

### SCHOOL BANKING NEWS TERM 2

The following banking students are now eligible to order rewards.

**VIVIAN VINEY, LEIGH GERICKE, ARCHITA POKHREL, MAXENE VELASCO NICHOLAS SAVY & JOSEPH RUSSELL**

Rewards currently available include **ET DVD, Intergalactic Rocket, Invisible Ink Pen, or the Planet Handball.**

To order just fill in your reward slip (available from the office if you don't have one at home) and place in your bank book next time you deposit with school banking.

If you are unsure of how to order your reward, I will be available during Recess on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May to answer any questions.

Don't forget every **FRIDAY** is **School Banking Day** and those students who make 25 or more deposits this year will go into the draw to win a Trip to Disneyland. Happy Saving!



Dee Ivic,  
School Banking Coordinator

### Somers Camp 2015.

**FINAL reminder to all those students attending Somers Camp. All forms and money must be received by tomorrow Friday May 1st, 2015 to secure their place.**



Gilda Nicol, Somers Camp Coordinator



Information Evening for prospective 2016 Year 7 parents and students  
Monday 4th May, 2015 6 – 7pm  
Performing Arts Centre  
Felltimber Campus  
Tours available at both Huon and Felltimber campuses 4.30 – 5.30pm

For more information contact Marg Leddin or Will Pleydon –Assistant Principals ph 60579000 or visit [www.wmyc.vic.edu.au](http://www.wmyc.vic.edu.au)

### NEPAL National Flag



National flag

The blue border symbolizes the peace and harmony. The crimson red is Nepal's national colour, and it indicates the brave spirits of the Nepalese people. The two triangles symbolize the Himalaya Mountains and could also represent the two major religions, Hinduism and Buddhism. The red triangular flag has been a Hindu symbol of victory since the time of Ramayana and Mahabharata. The depiction of celestial bodies represents permanence, the hope that Nepal will last as long as the sun and the moon. The moon symbolizes that the Nepalese are soothing and calm, while the sun symbolizes fierce resolve. The moon also symbolizes the shades and the cool weather of the Himalayas, whereas the sun symbolizes the heat and the high temperature at the lower part (Tarai) of Nepal. Another interpretation: The flag's shape could also symbolize a Nepalese pagoda - as noted by local Nepalese, placing a mirror at the side of the flag closest to the flagpole will generate an image of a pagoda.

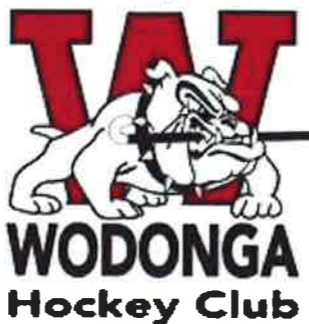
### Community News

COME & CHEER ON OUR U9'S, JUNIORS & DIV 3 TEAMS ON SATURDAY!



LOTS OF FUN FOR THE KIDS FACEPAINTING & JUMPING CAST

COME & JOIN US FOR CLUB DAY 2015 !! 2ND & 3RD MAY SILVA DR WODONGA



GREAT FOOD ON THE BBQ SLUSHIES & POPCORN!



SUNDAY WE HAVE DIV 2 & DIV 1 TEAMS

PICNIC ON THE GRASS FOR OUR LIFE MEMBERS & OUR WONDERFUL SPONSORS!



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Thursday 30th April 2015 Term 2 Issue No. 2

ASSEMBLY Monday 11th May LC3 0/1 Beasley Held in The Gym 9am Start

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- Friday 1st May Cross Country Carnival - Rooms 5-29 'Willow Park' Dept 11:15am
- Monday 4th May Swimming Begins for Years - Foundation -2 LC3 Cost \$50
- Thursday 7th May NEPAL Fundraiser - Students to dress in Blue, Red & White



