking because cooking is a fun thing to do at school. We eat the food we cook, it is tasty and yummy. We always clean up. That bit isn’t fun. Bill and Jo join us to eat our meal. We put a tablecloth and placemats and flowers on the table to make it look pretty.

By Amy

On Monday our class room went bike riding with Hop. We went over the new bridge and then we rode back to school. On Tuesday we went to the shops. We went to Aldi to do shopping for our cooking program. We used vegetables from the garden because we do the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program. And that’s what we did on those two days.

Written by Kostya

Mount Pilot - Dave and Tina

We have been enjoying our swimming sessions at the Barr. All students have been trying really hard to improve their strokes whilst under the expert tutelage of Prue.

Maggie has also been a great help. A big thankyou to parents/carers who attended SSG’s recently. Your input into goal setting and general discussion re your students was invaluable.
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Where: Our Lady’s Primary School
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Time: 9:30am-2:30pm (9:15am for registration)
Cost: FREE (Tea, coffee & biscuits provided ~ participants to bring own lunch)
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When: 3rd, 4th & 5th March, 2015
Where: Our Lady’s Primary School
52-60 White St, Warragatta VIC 3677
Time: 9:30am-2:30pm (9:15am for registration)
Cost: FREE (Tea, coffee & biscuits provided ~ participants to bring own lunch)
Registration: Register online at www.autismspectrum.org.au/registration

Eligibility to participate in this Workshop:
- Parents or carers of children and young adults aged between 6 - 25 years, diagnosed with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)
- The individual with ASD must be living at home
- Participating families are encouraged to invite professionals or service providers working with them to attend the workshop

Families participating in this workshop will:
- Develop an understanding of autism and how an ASD impacts upon learning and behaviour
- Learn how to be proactive by creating an autism friendly environment at home
- Learn how to write an autism specific behaviour support plan for one of their child’s behaviours
- Learn how to write a plan to respond confidently when challenging behaviour occurs
- Learn how to teach new skills to promote their child’s independence and quality of life

Enquiries:
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What participants say about Aspect Positive Behaviour Support Workshops:

"Brilliant information and concrete strategies to use, thank you. I have learnt very important self-reflection, being able to step back and really look at and examine behaviour, so valuable. I really value the focus on being positive and improving my child’s, my own and my family’s quality of life. Great workshop – I will highly recommend it to others."

"Fantastic presentation. Very interactive, affirming & capacity building. Ideas not just discussed but taught how to follow through on.”
"Best information session on Autism I have been to. So much clarity about getting to the core behaviour, unpeeling the onion. Enjoyed all the visuals. Thank you so much."