PRINCIPAL’S REPORT 29.11.2013
I am sure all the children are looking forward to the Disco this evening. Thanks to the PA for organising this extracurricular activity and I hope the children enjoy the evening with DJ Tennyson.

THIS WEEK AT UPWEY PRIMARY SCHOOL
“COOL TO GO TO SCHOOL” — PRE SCHOOL TRANSITION PROGRAM
Prep children enrolled in 2014 attended the final session of the “Cool to Go to School” program today. This Prep orientation session concentrated on a lesson with PMP. Thank again Miss Croft for all your work with this program during Term 4. I have full confidence that the 2014 Preps are well prepared for the beginning of school.

BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE – Only One Week Away (Saturday 7th December)
The PA/Fundraising have organised the annual Bunnings Sausage Sizzle on Saturday 7th December from about 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. This is a great opportunity to fundraise outside our regular community but to be successful we need a few more volunteers to assist with selling and cooking during the day. This is the last chance to volunteer an hour or two of your time and sign up to assist this most important fundraising event. Thanks again to those who have already volunteered.
P1C Sandy
For bringing in a power point presentation for his show and tell about sharks.

P1C Charli
For asking interesting and relevant questions of the speaker during show and tell.

P1C P.E. Award Zach
For great effort in hitting and running during the game.

P1C P.E. Award Hunter
For helping others during the lesson and displaying very good fielding skills.

1/2E Emily
For an excellent effort on the spelling test this week, with increasingly difficult words.

1/2E Laura
For an excellent commitment to performing at her personal best for the on-line testing program. She achieved excellent results due to her ability to persevere and read each question.

1/2E Nathan
For a much improved commitment to attentive listening and doing his personal best on class tasks.

3/4G Caitlin
For completing her homework for 30 weeks in a row.

3/4G Hannah
For completing her homework for 30 weeks in a row.

3/4G Holly
For completing her homework for 30 weeks in a row.

3/4G Ryan
For terrific effort in hitting skills.

3/4G Imogen
For completing her homework for 30 weeks in a row.

3/4G Leeson
For completing his homework for 30 weeks in a row.

6R P.E. Award Jasmine
For a strong finishing effort with good hitting skills demonstrated.

6R Rhaine
For excellent thinking for the facts she chose from the article, ‘A Thousand Cuts’ in a reading activity.

1/2E Tribes Award Adam
Congratulations, you have been nominated by a school community member for helping a classmate with a calming strategy.

1/2E Tribes Award Hayden
Congratulations, you have been nominated by a school community member for helping a classmate with a calming strategy.

1/2E Tribes Award Dylan
Congratulations, you have been nominated by a school community member for helping a classmate with a calming strategy.
TWILIGHT WORKING BEE
Thanks to the parents and staff who attended the Twilight Working Bee last Friday. Plenty of work was done on restoring the Amphitheatre to its former glory. Mr G did a great job with the “Chipper” and created some more mulch for the garden. Thanks Anne F, Ben R (& Kids), Michelle My, David My (& Kids), Andrew G (& Kids), Sue M and Mr G for your fine efforts.

“SCHOLASTIC BOOK SALE” SUCCESS
Books were available for sale on Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th this week. Thanks to the PA/Fundraising Committee for organising the event and to the many parents & children who took advantage of the special offer.

STUDENT DISCO – TONIGHT
Don’t forget that tonight is the PA/Fundraising Committee organised Student Disco. This will be held in two sections as usual with Kinder & Prep to Year 2 children invited to attend from 6:00 pm to 7:15 pm and Year 3 – 6 children from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. Please note that Parents, or designated adult, must attend to pick up children from the school hall. Children will not be permitted to leave the hall until the adult has arrived.

STAFFING FOR 2014
I am still in the process of finalising staffing for 2014 and I will let the school community know as soon as everything is finalised.

MOVEMBER
Keep up the effort Mr G. Not long to go now! Only one more day!
Please support Mr Gallaher in his fundraising venture for Men’s Health and the early detection of risks.
Online@mobro.co/BenGallaher

CONGRATULATIONS

UPWEY HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS PRESENTATION
It was heartening to see so many ex-Upwey Primary School students (or siblings of current students) recognised in the recent Awards Presentation held at Burriinja Theatre. Danielle Weisgerber will be one of the School Captains for 2014. Year 11 Academic Excellence Awards were received by Ashleigh Taylor, Bethany Allchin, Elizabeth Mowat, Liam Tom, Maya Evans & Olivia Evans. A Year 10 Academic Excellence Award was received by Ryley Nyari. Year 9 Academic Excellence Awards were received by Josh Allchin, Kyle Staff & Reilly Tadd. Year 8 Academic Excellence Awards were received by Jake Drougos, Jayden Comello & Liam O’Keeffe.

