Arty Constructions

I think I have the nicer smile
Hands On Maths

One of our Mathematics topics for this term is Directions and Maps. Last week the Prep/One Students were learning about left and right and had to program Bee-bots to make turns to form a square- more challenging than they first thought. The Year 3-6 class had to apply their knowledge of distance, direction and angles to make their Pro-bots travel to desired destinations using large maps. Who said, Maths was all pen and paper work!

Lucky Us

I am sure you will all recall the generosity of Mr Robert Thomson, who so kindly donated funds for us to purchase sports equipment. This is certainly being well utilised by our students. Each of our students wrote him a personalised thank-you letter with photos of them using their favourite piece of equipment. Mr Thomson was so touched by these letters that he has been in contact to ask if he could ‘sponsor’ an excursion for our students. For some time now, the staff have wanted to take the students to Scienceworks and the Planetarium in Melbourne, but it has always proved too expensive, mainly due to travel costs. We are thrilled to announce that due to Mr Thomson's generosity we are able to provide our students with such an excursion at no cost to families. We have booked to go on Wednesday August 26th. Sessions for the Planetarium will tie in beautifully with our theme on Space. The Scienceworks Museum has lots of interactive displays and virtual tours for our students to attend. Details relating to travel times will be in upcoming newsletters. At the moment, we are still pinching ourselves. In the words of Darby, “How did we get so lucky?”

Thanks Grandma Dottie

Last week we all enjoyed some delicious oranges donated by Grandma Dottie Williams, Joy’s Mum. These oranges sure brightened up our day- nothing like a bit of liquid sunshine when you can't access any of the real stuff.

Be Responsible

Next Wednesday, the P-4 Students will be visited by representatives from the Responsible Pet Ownership Program. Students will learn about how to not only care for their pets, but how to be safe around others’ pets.

Missing

Could all families please check their school windcheater collection. Matilda is missing a named, and very new, blue top. If you have this item in your possession, please hand it over and no charges will be laid. In fact, we can reward you with a collection of un-named blue jumpers as a replacement!
Wishing both Daria and Oskar fast healing as they recover from their broken bones. Daria has a broken hand and Oskar a suspected broken nose; a horse can give a pretty impressive head butt. Luckily we breed ‘em tough here at Welton and both kiddies are going about their usual business of learning.

Timetable
Term 3, has seen some minor alternations to our weekly timetable and teaching duties. A copy of this term’s timetable has been attached for your information. This may help with working out which staff are working when and who is teaching your child/ren for a particular subject. Naturally, due to extra-curricular activities and special events, there are alterations to the normal timetable from time to time. Please note that Joy continues to work in the office on Wednesday mornings and all day Friday. Any questions relating to updating of contact information or payments should be directed to her on these days.

It’s That Time Again
Each year, the Department of Education & Training, ask that parents complete a survey that reflects their experiences and opinions of our school. This survey is carried out in all State Schools across Victoria. Due to our small numbers, all families are required to participate in this survey. Please read the attached letter and return completed surveys by Friday July 31st. Thank you in advance.

Rock ’n Roll
Rock and Roll Classes are back on at the Torrumbarry Hall on Thursday nights. Classes begin at 7.30 pm and cost $10 per session. Kids under 12 are free. This is a wonderful chance to keep fit, have fun and be a part of a Torrumbarry Community Event.

Earn And Learn
We are participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn Program. This program gives schools the chance to earn stickers that can be ‘cashed in’ for educational resources. The more stickers we collect, the more resources, we can select. If you shop at Woolworths/Safeway you will be given a sticker for every $10 you spend. You can put the sticker into the Welton Primary School collection box (in store) or stick it to the sticker sheet attached to last week’s newsletter. Once the sticker sheet is full, it can be sent along to school. We have extra sticker sheets here at school. Ask your friends and extended family to collect on our behalf and hopefully we can earn some great resources for our little school.

COMING SOON: July 29-Responsible Pet Ownership; Aug 26 Scienceworks Excursion; Aug 28-School Sports