Shane’s Simplicities......

Steam Engine visit

Plans at this stage are in place for a local steam engine enthusiast (Colin Gravey of Coolgardie) to visit our school on Friday morning (August 15) with his steam engine to demonstrate it to the students of our school. Colin is also bringing along some carriages and is hoping to take students for a ride around the schools playground. This will be a wonderful opportunity for students to see how machines operated in days gone by compared to the wonders of modern motors that we all take for granted in modern transportation. The initial planning for this visit started about 18 months ago and the wet weather at the time put the visit on hold. Our playground is certainly dry enough at present for this visit to proceed and I am sure it will be a wonderful insight for our students.

This event was discussed at the last P&C meeting and it was proposed that students bring in a gold coin donation for this event to help cover the costs Colin faces transporting his equipment to and from our school. Colin has not requested this in any way, but I applaud the idea and it would be appreciated if students can bring in a donation to support this special experience taking place in our school.

Extra Curricula Activities

Across our school we have a number of students and teachers involved in events that will take them beyond our school gate and getting them involved in activities outside our regular school setting. Some of these events include the Lismore District Performing Arts Festival, Tournament of Minds, Maths Olympiad and the fast approaching Woodburn Riverside

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Festival. These opportunities are providing new experiences in the creative arts, problem solving, drama, creative thinking and also through music and singing. I wish to congratulate and recognise the efforts of these students and staff who are extending themselves into new areas and challenges, and doing their best to make the learning environment and opportunities experienced at Woodburn Public School more fulfilling and rewarding. I hope that the challenges and experiences undertaken are enjoyable for you all.

**Canteen News**

Parents and community help is still required to ensure our canteen can continue to operate. This matter will be discussed further at the next meeting of the P&C Association as at present there are too many ‘duties’ falling on one person. The canteen is a service that benefits many students, but without a balanced role of support this service may need to be withdrawn or modified significantly. If you have ideas on how we can better operate our canteen you are most welcome to attend the next P&C meeting to share your thoughts. I appreciate the suggestion of students doing the work, but this is not an acceptable options where food preparation and money handling are concerned.

Other issues arising from the canteen relate to orders being placed at ‘old’ prices. The canteen is not structured to make much money at all (it barely covers its costs at best), and with people not paying correct prices the canteen risks running at a loss. An updated canteen price list is being included with this week’s newsletter. Please be aware of these costs and provide appropriate payments or risk your child’s order not being filled as ordered.

**SRC News**

Term Three Entertainment Night
It’s on this Thursday 14 August. Come along wearing your super hero outfits as we have a great time watching “The Lego Movie”.
Time: 5.30 to 8pm  Cost: $5 per child or $12 per family.
Bring along a plate of yummies for us to sell and some change to spend.

Tracey Tebbutt
SRC Patron

**Year 3/4/5T News**

In conjunction with our literature unit on the novel ‘Rowan of Rin” we are looking at life in medieval times. I would like to use two films, ‘A Knight’s Tale’ and ‘Kingdom of Heaven’ to help students compare and contrast aspects of this period. Both films are rated M, so they require parental permission.
Please return the permission slip allowing your child to view these films by Monday 18 August.

Tracey Tebbutt
Class Teacher

**Premier’s Spelling Bee**

It is that time of year again when we ask for students who want to participate in the Premier’s Spelling Bee. This year it turns 10.
Students who have put their name forward will receive a list of words to learn and have access to the fully annotated list on the department’s website.
The school spell-off date will be in mid-
August.
Tracey Tebbutt
Spelling Coach

**Student Banking**
School Banking is on each Friday morning. If you haven’t opened an account and would like to, please drop into the office.
Lyn Blake
COORDINATOR

**Uniforms**
NEW Hooded Jumpers now in stock - $25 ea, sizes 6 - 16 available. Small & medium adult size school shirts have arrived - these are $20 each.
Kim Skaines
UNIFORM COORDINATOR

**Community Stuff**
**Playgroup at Woodburn Public School**
Every Thursday (during school terms) from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. Come along for a fun morning. We have a great facility with plenty of toys and games. It’s very informal - a chat and morning tea while the kids play. It’s open to Mums, Dads, Grandmas, Grandpas and Carers.

**Wollongbar Public School Fete**
“A Fair to Remember, 2014”
Saturday 1st November 9am-2pm
LOCK IN THE DATE!!

Pre- paid ride passes available from the School Office 7th October, $25 ($30 on the day)

**Mid Richmond MD Mixed Martial Arts**
Taking Students Now!
Gain confidence, fitness, coordination and concentration within a non-aggressive fun program. Learn kicks, punches, blocks and self defence. Children and Adults welcome. Family discounts. First Class Free.
Evans Head Tuesdays and Woodburn on Fridays.

**New MMA Fit Class**
Evans Head Tuesdays. Teenagers and Adults only. No Martial Arts experience needed and beginners welcome. Fitness and Flexibility class only. A fun way to get fit.
CALL KATRINA 0408544357

**Evans Head- Casino Surf lifesaving Club**
Nippers Sign On
24th August 2014 & 14th September 2014
9am to 11am
At the Surf Club

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**Active After Schools**

My Child/children ____________________________________________
would love to participate in the Active After Schools Program.
On:

Wednesday 3:25pm 4:25pm Cricket

My contact details are ____________________________________________

Signature ___________________________ Date ________________
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STOP PRESS: FULL MENU NOW AVAILABLE ON MONDAYS!

Special: Yummy Drummies $1 ea
New: Sakata Rice Crackers BBQ Flavour 80c

Hot Food only available at lunch. New prices are now in effect. REMINDER - BROWN PAPER BAGS ARE 10C EACH IF NOT BROUGHT FROM HOME! Please have your money securely placed in your lunch bag! Parent Helpers for the next week are in bold. Thanks for your ongoing help - we really appreciate you! If you cannot make it on your rostered day it is up to you to find a replacement. Any ideas for canteen PLEASE come along to our next P & C Meeting!