HE’S FINISHED
PRC CHAMP

MID-YEAR REPORTS
TODAY

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WHEELIE DAY

iPADS
LOCKED UP

WELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL
Education For Country Kids

NEWSLETTER

Hoo Roo
Happy Holidays
We would like to wish all of our students and their families a safe and enjoyable holiday break. We hope you find some warmth and sunshine, in each other and the weather, and we look forward to seeing all of the students back ready for Semester Two on July 13.

Thank You From Her
I wanted to take this opportunity to give a heartfelt thanks to Bruce (AKA Mr T) for his dedication, professionalism, willingness to ‘go the extra mile- and back again’, practicality and most of all friendship. I have worked with Bruce (off and on- mostly the latter) for nearly 18 years and have always greatly valued his work ethic, advice and most of all support. I know I speak for Rachelle and Joy in wishing him a very relaxing and enjoyable retirement (for the second time) and know that although it is not goodbye- it just wont be the same around here without him.
Lisa

And From Him
As of Wednesday 24th June 2015, a rich part of Welton Primary School's proud history will quietly ride off into the sunset with the maybe final retirement of Mr 'T' as everyone affectionately knows him. I’m sure that I can speak for and will be supported by all School Council Members past and present in writing a small acknowledgement to Mr T. We will all be forever grateful for the invaluable teaching, leadership, life skills and outdoor education knowledge passed on through decades to Welton students and parents alike. That sort of knowledge and experience is hard to come by and Welton Primary has been very lucky to be able to draw on that from someone living right next door in our community. Above all Mr T’s calm and wise counsel in all sorts of situations and at various times will no doubt leave a hole hard to fill. Although not disappearing completely from our little School, Mr T will be greatly missed after such a long and committed time. I’m sure he will still receive plenty of calls and requests for his help or friendly knowledgeable ear when needed. As we all know Mr T is not one for a lot of fanfare - so good luck and all the very best for this next phase of your life Mr T; I hope you enjoy it as much as we’ve enjoyed your presence over the years. Adios and Go the Saints Mr T,

Marty Baldwin
On Behalf of the WPS School Council

Wheelie Day
Don't forget this Friday is our Inaugural Wheelie Day. Students are permitted to bring a wheeled item (and safety gear) to school. There will be Whacky Races, time-trials and agility events to find out who is the Welton Wheelie Whiz. Students are permitted to come in casual dress- a reminder enclosed shoes and ‘wheelie-suitable’ clothing should be worn.
A reminder that school will finish one hour earlier than normal and therefore the bus will be bringing your cherubs home an hour ahead of the usual time.
iPads
A reminder to families of students who do not own their iPad that these devices are not permitted to be taken home on the holidays. They will be locked safely away; the iPads not the kids. If you do own your iPad, but would prefer it to not come home on the holidays, we get it and these too can be stored safely at school.

Premier’s Reading Challenge
Congratulations to James Barrat who has now completed the PRC. What a fantastic effort. Students are reminded to keep reading over the holidays and have books signed off in their student diaries. Most students are well on their way to meeting this challenge, whilst some better get their skates on!

Reports
Student reports have been sent home today. As mentioned in last week’s newsletter, we are currently changing over the company we use to export our student data to the Department. This data is typically presented to you as the page with the dots and letter grades. As the company is still sorting through our data, we are unable to supply you with the ‘official’ data page. We have instead, given you a page with progression points and a guide to the expected level for your child’s year level. As soon as we can, we will provide you with the official page.

If any parents would like to make an appointment to discuss their child’s report, you are most welcome do so.

Year One Parents Please Note:
The F on your child’s data page—refers to Foundation (and is not an F grading—heaven forbid). Foundation is the official name for students enrolled in Prep. Therefore at the end of Prep your child was expected to be at Level F. Now that they are in Year One their expected level is F.5

MACC News
The students will be not be taking home their Art workbooks for you to view this half year. The work they are completing for their Map Books will be compiled and spiral bound once completed. This will be taken home to keep later in the year. I have included a MACC report with the children’s school report documents. Next term we will be working in the area of Construction; learning different methods and techniques before completing a final piece of work.
I hope everyone has a safe and happy break and see you all next term.

Sally Bentley - MACC Art Teacher
LEITCHVILLE HOLIDAY PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY JULY 1st & WEDNESDAY JULY 8th
Time: 10AM – 2PM

LEITCHVILLE ANGLICAN CHURCH HALL
LUNCH, SNACKS & ACTIVITIES PROVIDED
$6 PER CHILD PER DAY
RSVP: 26th JUNE 2015, is a must.
AGES UP TO 12.
Limited to 30 CHILDREN
only per day.
Parents must accompany children UNDER 5 years
CONTACT: DEBBIE 0409578073

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 26 June ........................................................... End of Term “Wheelie Day”
Saturday 27 June - Sunday 12 July .......................Have Fun With Kiddies Time
Monday 13 July ................................................................. Term 3 commences