Hope For High Achievers
Road Trip
Last Tuesday, some intrepid explorers headed off to Mt Hope. We managed to dodge the weather and spend time exploring the area. Students looked at the rock formations and were able to put what they had been reading and learning about into 'real world' terms. Of course the highlight was climbing and getting to the top to take in the fabulous views.

Athletics Day At Gunbower
This Friday is our Athletics Day at Gunbower. Students are to come to school on the bus as normal and will be transported by Ms Duffy and Mrs Flight. They will return to Welton in the afternoon in time to catch the school bus home. There will be no lunch orders on this day and no pie warmer available. Students need to bring their own snacks, drinks and lunch. We are still awaiting the return of some permission forms; please sign and return ASAP as we can not take students without written permission from parents. Should the day be cancelled due to the weather, we will inform parents as soon as we know.

Farm Safety Day
On Tuesday August 16th our school will visit the Farm Safety Day at Rochester. Whilst this is an annual event, we only visit every few years. The day is designed to teach children how to be safe on farms, in the home and in the community. On the day there are many displays, information sessions and hands-on activities. Students will receive a free sausage sizzle lunch and a drink. Students will need snacks and a drink. A permission slip is attached to this week's newsletter. Transport to Rochester will be via the every reliable Mrs Flight and Ms Duffy. Students will arrive and depart from Welton as per usual on our school bus.

Pioneering Campers
Next Wednesday our Year Four Students head to Swan Hill Pioneer Settlement for an overnight camp. They will be joined by Year Three and Four students from the other Murray Plains Cluster Schools. Mrs Flight will be transporting our students from Gunbower. Parents will need to organise to get their children to Gunbower Primary School by 8.45am on Wednesday. Students will arrive back at Gunbower Primary School on Thursday in time to catch our school bus to home, so there is no need to pick them up. A huge thank you to Sharon Flight for transporting and accompanying our students on the camp. If you have not returned your permission and medical forms yet, please do so ASAP.

School Council
The next school council meeting will be held at 7pm at the school on Tuesday August 16th. Packages will be sent home prior to the meeting.
Angus Returns

Last week ex-student, but always a Welton Kid, Angus Baldwin came for a visit. He spoke to our students about Secondary School life and about what he has been up to over the past few months. We took this as an opportunity to interview him and below are his responses.

What do you like most about St Joseph’s College, Echuca?
I like meeting new people and making friends.

What are your favourite subjects at Secondary School?
I like the Sport and I also like Science.

What do you miss most about Primary School?
I miss Outdoor Education and the 1:1 attention from the teachers.

Why do you barrack for Hawthorn?
Well, I wanted to be a St Kilda fan but Dad wouldn’t let me.

Welton Review

We have been allocated the dates for our Whole School Review. The dates are Wednesday November 9th and Wednesday November 23rd. On this day we will be visited by a Reviewer, Ms Heather Ridge, two challenge partners (Mr Andrew Blake and one other, yet to be confirmed) and our Senior Education Improvement Leader - Mr Paul Hon. Representing our school on these days will be Lisa Duffy, Sharon Flight and Tanya Fleming, (School Council President), as well as the Welton students. We will have a CRT working with our students whilst Lisa and Sharon are involved in the review, however students may be asked to present at various stages of the second day. Should other parents like to join us on either of the days, you are welcome, however you need to let Lisa know before the end of this term so your name can be submitted to the list of panel members. Reviews of schools take place every four years. This year is the first year of the new format for school reviews and it is envisioned that such a review will be more robust and better inform school communities of their progress, achievements and future direction. Should you have any questions about the review please contact Lisa.

School Photographs

These were taken today. Your orders will be processed and photographs forwarded as soon as we have them.

Guess Who’s Coming To Dinner

As a supportive member of our School Community you are invited to a dinner at the Torrumbarry Hotel on Tuesday 9 August at 6 pm. You must contact Tanya Fleming on 0409 229 780 to reserve your place and glean further details.
MARC News

During Term 3 we will be reading the short listed books for this year’s Book Awards. The older students are covering the Picture Fiction category & the younger grades are reading the books from the Early Childhood category. It has been back to nursery rhymes with the younger children as our first story was, “The Cow ‘Tripped over the Moon”, which is based on the well known nursery rhyme of “Hey Diddle, Diddle”. It has been amazing how many children did know these rhymes, some only needed a little prompting. Children have had some fun changing the wording of some of these well known rhymes. The older children have read, “Suri’s Wall” and have created some walls of their own and researched famous walls from around the world. We discovered some very interesting walls, one made from used chewing gum, to the longest wall in the world and one that divided a city until it was pulled down in 1989. Keep reading everyone! Glenda Charlton-White

Individual Learning Plans

Parents will find individual learning plans attached for each of their children.

WANT TO HAVE SOME FUN?

Come Try Scouting

Joeys, age 6 & 7
Tuesdays 4pm – 5pm
Ph. Narelle 0418373870

Cubs age 8 – 10
Thursdays 7pm – 8:30pm

Scouts age 11 – 14
Thursdays 6:45pm – 8:30pm

1st Echuca Scout Group
1st Echuca Scout Hall

DATES TO REMEMBER

School Photographs........................................................................................................... Wednesday 3 August
Athletics Coaching Day @ Gunbower................................................................................... Friday 5 August
Swan Hill Overnighter For Yr 3/4.............................................................. Wednesday 10 & Thursday 11 August
Farm Safety Day @ Rochy ............................................................................................... Tuesday 16 August
Murray Plains Cluster Athletics Sports.............................................................................. Friday 26 August
End of Term 3 ............................................................................................................. Friday 16 September