A belated welcome back to Term 4. This term is shaping up to be a very busy one for our students, staff and families. Please ensure you carefully read, and write down, dates and times of upcoming events so that you don't miss anything.
Playgroup

Our first playgroup is scheduled for today, Wednesday. This is an opportunity for future Welton kiddies, and of course their parents, to play, learn and grow together. We hope to get support from our district families to allow us to continue to offer this service for parents/guardians and their pre-school aged children. A subsequent playgroup session is scheduled for Wednesday October 28th here at the school commencing at 10 am. Please help spread the word.

Learning Plans

Attached to this week’s newsletter is each student’s Individual Learning Plan. Each student has a Literacy and a Numeracy goal. Students in Years 3-6 have set their own goals in these two areas. Students at all levels have a third goal in either Study Skills/Organisation or Independence. Please read through your child’s plan. The attached copy is to be retained for your records. Please direct any queries to Lisa.

Angus and Oskar

Angus and Oskar competed in the Zone Athletics on Monday in Bendigo. Both boys were up against some stiff competition from all over our region but acquitted themselves admirably. Angus competed in the Discus and Shot Put; he placed third in the Discus and second in the Shot Put with a mighty heave of 9.20 metres. Angus is now eligible to compete at the State level in this event. What an effort! Oskar competed in the Long Jump and finished fourth with an amazing leap of 3.39 metres. We here at Welton celebrate their efforts and all strength to Angus’s arm when he competes in Melbourne.

Bunnings Barbecue

On Sunday November 22nd we are holding a sausage sizzle at Bunnings Echuca. Last year was very successful and we raised over $800 to assist with the cost of attending Energy Breakthrough in Maryborough. This year we are hoping to raise money to contribute to the cost of travelling to and from our Whole School Camp to Phillip Island. We would like each family to volunteer some time throughout the day to assist with the cooking and sales. Students over the age of 10 are able to work in place of, or alongside their parent. Students under the age of 10 are not permitted to be in the service area. We understand that some families may have prior commitments for this weekend. Should you be unavailable we certainly have some other tasks that you could assist with in terms of organisation prior to the event. A timetable and further details will be in next week’s newsletter.

Footy Fever

On the last day of Term 3, we held our Annual Footy Day. It was fantastic to see all students get into the theme of things. The year six boys ran a footy clinic for the students that involved handball and kicking skills. This was followed by a delicious hot dog lunch. A huge thank you to Stacey and Brendan for their kind donation of flavoured milk and icy poles.
Whole School Camp

This is scheduled from Tuesday December 15 until Thursday December 17, the last week of school. This will be a fantastic three days away in one of Victoria's most beautiful and interesting environments. The camp will give our students the opportunity to experience a coastal environment and visit many different attractions. Camps also foster independence skills in students and teach them to be self-sufficient, organised and how to conduct themselves away from school and family. Friday December 18 will be a curriculum day and no students will be required at school. Final arrangements and costings are being ascertained this week and will be made available to families as soon as I have them. We are endeavouring to keep the costs as low as possible for families as we know it is a very expensive time of year. It is my hope that we can offer this camp for $100 or below for each child. If your child/ren is not going to be attending this camp, please let Lisa know as soon as possible so bookings and price adjustments can be made accordingly. Please note that due to limited sleeping places and our quest to keep costs at a minimum we are not able to have additional parents in attendance at our camp.

Cookbooks

Did you get your copy of this great publication? We have sold out of the first print run of the Welton Cookbook; but there is good news. We are currently in the process of printing, collating and binding more copies. If you would like to order a book, please contact the school. The cost per book is $20 and all funds raised contribute to reducing the cost of our end of year camp.

Four Are Out Of Here

All families of Year Three and Four students should have now received, and returned, notices relating to next week’s camp at Barham. A reminder that students can travel on the bus to school on the Tuesday morning and return home again on the afternoon run on Wednesday. Let’s hope the weather is kind. For more information regarding this camp, please contact Lisa.

Sleeping Over

A reminder that our whole school sleepover is on soon. This sleepover was earned as a reward by the students as part of our School Wide Positive Behaviour Support Program. A notice with all of the details was sent home on Monday with each child. If you have any questions please contact Lisa.

Torrumbarry Hall

The Triennial Reporting/General Meeting of the Torrumbarry Hall Committee will be held at the Hall on Tuesday 20 October commencing at 7.30 pm.

Community members who have an interest in the future of the Torrumbarry Hall must attend this meeting.

Any enquiries can be directed to Jenni Candy on 0448 772 597
COMING SOON

Tuesday/Wednesday 20 & 21 October ........................................ Year 3/4 Camp
Wednesday 28 October ......................................................... Welton Playgroup 10.00 am
Monday 2 - Wednesday 11 November ...................................... Somers Camp
Saturday 22 November .......................................................... Bunnings Barbecue
Tuesday 15 - Thursday 17 December ...................................... Whole School Camp
Tuesday 3 November ............................................................. Melbourne Cup Day Holiday

Campaspe Carp Catch

Sunday 25 October 2015
12 noon – 4.00pm

Echuca
Lions Park, Ogilvie Ave

Rochester
Campaspe River Reserve beside water tower

Strathallan
Strathallan Community Hall, Strathallan Rd

Elmore
Aysons Reserve, 799 Burnewang Rd

Axedale
Axedale River Reserve (access via William St)

The invasive carp. Photo: Gunther Schmida

Register on the day at one of five hubs and be eligible for prizes for the Best Catch and Biggest Bag.

At each hub:
BBQ lunch provided at 12 noon
Judging 3.30 – 4.00pm

For more details, contact North Central CMA on (03) 5448 7124

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