You could win the hamper but we keep the kiddies. Thank you to those families who have already sent along their donated Christmas goodies for our raffle. A reminder that non-perishable goods can be sent along anytime between now and next Wednesday. Raffle tickets and money can be returned anytime between now and the concert.
Concert 2015

The students are well and truly in preparation mode for our concert; practice is in full swing and we have begun decorating the school in a Christmas theme. A reminder that the concert begins at 7.30pm, however families and community members are invited to join us for a sausage sizzle from 6.30pm. Could we ask all families who are intending on joining us for the BBQ to please return the note attached to last week’s newsletter so we have some idea for catering. Should there be any parents available to come along and assist with the cooking and/or sale of the sausages and drinks, just let Lisa know. Your help would be very much appreciated. Supper will be served at the conclusion of the concert; families are reminded to bring along a plate on the night.

Thanks to Darren and Jacek for taking down the railings to transform the deck into a stage.

School Lawns

Thank you to Bernie and Robert Baldwin for the fantastic job with the school lawns. The next lucky family is Fowler. The lawns will need doing late December or early January. Lisa will send the keys home in the last week of school and organise for them to be given to the next family. The Levings family is rostered on to mow just prior to school returning in late January.

We are most fortunate to have our lovely neighbours from across the road come and water our oval and we have automatic sprinklers on the front lawn area. The garden beds and orchard will require watering over the holiday break. Families able to assist with this task are asked to please fill in and return the form attached to this week’s newsletter. All taps have timers so it is just a matter of popping up to turn them on a couple of times during your rostered week.

Phillip Island

Could all families please ensure that you have signed and returned the medical and permission slips. Next week’s newsletter will have details attached with important camp information.
Water Week Poster Competition

Last Wednesday Rob Krober from Coliban Water came to present our students with certificates for their participation in the Water Week Poster Competition. Matilda, Sharna and James won awards for “Best In Category” and Daria, Oskar, Lucas and Zac achieved Highly Commended awards. Rob Krober noted that for such a small school it is always amazing how many of our students manage to achieve awards. Congratulations to all students for such fantastic posters that were judged to be worthy of prizes and commendation.

Bus Safety

Last week Keith Foote from BusVic visited our school to run a bus safety session with our students. Mr Foote showed the students a powerpoint presentation that covered aspects of bus safety. Merv then showed the students the safety features of our bus. Pamphlets for families are attached to this week’s newsletter. Please take the time to read the information.

End Of Year MACC News

It’s that time of year, again, when we wish the Grade 6 students all the best for secondary school and send home the Art Books. This year’s Grade 6 groups have been excellent to work with. I hope they all enjoy their skateboard decks (for display only). I’ve been very impressed with their creative ideas and hard work.

The Art Books will go home during week 9. They have a green slip attached which will need to be signed by parent/guardian and returned to the school. If your child has a full book, or is not returning to this school, please just return the slip. Otherwise, return the book with the slip still attached as we will use it again in 2016. Once your child has returned the green slip (and book if not full), they will be able to take home their Miró sculpture or skateboard deck.

Art smocks will need a wash and check that they still fit before next year, please. Children will need to bring their smocks back when they return to school in 2016.

Wishing you all a happy and safe Christmas season and holiday period.

Sally Bentley (MACC Teacher).

COMING SOON

Thursday 3 December ............................................................... Report Writing Day
Thursday 10 December .................. Annual School Concert and Year Six Graduation
Monday 14 December .............................................................. End of Year Reports distributed
Tuesday 15 - Thursday 17 December .................................. Phillip Island Camp
Friday 18 December ............................................................... End of school year; Student Free Day

Thursday 28 January, 2016 ................................................. Students resume for Term 1
Only a dozen days left as Welton kids!

Only 23 more sleeps kiddies!