



WHARMINDA PRIMARY SCHOOL

‘It takes a community to educate a child’

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Term 1

Week 6

FAMILY NAME

2008

DIARY DATES

MARCH

Fri 7th

Beach Sports Day
Port Neill Foreshore

Mon 10th

Adelaide Cup Day
Public Holiday

Fri 21st

Good Friday

Mon 24th

Easter Monday

Thu 27th

Science Visit @ Karkoo

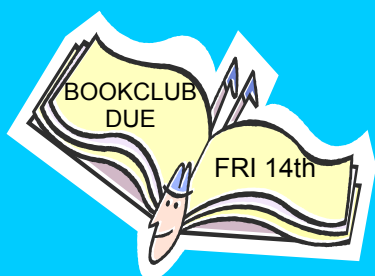
OTHER NOTES/INFO

Beach Sports Day

Please ensure you have your children there at 9.30am.

Don't forget to Slip, Slop, Slap.

It is an expectation that your children wear their team colours.



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Hello Everyone,

I'm sure you are as shocked at how fast we are speeding through the term as we are. We have been keeping extremely busy with the current 'Around the World' topics and other events and projects at Wharminda. In our 'Around the World' topics we are choosing to focus on the culture and the people that make up the big wide world that we live in. It is not a topic that looks at naming capital cities or geographical coordinates but more an awareness of other people and how they live and go about their everyday lives. With me the Upper Primary students are beginning to film their Wharminda Documentary for the students in South Africa and the Junior Primary students are writing letters for our sponsor student in Mexico. Lou has been working with the Juniors on Fiji and they are making their own travel brochures and Amanda and the Uppers are doing everything Italian. Other work that has been going on at school is the Friday table tennis workshops with Mandy and Paul Nield as well as hammering and building with Amanda to make their catapults.

This week the new and improved Homework Grids are going home. You will see the redefined version doesn't call for much extra to be done. Their general homework can be counted for completion coupled with the other themes listed on the sheet. This grids came about from training that the staff did and have proven popular, practical and beneficial to learning. We ask you as parents to 'give it a go' and sign off on the sheet when you see your children completing a task... you can even join in!

We have all been revving up for this week's Beach Sports Day and the new format looks like it will make for a fun, fun day. Remember to have your children wearing t-shirts in their team colours and it is essential that they come with a hat and full water bottle. I look forward to seeing you all down at the beach in Port Neill. It was great that the small school Principals could come up with a breath of fresh air to add to this day and a big thankyou to Mel Degner for coordinating the day on Friday.

Much to my horror we have been having a number of slithering visitors... and I'm definitely not a snake person... if I could add them to the roll to bump up student numbers it would be different! As this is happening we are sending the students in groups to the toilets and monitoring outside play on hot days. This is a reminder to keep our eyes out during this season.

As mentioned in the last newsletter we are in the throws of organising our next school surprise and I urge you not to give too much away to the students should you find out what is happening.

Cheers

Matthew McCurry
Principal

Happy Birthday

March



15th Abby Nield
25th Sidney Masters

LandCare AGM



Port Neill School

Wednesday 19th March 7:30 pm

Apologies - Chris Prime
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TEAMS

Yellow - Hincks
Blue - Hambidge
Red - Shannon

BEACH SPORTS DAY - FRIDAY 7TH MARCH PORT NEILL FORESHORE

ARRIVAL TIME 9.30-9.45am for a 10.00am START

BYO Lunch

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READING AWARD

Congratulations to Amy Nield and Mikaela Jones who have completed **25 nights** of reading.

Amy and Mikaela received a book prize for their efforts.

Reception to Year 4 students receive a book prize when they reach 25, 50, 75, 100, 125, 150 and 200 nights reading.



The Upper Primary Class are constructing boats. If you have cork, plastic containers or anything to make some fantastic boats please send them into school. It would be much appreciated.