Tickled Pink!

Years 3-6 Attend Open Water Program

Yesterday our Year 3-6 students travelled into Moama to participate in the annual Open Water Program ran by Life Saving Victoria. Students took part in five different activities based around the premise of staying safe in and around water (in particular the river). Our students all learned a great deal from participating in such an event. As you can see they all look a picture in hot pink!
Swimming @ Leitchville

Our Whole School Swimming Program continues tomorrow at the Leitchville Pool. Next week is our last full week of swimming. Students who have been swimming lengths are to bring along a long sleeved shirt and pants (not jeans) or pyjamas to next Thursdays swimming lessons to practise survival and rescue skills. A reminder that all students should have a rash vest or similar to swim in as the pool is not undercover.

Swimming Sports

This event is only a week and a half away. The sports are held at the Koondrook Swimming Pool and commence at 10am, they usually run until 2pm. Families are asked to transport their own students to the sports as we do not run the bus on this day. If you are unable to do this or make arrangements with another family, please let Lisa know ASAP and we can arrange transport. Similarly if you are able to offer a ride to/from the sports, please contact the school. Students can bring their lunch, snacks and drinks. There is a canteen at the pool, however it has limited lunch items.

Who’s In?

Our annual Family BBQ and get together is on next Monday. If you have not done so already, please return the slip attached to last week’s newsletter so we know how many to cater for. We would love to see all families attend and take the time to look at the learning activities your child/ren have been involved in, find out about the curriculum and have an informal catch up with the Staff of Welton PS.

Musical Theatre

We are most fortunate to have been invited to attend an Arts Council Performance ran in conjunction with the Cohuna Library and Gannawarra Shire. The performance is a musical theatre piece entitled Bully Bull Ring and it aims to entertain primary aged students as well as educate them about the anti-bullying message. This event will take place at the Cohuna Memorial Hall on Thursday March 6th commencing at 10am. Students will travel by bus and we will pick up the Leitchville students on the way. A permission slip is attached to this week’s newsletter. The cost of this excursion is $3 per child.

School Council

This Monday is our first School Council Meeting for the year. Usually at this time we call for nominations from parents who are interested in being a part of the WPS School Council. However, due to all of our current members only being in the first year of their two year cycle- no one is up for election. Fear not, if you would like to attend meetings as an interested observer you are most welcome to come along to any meeting. If you would like to become a member of School Council and work alongside a fantastic bunch of people who help with the running of our school, fundraising and advocating for our students and school- you can become a community member on our team. We would love to have you. Monday’s meeting will commence at the conclusion of the Family BBQ (about 7.30pm).
**Parent/Teacher Chats**

Dates for these discussions are Monday March 23rd and Tuesday March 24th. All students by then will have their own individualised learning plan and be well on the way to working towards achieving goals in specific areas of Literacy, Numeracy and Study Skills. Slips for parents to select suitable times will be sent home in the coming weeks. Of course you do not have to wait until these days/times to have a discussion about your child/ren’s learning and development. Staff are available to talk to parents via phone or in person. Just drop us a line and we can make a mutually suitable time.

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**Stay Cool !**

At Welton, we know how to stay cool in the heat. Last Friday, when the temperature climbed above 40 degrees- we had some very hot and frazzled students. Not to mention, tired; as it was the first full week back at school.

These factors led us to only one conclusion.... we must cool down. What better way than to have our wonderful Year Six Students set up the Slip’n’Slide at the end of lunch time? As you can see from the photos below- lots of fun was had!
**Dates To Remember**

**Thursday 12 February**
Swimming @ Leitchville 1.15-3.15pm

**Monday 16 February**
Swimming @ Leitchville 1.15-3.15 pm
Family BBQ at school 6-7.30 pm
School Council 7.30pm

**Tuesday 17 February**
Swimming @ Leitchville 1.15-3.15 pm

**Thursday 19 February**
Swimming @ Leitchville 1.15-3.15pm

**Monday 23 February**
Swimming @ Leitchville 1.15-3.15 pm

**Tuesday 24 February**
Cluster Swimming Sports 10am start
@ Koondrook

**Thursday 5th March**
Arts Council Performance 10 - 11am
@ Cohuna

**Friday 13 March**
Young Leaders Conference 9.15- 2.30pm
in Melbourne. Yr 5 & 6

**Friday 27 March**
Easter Hat Parade and Family Fun- 11am
End of Term 1.

**Monday April 13th**
Term 2 Commences

**FUTURE SPECIAL EVENT**
Wednesday 3 June
Lion King Performance at Regent Theatre
Whole School