Last Friday, the students were treated to a Pizza Party Lunch as a reward for earning a combined 250 RESPECT stickers as part of our School Wide Positive Behaviour Support Program. As you can see by the pictures, a yummy time was had by all.
Reading Challenger

Well done to James who is leading the way with tackling the 2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge. James is currently reading his 14th book which leaves him just one book to go. A reminder that Year Ones are required to read 30 books from the selected picture story book collection, whilst other year levels need to read 15 novels. The challenge ends mid-September.

Reports

As most of you will already know, we send written reports home in Terms 2 and 4. Parent/Teacher Conferences are held in Terms 1 and 3. In addition parents are always welcome to arrange a time for a meeting at any stage during the year. Last year Welton created and introduced our own report format. A survey was sent home at the beginning of this year and it was unanimous that this format was preferred over the departmental one we had been using. Our intent is to provide your with a general overview of the curriculum studied thus far, the types of programs/activities that are taking place and personalised commentary concerning your child’s learning. Our front page will no longer be produced using the previously supplied Quickvic software. The Department of Education and Training have now asked schools to pay for the software that was previously supplied free of charge. We have opted for a different software program due to economic reasons. There will be a delay in actioning this new software as our database must be rebuilt and loaded onto the school server. In the interim we will still provide families with all required information in the reports to be distributed next week but some information will be in a format different from what you will see when our new reporting system, GradeXpert, is up and running.

Want To Play?

It has been brought to our attention that there are some families with pre-primary aged students who would like to catch up for a casual cuppa and play. Welton would like to assist with this by offering our facilities and equipment. The plan is to run the playgroup on a fortnightly basis between 10am and 12pm at the school. If you or anyone you know might be interested in attending please contact Lisa at the school.

Get Your Skates On

The last day of term is fast approaching. The traditional end of term activity has been declared ‘Wheelie Day’. The Year Six Students will be organising some wheelie fun activities. Students may bring along their scooters, bike, roller blades or other wheeled item. Students may come out of uniform, but should take care to wear items suitable for sporting/riding activities. All students must also bring a bike helmet if they are bringing along their wheeled item. Although additional protection for children in the form of elbow and knee pads are also highly recommended we feel that full body armour or flame suits would only be necessary for participating adults. Parents are most welcome to participate and/or spectate from 12 pm onwards. School will be dismissed at 2.15 pm on this day, with the bus making its afternoon run an hour earlier.
Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund

So far we have had minimal response to the information and form sent home in last week’s newsletter. This fund is paid to the school by the Victorian Government for each child whose parents are eligible. It is used to cover the costs of school excursions, camps and sporting activities for your child/ren. Holders of a current health care card or a pensioner concession card are eligible. It would be in your best financial interest to return the form. Forms are due by next Wednesday. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 24 June..............................................................Reports Distributed
Friday 26 June ................................................................. End of Term “Wheelie Day”
Monday 13 July ................................................................. Term 3 commences