Passions 2010 began superbly with our groupings all finalised and children have started their projects and activities with enthusiasm. The program will run on Wednesday afternoons from 2:00 – 3:30 (or 1:30 – 3:30 for some groups who need some extra time). The next session will be Wednesday 25th August after the Year 5 & 6 Camp.
CURRICULUM DAY- ULTRANET
As you would have noted in the media the Ultranet was not available until the afternoon on our Curriculum Day on Monday but staff were involved in Plan B and informed on details of how the Ultranet will work. Fortunately there was some time in the afternoon when Ultranet went live and staff members present were able to see the site for real. Thanks to Mr Gallaher for running the day at school and for his thorough preparation.

BIG DAY OUT- CONNECTIONS 2010- ULTRANET LAUNCH
I attended the Education Department’s “Big Day Out- Connections 2010” on Monday with the official launch of the Ultranet. Over 3,000 principals and assistant principals were treated to some great presentations from international speakers including Richard Elmore (USA), Sugata Mitra (India) and Yong Zhao (China- USA). We were provided with information on the current process of development in the Victorian Education System and the continuing agenda.

YEARS 5 & 6 BEECHWORTH CAMP
The Year 5 & 6 Campers leave for the Beechworth Camp on Monday. The bus will be departing at 8.45 sharp. Final payments should have been organised to guarantee participation. Student/Parent Behaviour Agreement forms need to be completed and returned by today. I hope they all have a terrific camp, enjoy all the wonderful experiences and gain a firsthand understanding of Early Australia.

4/5G- DURING CAMP
All Year 4 children in 4/5G along with those not attending camp will have a different classroom program during the camp week. Whilst Mr Gallaher is at the Year 5 & 6 Camp I will be taking his grade for most of the week, with assistance from other staff and Mrs A with a couple of different activities organised- including an excursion on Monday 16th August. All Year 4 children and non-campers are required to attend school as normal.

PRE SCHOOL TRANSITION PROGRAM- COMPUTERS AND INTERACTIVE WHITEBOARD
The Classroom session scheduled for Wednesday 4th August was postponed and held on Wednesday this week. Thanks to Miss Drew for organising the activities and Mrs Rowles and 6R children for their assistance. The preschoolers enjoyed their involvement and had a great time.

MRS SLAVNIC’S INJURY
We were sorry to hear of Mrs Slavnic’s injury which snapped her Achilles tendon last week. She has been operated on this week and all appears to have gone well. She will be returning on crutches so we will have to take special care and attention with her over the coming 6 weeks. Hoping for a speedy recovery.

VICTORIAN OPERA & ANAM MUSIC EXCURSION- 2/3N & 4G- MONDAY 16th AUGUST
Notice for this excursion must be returned by today- there are no costs involved. Please ask for a copy of the notice from the office if your child or you have misplaced the form. As part of the Vic Opera & Australian Academy of Music program we will be participating in the free excursion to view a rehearsal at Horti Hall in the city to view a musical rehearsal. Departure time will be 11:30 for performance from 1:00 until 2:00 and then return to the school for normal dismissal. The event will be held on Monday 16th August.

EMAILING OF PARENT STATEMENTS
We will be able to email statements to parents rather than send them home with children if parents so desire. To have this facility operate parents will need to provide a separate form indicating permission. These forms will be distributed next week.

REMINDERS
WORKING BEE
The next Working Bee will be held on Sunday 15th August from 9:30am. We will have a substantial amount of playground mulch cover to spread so please bring any spades to assist. It is most important that we support safety in the play equipment areas. Other jobs were outlined in the notice sent home during the week- including preparations for our new garden shed.

ELECTION DAY STALL- SATURDAY 21ST AUGUST
Please assist us on the Election Day Stall for Saturday 21st August from 9:30am. An hour or two of your time to help with the Sausage Sizzle & Cake Stall will be much appreciated. We aim to make this our second biggest fundraiser for the year. This fundraising is essential in supporting purchases of curriculum equipment for our children. We will also be requesting contributions to the Cake Stall.

BEFORE SCHOOL CARE- EARLY START AVAILABLE
Please be reminded that Before School Care is available from 7:30 am to 8:45 am (and by appointment with Sam from 7:00 am)

UPCOMING EVENTS
MELBOURNE SCHOOLS BAND FESTIVAL- ROBERT BLACKWOOD HALL
I am proud to announce that some of our students will be participating in this event over the weekend. Kyle S will be in the Hills Concert Band on Saturday and Caitlin S & Luke M will participate in the Hills Adventurer Band on Sunday. Best wishes for a terrific performance and hope you all enjoy the participation.

HOUSE ATHLETICS SPORTS
We are still anticipating holding our House Athletics Sports on Monday 30th August- weather permitting. Any parents who are available to assist are welcome to contact me before that date.

UNIVERSITY OF NSW TESTING
The Mathematics Competition scheduled to be held on Tuesday 17th August was re-scheduled and held today to ensure participation of the Year 5 & 6 children who will be at camp on the scheduled date. This is the final competition in the Educational Assessment Australia program run by the University of NSW.

A SHOPPING THOUGHT
When you have seen one shopping centre you have seen a mall.
UPWEY CUB SCOUTS

2010 Federal Election
Saturday 21st August

Our school has been chosen as a location for polling. Our P.A Fundraising Committee will be holding a Sausage Sizzle and Make ‘n Bake Stall. Notices have been sent out during the week asking for volunteers for our BBQ roster.

