Lots Of Learning At Leitchville

Last Tuesday we all travelled to join the Leitchville students at their school. The junior students took part in a Literacy Session on myths with Mrs Alexander’s class. They had great fun learning about myths, watching a presentation and taking part in a dramatisation of a class created myth. The senior students took part in a technology challenge where they were put into teams and asked to design and build a spaghetti tower that would hold a marshmallow. Sounds easy but experience tells us that it was not!
Both groups took part in a cricket skills competition with an instructor from Milo Cricket. In the afternoon the senior students participated in an Aboriginal Arts program where they learnt about Aboriginal tradition and craft. Each student was able to make an Australian Animal using the techniques shown. The junior class were treated to a story and song session with a visiting librarian. Thank you to the Leitchville staff and students for making us feel so welcome and planning such an interesting and fun-filled day.

**Welton’s Turn**

Tomorrow we are hosting staff and students from Leitchville, Gunbower and Koondrook Primary Schools. All students will take part in a science session run by Questacon and an Outdoor Education skills session which has been organised by Mr Taylor. Staff from all schools have organised some additional afternoon activities and learning opportunities for the students. All students will be treated to a delicious lunch of tacos, juice and an ice-cream. Thank you to Bernie and Nicola who have offered to assist with the setting up and serving of the lunch. Also a huge thank you to Tracy, Bernie, Nicola, Narelle and Marg, together with Stacey and Lisa, for cooking the mince at home. All funds raised by holding this lunch will go towards the Year 4,5,6 Energy Breakthrough.

**Awesome Angus**

Congratulations to Angus Baldwin, who yesterday travelled to Melbourne to compete in the State Athletics Trials. Angus represented North Central Victoria in the shot put event. This is an amazing achievement and although Angus did not place in the event, he should be very proud of his efforts at winning though three separate regional trials to gain an entry into the state event.

**Halloween Fun Friday**

A reminder that this Friday is our inaugural Halloween Dress Up Day. All students and staff are encouraged to come dressed up for the day. Costumes do not have to be scary, but they do have to be fun! There are plenty of Halloween themed activities planned that are designed to give our students an understanding of Halloween traditions and origins. Students will be making their own Halloween themed morning tea but will need to bring along their own lunch—worm sandwiches and cockroach cupcakes would be most appropriate. Don’t forget that Leitchville Primary School are hosting a Halloween Disco on Friday night so if Friday’s festivities leave your children wanting more, why don’t you venture up the road and head along.

**Learning Plans**

Attached to this week’s newsletter are the Term 4 learning plans for Years P-3. Year 4-6 plans have already been distributed. Most families will be familiar with the goals as they were discussed during our end of Term 3 interviews. There is no need to sign and return the plans but it is important that you read them carefully. Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school.
Cup Day Holiday

Don’t forget that Tuesday November 4th is Melbourne Cup Day and there is no school on this day. Traditionally we have held a dress up day on the Monday prior but as we are dressing up on the Friday for Halloween we have decided to give families a break and not hold a dress up day on the Monday. However along with the traditional sweep, we would like to have a shared lunch on this day, so if each family could send along a lunch plate to share on the day, that would be great. A simple plate of sandwiches, a fruit platter or some dip and biscuits is all that is required. Left overs from the Halloween morning tea would not be appropriate but hey, if you want to send along chicken salads, quiches, seafood platters or a killer dessert, we will not knock them back!

Breakthrough BBQ At Bunnings

Families of Year 4,5,6 students will find a roster for Sunday’s big fundraiser attached to this newsletter. Thank you to those students and families who have offered to assist on the day. Please be aware that younger students will not be permitted in the service area and that no students will be permitted to use the gas BBQ. These are Bunnings rules, not ours.

Thanks Woodies

The Woodgate family has once again impressed us with the amazing job they have done with the school lawns. All students were suitably impressed by the efforts of the Woodgate children at ‘prettying up’ the mudbrick house– the paper flowers are a lovely spring touch. We hope they don’t send us a bill! The next rostered family is Fairservice and the lawns will need attention on or around the weekend of 15/16 November.

School Council

A reminder to Councilors that our next meeting is Monday November 10th at 7pm. Please note that this is one week earlier than usual due to the Energy Breakthrough taking place the following week. Don’t worry Darren we will send further reminders to ensure you join us this time.

School Concert

Our annual Christmas concert will be held on December 12th at the Torrumbarry Hall. It begins at 7pm. Families will receive a personalised invitation and information in November.
LEITCHVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL ARE HAVING
A VERY SPOOKY
HALLOWEEN DISCO

SPooky DATE: FRIDay, OCTOBER 31ST
SPooky TIME: 7-9 PM
SPooky VENue: LEITCHVILLE MEMORIAL HALL

NOT SO SPOOKY
COST • $4.00

LollIES, Drinks AND CHIPS FOR
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Happy Halloween

Turning Back The Years
Ellas Wales and Tom Colvin participate in the 2002 RACV Energy Breakthrough at Maryborough. What will 2014 bring?

Dates To Remember

Wednesday 29 October
Murray Plains Cluster Day

Sunday 2 November
Bunnings Sausage Sizzle for EB

Tuesday 4 November
Cup Day Holiday

Thurs 20 - Sat 22 November
Energy Breakthrough

Friday 12 December
Annual School Concert

Friday 19 December
End School Year