I’m Back! A message from Lisa

After a four week absence following Keelan’s accident I am back at work this week. Thank you to the staff, students and families for their kind deeds, messages of support and understanding during what was a most stressful and uncertain time. The good news is that Keelan is now recovering from spinal and leg injuries at home. He is expected to make a full recovery over the next twelve to eighteen months following some further surgery and rehabilitation. A huge thank you to Stacey, Bruce and Joy for keeping things humming along and a special thank you to Rachelle who dropped everything at a moment’s notice to not only fill in my teaching role, but the role of principal as well.
**Athletics Sports**

This Friday, August 29, the Annual Murray Plains Cluster Athletics Sports take place. The sports start at 10 am and we ask all students to be at the Cohuna No. 2 oval by 9.45am. Please advise the school if you need assistance with transport for your child/ren. All students are expected to be in attendance and to participate in each event. Students will need to bring their snacks, lunch, plenty to drink and their school hat. Thank you to those parents who have offered to assist with the running of the sports. If you are able to help out for part of the day please fill in the slip, attached to last week’s newsletter, or just let us know by ringing the school.

**Book Week**

How fantastic it was to see so many students (well, actually it was probably their parents) go to so much effort to dress up as a book character for Book Week. Thanks to Christina, Jacek and Scott for making the effort to come along and join in with our reading session, pass the parcel game and pin the hat on Wally activity.

**Orientate Yourself @ ESC**

Those students attending Echuca College next year are invited to attend an orientation morning at the school. The students will be able to take part in a range of activities to assist them to become familiar with the structure, features and curriculum of the school. The day begins at 9.30 am and finishes at 1pm. A free BBQ lunch is provided and students are welcome to make use of the canteen for snacks. The students will be joined by other Year 6 students from district schools who are going to attend Echuca College in 2015. The Year Six students who are not attending Echuca College next year are expected to attend school as normal.

**Footy Tipping**

Donna picked nine, along with eleven others, so she may just hold on to take out the major prize. The Hawks are looking good but beware the interstaters and the dreamers. It has been said that “Richmond are dreamin!” But it has also been said that “He who dares, wins!” The last time the Tigers won eight in a row was 1980. Now who were premiers in 1980? Just sayin’.

**School Council**

Due to Lisa’s absence School Council did not meet for two scheduled meetings. Our next meeting will be held on Monday September 15 (the last Monday of term). Dates for the term four meetings are as follows Monday October 13 (Note: this is week two instead of three), Monday November 17 and a December meeting at a date to be decided upon. Traditionally this has been a dinner meeting.
Interviews

We are offering parents the opportunity to come up and meet with their child/ren's classroom teacher to discuss the academic, social and emotional progress of their child/ren. These sessions will be offered in the last week of term on Monday and Tuesday afternoon/evenings. Time preference sheets will be attached to next week's newsletter.

Farm Visit

Next Wednesday we are all visiting the Sieben's Dairy Farm. This visit coincides with our whole school theme of Farming and Agriculture. Students will arrive at school as normal and we will walk to and from the farm. We will leave just after 9am and expect to return around 11am. Please ensure your child has 'farm suitable footwear'.

Fathers’ Day Stall

On Friday 5 September we will be holding our annual Father’s Day Stall. Once again the Year Six students will be responsible for the set up and running of the stall. We ask each family to donate low cost ‘blokey’ items for the stall. Each student is permitted to bring along $5 to spend on the day. All funds raised will go towards subsidising our whole school camp which is fast approaching.

Friday Footy. Are You In?

This Friday Night, as part of our Energy Breakthrough Fundraising the Year 4-6 students are organising a night where families can come along and watch the footy, enjoy a pie and some drinks and generally socialise with each other. Should you be coming please let us know by tomorrow, Wednesday, as we need to decide if we have enough interested families to proceed.

Wooden You Know

Brooke from Bunnings, ably supported by Joy, showed all of us how to assemble a tool box. Those significant males in each Welton family should not be surprised by at least one Fathers’ Day gift. Thanks Brooke we really enjoyed the activity and appreciate your time, effort and impressive instruction.
Teamwork Is Hardwork

Senior students are beginning to understand that participation in the 2014 RACV Energy Breakthrough costs. It not only costs time and money it costs effort and now is the time for them to pay. Riding around in an engineering masterpiece (Let’s face it; that’s what Marty’s cart is!) might look like fun and it is, but pushing it is a different matter - that is hard work. To put it in the bluntest of terms, the Welton 2014 EB Team is not fit! But they are going to be. Lesson No 1. It’s not about you and your tired legs and bursting lungs; it’s about the team. Keep pushing!
Hello. My name is Megan Fawcett and I am the Secretary of the Moama Cricket Club Junior Committee.

I am writing in the hope that your school will advertise our upcoming Registration Day for interested Milo, U12, U14 & U16 players in your weekly school newsletter. Our Registration Day is on Wednesday 3rd September.

Our Club greatly appreciates local schools’ support in advertising in school newsletters, and we thank you in advance for your assistance this season.

Yours Sincerely,
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