COMING EVENTS

PREP PARENT INFORMATION SESSION – 2014 PREPS
The Prep Information Session has been planned for Monday 2nd December from 4:00 until 5:00 pm. Parents with other siblings will be given the opportunity to have their 2014 Prep child and other siblings participate in the After School Care program for that time without cost. This program is a special event “Teddy Bear’s Picnic”. Children will be encouraged to bring their teddy bear to the event at After School Care on Monday.
Looking forward to providing final important information for parents in preparation for 2014.

ORIENTATION DAY - YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAY
Tuesday 10th December will be the Orientation Day for all Year 6 children to attend the secondary school of their choice in 2014. This will be a whole day program and the respective secondary schools will provide information to students.

CHRISTMAS IN THE HILLS - FAMILY PICNIC & CAROLS EVENING
The annual event will be held on Tuesday 17th December from 6:00 pm on the school oval. We would expect an appearance from Santa Claus at some time. We are also anticipating some organised singing from the Junior School (P/1C & 1/2E) to look forward to. All families are welcome to attend and have a relaxing time with some games and exercise for the children. Carol singing will be the closing feature of the evening at about 7:30 pm.

PARENT HELPERS MORNING TEA
Invitations will be soon distributed to parents who have assisted with school activities for our Special Morning Tea for school helpers/volunteers. This event will be held on Monday 9th December from 11:00 am in the staff room. Please put this date in your diary if you have assisted with any school activity during the year.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION- DINNER & PRESENTATIONS
The Year 6 Graduation Dinner and Presentations will be held on Thursday 19th December at Marybrook beginning at about 6:00 with dinner at 6:30 pm. The formal part of the evening involving parents and family members will be held from about 8:30 pm.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – FIRE DRILL
We will be completing a Fire Drill as part of our Emergency Management Procedures sometime in the next couple of weeks. Class teachers will remind children what is expected. We will be enacting a Shelter In Place drill or an Off Campus Drill. I would appreciate if parents could support the children with an understanding of Fire Plans which are essential at this time of year.
This is a timely opportunity to remind parents that in a real emergency where the Emergency Management Plan is put into action the following are requirements of the plan for children being picked up from school:
• No child may be picked up by a sibling under the age of 18. Siblings attending would be invited to stay in our Shelter In Place (The Art Room)
No child may be picked up by a parent/guardian of another child unless express notification is signed indicating this arrangement (Emergency Contact People are not given automatic permission)
We would stay in the Shelter in Place until Emergency Services (Police) provide further direction.
RESCHEDULED ROUND ROBIN EVENT –
Year 3 to 6 Children
This District Round Robin event will be held next week on Friday 6th December. The sporting activities we will be participating in are Cricket, Rounders (& handball), Lawn Bowls and Ultimate Frisbee (& sofcrrosse). Children have already selected their preferences and will be allocated according to priorities and interest with Year 6 children receiving priority. An information notice and permission form will be distributed in the near future. Most have already paid for the event but a few will need to forward the payment with the permission form. Permission forms need to be handed in by Wednesday 4th December. Those not attending or who have not returned permission forms will be placed in P/1C or 1/2E on Friday.

SCHOOL COUNCIL
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING –
MONDAY 9th DECEMBER
Our Final School Council Meeting will be held on Monday 9th December at 6:30 pm at the Bonsai Bali. We will be having the meeting at 6:30 pm followed by the Break Up Dinner at 7:30 pm. Final staffing and structures will be presented and end of year finances presented.

REMINDERS
ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT (ICT) & CYBER SAFETY POLICY DRAFTS
These were attached to the newsletter last week. The Draft documents were provided for community comment. Thanks to those who have already commented. Any feedback regarding the documents will be appreciated. We will anticipate introducing the final documents at the December School Council meeting for implementation in 2014.

BOOKLIST & VOLUNTARY LEVIES FOR 2014
School Fees for 2014 will be $280 for the first child and $230 for the second child (This includes a $50 B & G levy- refundable on attending a working bee.) The Booklist component of the school fees will be $150.

It is anticipated that information sheets, with a detailed cost breakdown, will be distributed to all families on Monday 16th November.

