Calendar

Friday 30th March
- Last day for Term 1, Assembly 2.15pm, 2.30pm finish
- Working Bee, 12noon - 4pm
- Term 2 commences
- Anzac Ceremony Years 5 & 6

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PRINCIPAL’S REPORT 30.3.2012
THE END OF TERM ALREADY!

Well it is that time of the term when everyone is thinking about holidays and relaxing. I would like to wish all children and their families a most enjoyable break over the holidays (and Easter). Keep safe and healthy during and enjoy a well-deserved rest.

To all staff members who have worked tirelessly to provide a great start to the year, have a well-deserved break and thanks for your enthusiasm and hard work during Term 1. We will look forward to even greater achievements in Term 2.

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UPWEY PRIMARY SCHOOL BILLY CART GRAND PRIX
This annual event was held on Tuesday this week. Thanks to children and parents for the huge support; the most drivers we have had in 6 years! The PA/Fundraising Hot Dog Lunch was also a huge success and I thank the workers for their magnificent effort. The award winners for each year level were:
Prep-Adam W (2nd Nathan D, 3rd Ben M & Marley R) Year 1- Jai B (2nd Lila O, 3rd Dylan C) Year 2- Sam M (2nd Kurtis H, 3rd Lydia A) Year 3- Leeson T (2nd Imogen M, 3rd Sienna Q) Year 4- Caitlin S (2nd Jimmy H, 3rd Rhiannon M) Year 5- Marshall B (2nd Joel M, 3rd Jay T) Year 6- Nathan D (2nd Luke M, 3rd Oliver G) Staff- Mr Aspinall (2nd Mr Gallaher)

UPWEY PRIMARY SCHOOL FOOD STALL – KNOX RELAY FOR LIFE
Thanks to all the volunteers who assisted with our food stall at the Knox Relay for Life held last Saturday. We raised just under $200 and provided a donation to the Relay for Life organisers. Thanks Samantha E for organising our involvement and to the PA for a huge level of involvement, including cooking up the food and selling on the stall. It was our first venture into this activity and one that is likely to continue.

STAFF PLANNING WEEK COMPLETE
Teachers have completed their planning week in preparation for Term 2 so we have not had normal Specialist Classes – Music, Art/Craft or PE this week. Thanks to the staff that filled in during this time, particularly Mrs Pergl, Mrs Mitchell, Mr Douglas and Mrs Slavnic.

ART LESSONS DURING TERM 2
Due to commitments for Mrs Mitchell during Term 2 (she will be relieving the art teacher at another school during the term) we will be having all Art/Craft lessons on a Friday in Term 2. The Art/Craft timetable from Tuesdays will be transferred directly to Friday afternoons.

BASKETBALL INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR PREP TO YEAR 2 CHILDREN
This is the final chance for the invitation to be accepted by parents/children. Please contact me if you are interested in becoming involved.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
The April School Council Meeting was held on Monday 26th March. Some of the matters dealt with included:
• Adjusting the Annual Report for 2012 in preparation for going on the MySchool website.
• Support for the list of Fundraising events for the year
• Discussions about the Upwey Tecoma Community Recreation Sporting Hub group who are seeking funding for development of the sporting complex.
JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL FUNDRAISER
The first Junior School Council fundraiser for the year is today’s Out of Uniform Day. Children are encouraged to make a gold coin donation for our local charity Soupees. This will be added to the Billy Cart Grand Prix Fundraising event. Children who have paid their Billy Cart entrance fee will not be required to provide the gold coin donation today. Overall we raised about $270. Thanks everyone for the great effort.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION
ANZAC CEREMONY FOR GRADE 5/6R
Grade 5/6 R children will be representing the school at the Legacy Anzac Ceremony for local schools on Wednesday 18th April, which is at the beginning of Term 2. The ceremony will be held at the Ferntree Gully National Park. The children will be walking to and from the ceremony where they will lay a wreath in memory of those who have lost their lives in Wars.

CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION LESSONS
CRE will begin for Grade 3/4/5G on Wednesday 18th April with Mrs Shirley Martin.
CRE will begin for Grade 1/2A on Wednesday 18th April with Mrs Hickingbottom.
CRE will begin for Grade 5/6R on Wednesday 2nd May with Mrs Chris Simpson.
I will have two volunteer staff members, Mrs Little and Mrs Forde assisting the program.

EASTER RAFFLE DONATIONS
Thanks to all those who gave donations for inclusion in the Easter Hampers for the Easter Raffle. The response was huge and we appreciate this huge level of support.

ASHTON SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS
Thanks to Kristy B for collating the latest orders and distributing information to families. Thanks also to all the parents and families for the great response. We had an amazing amount of orders, I think about $600 worth! This made Kristy’s job a difficult but no doubt enjoyable one – to think that good value books are being ordered and the school is receiving a benefit of new books also.