Be Safe

Be Respectful

Be A Learner

### Principal's Report



#### ANZAC DAY PARADE

Last Saturday was ANZAC Day – and the centenary of the landing in Gallipoli. I would like to express how proud I was to march in the ANZAC Day parade held in Wodonga with my WWPS students, staff and parents. I was overwhelmed by the number of families who supported this event, with almost 50 students representing the school. Many of our students were proudly wearing medals that past and present family members had been awarded for their service to our country. Our students did a fabulous job, and managed to carry our enormous Australian flag and school banner. Every student also carried or wore a sprig of rosemary from our school garden – a plant that signifies remembrance. Although the rain was annoying and we did get soaked, we all 'soldiered on' without any complaining. A huge thank you to parents / caregivers for having them assembled on time, and for your encouragement during the parade. Our School Captains, Rylee Butters and Christian Walsh, respectfully laid a beautiful wreath on behalf of the school community. It was a terrific morning and everyone absolutely did our school proud. THANK YOU EVERYONE! Those students who paraded with us will receive a beautiful certificate at our next school assembly. ( See Photos next page )

#### NAPLAN Testing

Last week's Linkletter contained the details about NAPLAN Testing for students who are in Years 3 and 5. These literacy and numeracy tests will happen on the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> May. All testing is completed under very strict guidelines and within certain time constraints. If for any reason you do not wish for your child to participate in NAPLAN testing, you must put this in writing and inform myself or Sharon Mawby before the NAPLAN testing dates.

#### EDUCATION WEEK

This year we will be celebrating Education Week across Victoria during the week May 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>. During this week we will be planning a range of activities, such as our annual Junior Masterchef competition. We will also be conducting tours for prospective families and students who will be enrolling in Foundation in 2016. If you are aware of any families who have children beginning school in 2016, please let them know that they are very welcome to contact us and make a time to visit and have a comprehensive school tour of our facilities and wonderful programs on offer. We also encourage existing families who have children beginning next year to come along during this week. More detailed information about our Education Week activities will be forthcoming. We are hoping that our school community will take some time out to engage with the school and see first - hand the wonderful things we provide and do with the students at Wodonga West to support their learning.

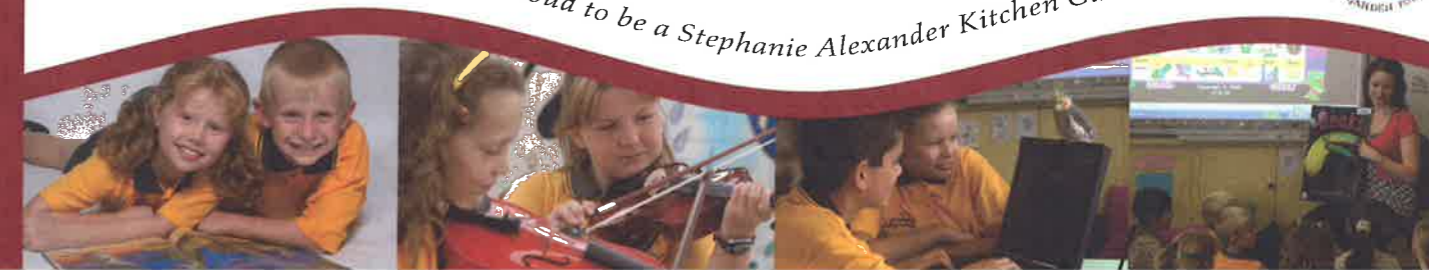
#### FUNDRAISER for NEPAL DISASTER

Next week on THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup> May, all the Wodonga Government Primary and Secondary Schools will be holding a combined fundraiser to support the major earthquake disaster in Nepal, as we have a significant Nepalese community in Wodonga. No doubt you will have seen some of the scenes on TV, with the loss of life and the devastation evident. The fundraiser will consist of a day where we ask students to wear clothing to school that are representative of the colours of the Nepalese flag – **blue, red, and white**. A gold coin donation ( more if you wish ) is required to participate. The money every school raises will be pooled together and the students and staff at Wodonga Senior Secondary School will organise for it to go to the appeal.

Regards, *Jocelyn Owen*



Proud to be a Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden school



## ANZAC Day March

On a very wet and overcast Anzac Day, Wodonga West Primary staff, students and the school community, marched behind the returned soldiers. I was proud of the students who attended despite the inclement weather. We had about 50 children and staff and parents, and it was a good representation of our school. Some students wore their family medals.

Rylee Butters and Christian Walsh our School Captains, laid a wreath on behalf of our school community. They were aware of the reverence of the occasion and were excellent ambassadors for our school.