Volunteer chefs & bakers are required to make wonderful tasty delights to sell to the community. All money raised goes to our school, so please join us for a fun filled actioned packed day at the polls!

School Captains, House Captains and Junior School Representatives.

Our group photos are available for purchase through School Pix for $20 each. If you do not have a payment envelope, please pick one up at the office. Orders are due in ASAP.

We have only received 1 order so far!

Here are some pictures of Josh and Caitlin from Cub Scouts this week where they had a visit from Snakebusters. The Upwey Cub Scouts hosted a hands on reptile night and invited Cub packs from Belgrave South, Kallista, Monbulk, Ferny Creek and Cockatoo, in all there were over 100 children at the Upwey Hall who were able to handle snakes, frogs, lizards and baby crocodiles. A fun night was had by all.

www.upweyscouts.asn.au
Dear parents, if you would like to receive our newsletter link via email please either contact the office or send us an email.

To our students & Staff
13th Aug– 20th Aug

Renee Rhiannon Cooper

Dinosaur Fossils
2/3N Cookie Dig

Digging for fossils- Palaeontologists have to work very long and hard to dig out fossils. They have to be very careful and patient or the fossils will break. When dinosaur fossils are found in rock, the whole rock is usually carried to a museum, where scientists can work on it using special tools.

This week in 2/3N the students were mini Palaeontologists. Each student had a choc chip cookie. The cookie was the ‘rock’ and the choc chips were the ‘bones’. Using a toothpick, the students had to very carefully chip away at the ‘rock’ in order to take the ‘bones’ out without breaking them!

Before & After School Care

Hello Again.

There is a lot on in BASC this week!
MONDAY - SOCK PUPPETS
TUESDAY - MAKING PUPPET SHOW STAGE
WEDNESDAY - MAKING OUR OWN SUPER BALLS
THURSDAY - MAKE YOUR OWN FASHION (DRESS UPS AND FASHION SHOW)
FRIDAY - COOKING CUPCAKES, THEN A MOVIE AND POPCORN

I hope that you all enjoy your weekend. And for those going on camp next week, have a great time!

Sam :)

Colour newsletter via email

Dear parents, if you would like to receive our newsletter link via email please either contact the office or send us an email.
**Women's Health Mini Expo**

**Ferntree Gully Community Arts Centre**

**Date:** Saturday 28th August 2010

**Time:** 10am—5pm

**110 Burwood Hwy, Ferntree Gully**

Come & join us for a day of nurturing, self empowerment, fun and learning.

Meet the specialists in women's health.

Entrance fee: $5.00 (door prizes)

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Marianne Nicholas 0438835729

Upper Ferntree Gully, VIC

listenmovelearn@gmail.com

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**Active Feet Kid’s Duathlon**

A fun non-competitive junior event (5-15yo) with distances catering for all abilities

**Date:** Sunday 29th August

**Where:** Menzies Baywater North

**Time:** 1pm (Race 12:30pm)

**Cost:** $15 payable on day, all pre-entered.

**Moss info:** [www.triathlonskids.com.au](http://www.triathlonskids.com.au) or Brigid 0407 350 502

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**CROYDON MODEL RAILWAY CLUB**

**MODEL TRAIN EXHIBITION**

11-12th SEPTEMBER 2010:

Lilydale High School

Melba Ave. Lilydale.

**Saturday 11th 10am – 5pm Sunday 12th 10am-4pm**

**LARGE VARIETY OF MODEL TRAIN LAYOUTS**

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Don’t forget: Beechworth Camp bus departs at: 8.45
Colour in this picture and return to the Asthma Foundation of Victoria by 7th September 2010 for your chance to win a $30 Borders voucher!!!
*Applications for children 10 years and under only

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Return to: The Asthma Foundation of Victoria, 491-495 King St, West Melbourne VIC 3003
Choc chip beetles recipe

These gorgeous choc chip beetles are just perfect for your next child’s birthday party. Easy to make, they use round-based cupcakes as their base.

Ingredients:
125 g butter, softened
3/4 cup (165g) caster sugar
1 egg
1/2 tsp vanilla essence
1 1/2 cups (225g) self raising flour
3/4 cup (190mL) milk

Icing:
3 cups (480g) icing sugar, sifted
1/2 tbsp butter, melted
1/4 cup (60mL) hot water
red food colouring

Decoration:
1 cup (150g) NESTLÉ Dark Melts, melted
1/2 cup (95g) NESTLÉ White CHOC BITS silver cachous, for decoration

Serving Size:
24

Method:
Preheat oven to 180°C/160°C fan forced. Grease two 12-hole round-based shallow patty pans.

Using an electric mixer, beat butter and sugar until light and fluffy; add egg and vanilla, beat until just combined. Add flour and milk, beat until smooth.

Divide mixture among prepared pans; bake 12-14 minutes until golden; turn out onto wire rack to cool.

To make icing: combine sugar, butter, water and a few drops of food colouring; stir until smooth. Spread icing over the rounded side of each cake. Spoon NESTLÉ Dark Melts into a piping bag or freezer bag with the corner snipped; decorate cakes as pictured. Use NESTLÉ White CHOC BITS to create spots on the beetle and use silver cachous for the eyes. Allow to set before serving.