THANKS
WORKING BEE WORK/MOWING & BRUSHCUTTING
Thanks to David M for such great work in brush cutting the area to the side of the vegie garden and mowing the lawn near the pirate ship playground/school administration building recently. This effort is much appreciated.
Thanks also to Mr G for organising the working bee last week. One more blackberry bush has been eliminated thanks to the assistance of David M, Michelle My (& Josh), Birgit G, Daniela G, Wendell H (& Connor), Lorraine A and Miss Andrews.

REMINDETERS
HEADLICE
There are several cases of head lice in the school at the moment so please be on the lookout and treat your child/ren as required. The school holidays will be an ideal opportunity to check and treat for headlice. Please take this opportunity to ensure your child is headlice free.

GRADE 6 JUMPERS
We have received most of the orders for our Grade 6 jumpers. We hope to have them here by early next term. We are also considering for the first time to have green polo shirts made with the same printing on the back. If you are interested in ordering one please notify the office.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS 2012
On the last day of Term 1, Friday 30th March, I will be presenting Attendance Awards for children with excellent attendance records this year. The awards were introduced in 2011 and the certificates recognise the children with extremely high attendance and minimal absences for each term of the year, and congratulate them on this fine record. (Absences and late attendance will affect attendance rates).

UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS
SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY- SUNSMART POLICY
School hats are not required to be worn during Term 2 and Term 3.

GUESS WHO VISITED UPWEY P.S. TODAY?

EASTER COLOURING IN COMPETITION

THE JUDGES

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS!
Well done to all our students for producing such creative Art work this term. Work is on display around the school and in the Art room, so please pop in to have a look. The work the students bring home at the end of term 1 largely consists of preliminary sketches and ideas for final pieces. Attached to this work is the project assessment rubric. Please take time to discuss with your child, the contents of the rubric, as this helps reinforce their learning and develop their Arts language. Their final pieces of work will remain on display for most of term 2, at the end of which it will be sent home.

Many of our students come from very creative families and their enthusiasm and motivation in Art is wonderful! Next term, we are doing a whole school Textiles project. We’re all very excited about getting started and many of our students already have skills in this area that have been taught at home, which is wonderful!

Enjoy the holidays,
Mrs. Mitchell
Hi all.

Just wanted to say thanks everyone for a great term 1 in BASC.
I hope you all had as much fun as I did.
Have a fantastic holiday
and see you in term 2.
Sam :)

School Holiday Working Bee

On Wednesday April 11th, 12noon to 4pm
If you can spare an hour or so, please join us here at school. We always have plenty to do!!!!
Monbulk Rangers Soccer Club Goalkick 2012

The club Goalkick program runs for a 75 minute session per week for a 16 week period. It includes skill drills suitable for all ages and skill levels with a game of Rooball at the end of each session. The rooball is a modified small-sided game usually of 5 or 6 per side.

Goalkick is for boys and girls aged 5 – 9 years old and is designed to introduce young children to the game of soccer. It focuses on basic skills and activities that promote maximum fun in a non-competitive environment.

It starts in the first Week of May at 4.15pm and finishes at 5.30pm. The venue and day decided for this season will be Monbulk Recreation Reserve Moores Rd Monbulk. It does not run through the school holidays.

On the day:
- Group warm up
- Skill drills
- Game rooball
- Children are assigned to groups according to age and ability
- maximum participation opportunities for all children involved
- parents are encouraged to actively participate

Note: Shin pads are compulsory (Can be purchased from the club)

A gala day is normally organized at the end of the season to play against another club if possible. The children are supplied club shirts to participate.

Each child receives a medal at the end of the season.

Registration forms are available for download from our website www.monbulkrangers.org.au
And the cost for the program is $150. Registration on registration days will allow the club to inform you the week prior to the start of the program. No uniform is required.

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Last year we raised an amazing $6,300 for our school. Some of this money has already been earmarked for projects around the school. Teachers and Parent Aux complete a wish list of goods and make some suggestions on expenditure. The wish lists are still being finalised. School Council will then make the final approval on these lists.

This year we are aiming to raise another $6,000. The Parent Auxiliary has tried to find new and exciting ways to raise money, both from within our school community and from outside means, through various drives, evening events and of course a Bunnings BBQ. We have tried to gain outside means of fundraising ie. Bunnings BBQ, as this raises a lot of money (usually around $1,200) without targeting our own families.

Parent Auxiliary put forth a submission of fundraisers we would like to run this year and have achieved School Council approval for the list attached. We would love some extra assistance with any of these events; you do not have to join PA to help out. The PA will co-ordinate the purchasing and any organisation needed on events, but assistance on the day is always required and any help you can offer is fantastic.

We have tried to select fundraisers using local companies and those who provide employment opportunities to those less fortunate. We also use local bakeries and butchers to purchase necessary requirements. We have planned two community events, one major and one minor each term. You may have noticed there’s no Chocolate Drive. We have decided not to hold the chocolate drive this year and have the Living fundraisers instead. This is an exciting fundraiser as it involves buying kits of vegies or herbs to grow at home!

If there are any events you would like to help out with, please let us know which event and leave your name and contact number at the office.

Thanks for your ongoing support,
Parents Auxiliary
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