*I would like to thank all the parents/carers who brought their children to the March, it was fantastic to see so many on such a damp day.*



**Liz Haynes**  
Defence School  
Transition Aide

## Sport Levy Due:

Years 2- 4 Room 5 & 6 Cost \$5 per student.  
Years 4, 5 and 6 MYOS Cost \$25 per student

## Canteen News

### Volunteers May

Wed 6th May Kate Lewis  
Thurs 7th May Vanessa Dalliston  
Fri 8th May Teresa Booth / Sonya Stern

### Grade 6 Assistants

6-8th May - Counter Service : Teresa Marcuzzi  
6th May - Stock Control : Shelby Brown

Susan Edwards,  
Canteen Manager



## School Dental Services

**Albury Wodonga  
Public Health Dental Clinic:**  
155 High Street Wodonga.  
Lower Floor  
Phone 02 60517925



## WODONGA WEST CROSS COUNTRY

A reminder that tomorrow :-  
**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May**, Wodonga West Primary School's Cross Country will be held at Willow Park.



All students in rooms 5 - 29 have been training and will participate in a 2km (9/10 years) or 3km (11/12 years) distance.

**Permission notes have been given out and needed to be returned a.s.a.p. in order to participate on the day.**

**As all staff in Rooms 5 - 29 and Admin staff will be involved in supervising this event, it is an expectation that ALL students participate.**

**SPORTING TRIASLS - CONGRATULATIONS** to the following students for making it to the next level in their field.

- Josh Ivic (Basketball)
- Steven Fidele & Leopold Fidele (Soccer)
- Kobe Vilasairn
- Ashton Saddington
- Giann Beard
- Rylee Butters (Netball)

**Susan Macdonald P.E. Coordinator**

## Wodonga West Whole School Anzac Day Service Held on Friday 24th April



Our Guest Speaker was Sgt Adrian Cocker From the Armed Forces in Wodonga. The Service was attended by students, parents and the school community.

## Stories by Room 27 Students

Why is Anzac Day special to me? It's special to me because my Great, Great Grandpa fought for us and Australia. I never met him but I think he was a very special.

**Will Deery**

Our School Honour Roll. We have a school Honour Roll in the office. This has the peoples' name who went to our school and then went off to World War 1. The people that have a tiny cross before their name means that they died during World War 1. There was also one nurse that went to the war that was at our school. We got the Honour roll from the Wodonga RSL because they found it somewhere and kindly gave it to us.



**Josh Ivic**

Our guest speaker Erin Macdonald came a few weeks ago and told us about when she went to the Western front in France and the graves of soldiers that died in the war. Erin came and told us because she wanted us to know what she had learned about the war. It made me sad and happy at the same time.

**Jayda Wood**

At our school office we have an Honour Roll. The reason why we have it is because the soldiers that are on the roll went to Wodonga West Primary . The cross on the Honour roll means 'Fallen' and 'Fallen' means they died in the war. Their names were printed on a big piece of wood.

**Zoe Burkitt**

Why is Anzac Day special to you and your family and your country? Anzac Day is special because people fought and died in the war to make our country safe and they made the Ultimate sacrifice.

**Matthew Graham**

## Student Wellbeing Report



### Compass Award



Well done to Jenna Barton who this week received her certificate and award badge for having completed Level 1 of the Compass program.  
**Congratulations Jenna**

### 100% Attendance Club Term 1

Almost 40 students received an extra 30 minutes play time yesterday as reward for having 100% attendance. This means they were at school every day with no late starts or early departure.  
*Well done to those students.*



**Melissa Potter**  
Student Wellbeing Officer

## JUNIOR SWIMMING



All students in LC3 will participate in a daily swimming session for one week beginning on **Monday 4th May - Swimming Times**

**12:15 - 12:55pm 1/2B: Mrs Gonzalez**  
**12:55 - 1:35pm F/1C: Miss Chenoweth**  
**1:35 - 2:15pm F/1B : Miss Beasley**  
**(Buses depart 20 minutes prior to each session)**

**The cost of this program is \$50** and will need to be paid along with the permission note, which went out last week. We would love to hear from parents who could assist with changing

Susan Macdonald  
P.E. Coordinator.