Meeting A Real Star

Jayden reckons Star was the star of the recent Responsible Pet Ownership session.
What’s SWPBS?

Sharna Woodgate Positive Behaviour Star.
A huge congratulations to Sharna, who is the very first student to earn fifty School Wide Positive Behaviour Support stickers. Sharna selected a voucher from Paramount Cinemas as her prize. To earn her stickers and the subsequent reward, Sharna has consistently displayed and executed positive behaviours in each of the four areas of Respect. She has shown Respect for Self, Respect for Others, Respect for Learning and Respect for the Environment. We look forward to celebrating with her fellow classmates as they each reach this milestone.

LEFT: Year six classmates Angus and Darby accept the SWPBS Award on Sharna’s behalf. Sadly she was unable to attend Tuesday’s glitzy ceremony.

We’re Back Online

Our telephone woes appear to have been rectified - fingers crossed. There were some cables that had deteriorated close to the exchange, that have now been replaced. Please use the landline when possible as the mobile service is hit and miss within the main school building.

Thanks For Your Opinion

Thank you to all families for the return of the parent opinion surveys. These will now be sent off to the DEECD for collation. This is the first time I can recall having a 100% return, so give yourselves a collective pat on the back.

Responsible Pet Ownership

Last Wednesday, the P-4 students were visited by Jade and her appropriately named best friend, Star. Students participated in a range of hands-on and electronic presentations that were designed to educate them about approaching other people’s animals, caring for their own animals and understanding animal welfare issues. The Year 5/6 Students were busy working on organising our end of year camp to Phillip Island.

School Photographs

School photographs were taken today. Apologies for the delay in getting the photo envelopes/orders out to you but this was unavoidable due to distribution delays at the photographer’s end.
Athletics Coaching & Fun Day
On Friday August 14th we have been invited, along with staff and students from Koondrook and Leitchville Primary Schools, to join with the Gunbower crew to take part in an Athletics Coaching and Fun Sports Day at Gunbower. Mr Blake, from Gunbower has organised coaches from Athletics Victoria to work with groups of students throughout the day. Students will also be participating in the full range of events that they will be expected to compete in at our Cluster Athletics on Friday August 28th. Students will need a refillable drinker, morning snacks and a packed lunch for the day. Permission slips are attached and should be returned by Monday August 10th. Transport will be in the Ms D limo otherwise known at Crowe’s 12 seater hire bus. Merv and the School Bus will make their normal morning and afternoon runs. Cost is $4 per student to help with the cost of the bus hire.

Hari Budaya Indonesia
We are very fortunate to have been invited to participate in an Indonesian Cultural Day to be held at Echuca College. This event will take place on the morning of Friday August 21st. District Primary and Secondary Schools will be in attendance. Our students will attend a Pentawasik Performance, followed by Mask Making and Dance sessions. There is no cost associated with this day as Echuca College received a Cultural Grant to run the day. Weather permitting we will join our friends from Gunbower Primary School for lunch at the Moama Play Park before returning home. Students will need a packed lunch, snacks and a drink. A permission slip will be sent home with next week’s newsletter. Travel arrangements are most likely to be the Ms D limo again but this is still to be confirmed.

Annual Murray Plains Athletics Sports
Just because we like to be out on a Friday, our Cluster Athletic Sports are being held on Friday August 28th at the Cohuna No. 2 Oval in Cohuna. Parents are asked to arrange their own transport to and from this event. We are once again in charge of running the hurdles event and would like some parent assistance with this during the day. A roster will be sent home in next week’s newsletter. There is no cost associated with this day and families are encouraged to come along, watch, help out and picnic with the Cluster Students and Staff. The day commences at 10am sharp and usually finishes before 2pm. Hope to see you all there. Go Welton!

Rock ’n Roll
Yes it was cold last week but that’s just incentive to keep on rockin’. So rock on up next Thursday to the Torrumbarry Hall and keep warm by rockin’ on. We have, however, filled up the gas cylinder so that those with dodgy joints don’t break in half. The dancing begins at 7.30 pm and the cost is $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.

Scienceworks Museum and Planetarium
A reminder that our excursion to the Scienceworks Museum and Planetarium is taking place on Wednesday August 26th. This will be a day excursion to Melbourne and will mean an early start, followed by a late finish. We will be leaving Torrumbarry at 6.30am and aim to be back between 5.30pm and 5.45pm. More details will be on the permission slip sent home next week. This excursion is of no cost to families as it has been made possible due to the extremely kind donation of Mr Robert Thomson, a former Torrumbarry resident and now Newscorp CEO.
A Most Welcome Visitor

We have recently learned that Mr Thomson is coming to pay us a visit tomorrow. He will bring his wife and two teenage sons with him. The students along with staff and School Council members, will take this opportunity to personally thank him for his generosity. The visit is a low key and a brief one but something we are looking forward to none the less. The students will be preparing him and his family a special morning tea as a demonstration of their appreciation for his generosity. The senior students have been busy preparing to deliver a brief presentation about our school and tour for Mr Thomson and his family. Photos will be in next week’s newsletter.

Torrumbarry Fishing Club

We’re all members! Last week, Brett O’Driscoll from the recently resurrected Torrumbarry Fishing Club came up to the school to let myself and the students know that they voted to provide each of our students with a FREE membership to the club. They are also in the process or organising some events for our students to take part in. Thank you to the Torrumbarry Fishing Club for thinking of us. Let’s hope we can all hook a big, fat, Murray Cod, very soon!

Thanks To Two

Did you know that on Wednesday mornings Chrissy Kalinowski, Daria and Lucas’ Mum, and Jean Forbes, a wonderful friend of Welton, come to school to assist with our reading program? Thank you to both of these wonderful ladies who take time out of their schedules to come up to the school and listen to children reading. Students and staff, although we sometimes forget to say it, really appreciate your efforts Chrissie and Jean. Thank

Thanks To Another Two

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our newest staff member, Mrs Sharon Flight, for her willingness and flexibility on Monday. Sharon took over the MARC Library role with very little notice (a desperate 8am phone call) when Mrs CW called in sick. I was already on my way to Shepparton for a meeting. This meant Sharon took the reins and was flying solo until Mrs Bentley arrived to take Art later in the day. Thanks Sharon- you are a gem. Also a big thank you to the recently retired Mr T who comes up each and every Tuesday to compile my ramblings and sketchy photographic attempts into an eye-catching and easy to read newsletter. Mr T has also been busy assisting with organising the new reporting software. Thank you, Bruce. Welton would be lost without you!

COMING SOON

Friday August 14........ Athletics Coaching Fun Day at Gunbower
Friday August 21 ...... Indonesian Cultural Day at Echuca College
Wednesday August 26.........................Scienceworks Excursion
Friday August 28.............................Annual School Sports

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You can pay over the phone or via direct deposit to the school.