Big congratulations to Angus and Oskar who proved their mettle at the recent Zone Athletics Championships in Bendigo. Angus took first place in Discus and Shot Putt and Oskar finished second in the Long Jump. We are very proud of their accomplishments and wish them well at the Regional Championships in Bendigo in October.
Environmental Excitement

On Monday, Welton hosted the students and staff from the Murray Plains Cluster Schools so we could all participate in an Environment Day. Students participated in a range of engaging and fun activities including a Combat Course, Challenge Course, Shelter Building, Damper Making, Environmental Art and Environmental Science. Thank you to the Welton students for their assistance in setting up the combat course and being the 'guinea pigs' for some of the activities. Also a big thank you to Darren Woodgate, Sharon, Mark, Tenniele and Leeton Flight for coming along on Sunday afternoon to put up the ropes, and as it turned out, fixing the ride-on mower.

You’re Invited

We are very fortunate to have been offered ‘In-house’ training for existing and future School Council Members. This training will take place at the school on Monday October 26th. The training is in two parts; the first part 3pm- 5pm is for School Council Presidents and Vice-Presidents and those thinking of moving into this role. The second part of the training is for existing School Council Members and those wanting to find out more about how School Councils operate. This training will provide both existing members and those thinking of joining the chance to learn about the function and role of School Council. I strongly encourage each family to send along a representative. If you would like to attend please let Lisa know by the end of this week, as names need to be provided to the trainers. Gunbower Primary School Council will be joining us for this training.

Learning Plans

I will be sending home your child/ren's previous learning plan, with teacher comments later in the week. Term 4 sees us trialling student directed learning plans, where each student is asked to identify what they perceive is their learning need in Literacy and Numeracy. After discussion with Lisa, goals and achievement methods will be set that the students will have ownership over. It is envisioned that with this direct input from students they will be more closely involved in monitoring their progress and ensuring they stay motivated to achieve the goals they set. New plans will be sent home at the beginning of term 4.

It’s Almost Over

Term 3 ends this Friday. A reminder that school will finish one-hour earlier on this day. I would like to take this opportunity to wish students, families and staff a safe and enjoyable break. I will be on leave for the first week of term 4 and I know the kids are in excellent hands with both Rachelle and Sharon who will be covering for the week. You are reminded that the pie-warmer does not operate in Terms 4.

Footy Fever

Friday is our annual Footy Day. Students are encouraged to wear football themed attire. Students will take part in footy themed activities both sporting and academic and enjoy a hotdog lunch. Please return orders for lunch by tomorrow at the latest.
Lawns
A reminder to the Baldwin (M & N) family that the lawns will need mowing before our return for Term 4. Should you be in a period of intense mourning due to the lack-lustre performances of the Hawks, that is no excuse. You must do your duty. In the unlikely event that the Hawks make it through, please remain calm and keep the ride-on mower on the grass. Thank you to Darren Woodgate for doing some poisoning over the weekend. Also a big thanks to the Welton Kiddies for their hard work with the weeding of the garden beds last week- you all did a super job.

Play Time
We are very excited to announce that Welton will be the venue for the newly created Torrumbarry and District Playgroup. A flyer is attached to this week’s newsletter and a letter drop will take place later this week. Please encourage anyone you know with a pre-school aged children to make contact and attend the group, which will meet on a fortnightly basis. Our students will play a small role in assisting with the set up and activities for the group.

Year 3/4 Are Out Of Here
Every second year the Year Three and Four students are invited to attend an overnight camp at Barham. They are joined by staff and students from Gunbower, Leitchville and Koondrook Primary Schools. This year’s camp will be on Tuesday October 20th and Wednesday October 21st. This camp provides the students with the opportunity to socialise with each other as well as assisting them to become more independent. It is great preparation for longer camps. Lisa will attend the camp with the students on the Tuesday and stay the night. Sharon Flight will come up on the Wednesday morning so Lisa can return to school. More details relating to cost, which will be minimal, requirements and medical forms will be sent home in early Term 4.

Sleeping Over
Our whole school sleep over has been rescheduled for Thursday October 29th. I realise this date is smack-bang between the Year 3/4 overnight camp to Barham and Somers, but we are limited with suitable dates. More details about the sleep over closer to the date.

Nit Picking
It would appear that with the warmer weather, head lice have made a come back. I have only had one reported case, however, experience tells me there will be more. Please be vigilant in regularly checking your children and treat as soon as you spot the little beggers, or their eggs. A reminder that follow-up treatment is always recommended seven days after the initial treatment.

Cricket
The Leitchville-Gunbower Cricket Club under 14’s registration night and training camp, run by Doncaster Cricket Club, is on Friday September 25th at Gunbower. The start time is 4pm. Any under 12’s wishing to play Milo Cricket may also attend this training session. For more information please contact Simone Jones on 0459422800.
COMING SOON
Friday 18 September .................................Footy Colours Day/End of Term
Monday 5 October .................................School Resumes for T4
Wednesday 14 October...............................Welton Playgroup 10 am - 12 noon
Monday 26 October .................................School Council “in-house” Training
Tuesday/Wednesday 20 & 21 October................................Year 3/4 Camp
Thursday 29 October...............................Whole School Sleepover
Monday 2 - Wednesday 11 November..............Somers Camp

FREE JUNIOR TENNIS
COME & TRY DAY
Thursday 1st October
10am til 11:30am
All equipment supplied
Wear runners, hat & sunscreen
Games & giveaways!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT
JUNIOR TENNIS COMP
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