The minimum payment anticipated will be $150 (booklist section) and will be due during the hours indicated on the booklist information. Payments may alternatively be made before the end of the year or at the beginning of 2014. Direct Deposit will available.

LIBRARY BOOKS
Jenny Mathews is planning to complete a Library Stocktake before the end of term and is requesting all books be returned by Friday 6th December. No new borrowing will occur in that week or after this time. Please get those books back to make the job easier for our volunteer staff.

HEAD LICE CHECKS
More checks will be completed next week. Please remember to support the school in checking daily. Children identified with live lice will have parents contacted for pick up and treatment. There are still a few cases reported so continue to be vigilant. I am continuing to encourage children with long hair to keep it tied back as hair contact is the method by which lice will transfer.

CHRISTMAS CARD GIVING
I am sure that many children will want to organise Christmas Cards for friends/staff at school. I am requesting that this is only done during the last week of school from Monday 16th to Friday 20th December and NOT any earlier.

Please ensure that any Christmas Cards given show respect for recipients.

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I would also recommend the following tips:

- cards are not handed out as a “popularity contest”
- “a “to…” and “from …” without a personal message is not really a heartfelt message, envelopes are to be put into the recycling bin rather than the rubbish bin

CONTINUED FOCUS: RESPECT – ONE OF OUR 7 TRIBES AGREEMENTS
I will continue concentrating on RESPECT during next week. This is one of Our 7 Agreements as part of the Tribes Learning Community approach and is such a vital value to develop in order for positive relationships to be developed. In the grades we will be concentrating on what RESPECT is, looks like, sounds like and feels like. RESPECT involves such things as:

- Using manners
- Being polite
- Speaking politely & being friendly
- Do not use bad language
- Valuing your own contribution
- Respect yourself
- Accepting differences in others
- Help and do not tease others
- Treating others as you like to be treated

Please support the school in stressing this value whenever possible.

SPORT
RESPECT during next week

ACTIVITIES
SUSTAINABILITY –
“CARRY IN, CARRY OUT” Rubbish Free day will continue every Wednesday to support and emphasise our drive to maintain a more sustainable school environment. This will require that everyone (staff and children) in the school will either use only Rubbish Free Play Lunch & Lunch or take home any rubbish on every Wednesday. The aim is to minimise our waste.

The response continues to be extremely good. We want to continue reducing our waste in the coming months.

Tip: Bring food in paper bags that can be re-used

FREE FEED FRIDAY - BREAKFAST
The Soupee’s Breakfast continues each Friday morning. Don’t forget that all children are invited to come and have breakfast in the hall from 8:30 am on Fridays with Gavin, Linda, Chris & Sue providing all the necessary ingredients, and labour, for free!

PLAYGROUP
Playgroup continues every Friday from 9:30 until 11:00 am under the very capable direction of our enthusiastic volunteer, Emma G, with continued assistance from our wonderful Crossing Supervisor, Cheryl. Please book in if you wish to attend during the final weeks of this term.

Malcolm Aspinall
Principal
Hi all,
Here's what's on at BASC next week.
MONDAY- Teddy Bears picnic with some special visitors, next year's preps!
TUESDAY- Sand and Water play
WEDNESDAY- Advent calendars
THURSDAY- Santa magnets
FRIDAY- Games outside (weather permitting) Have a great weekend & see you all Monday.
Sam.

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### BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Happy Birthday
29th Nov - 6th Dec
LILY

### NOTICES SENT HOME

- **DISTRICT SUMMER ROUND ROBIN, NEW PERMISSION FORM, Years 3 – 6**
- **YEAR 6 GRADUATION PERMISSION FORM**
PLAYGROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY
Friday 13th December 9.15 - 10.45
Special visitor coming at 10am
Please bring a plate to share

P.A. NEWS

SCHOOL DISCO – TONIGHT
get your dancing shoes ready to go – Junior Dance (kinder & p – 2) 6.00 – 7.15pm and Senior Dance (3–6) 7.30 – 9.00pm. We still need more helpers for the Senior disco from 7.30–9pm

BOOK FAIR – Buy 1 book get 1 free! Was a great success with plenty of books sold. Thanks to Scholastic books for offering this great promotion.

BUNNINGS – Saturday 7th December – please let us know at the office if you are available to work a shift. We still need people to help with 12-2 and 2-4pm.

MATTEL FACTORY visit – see advertisement in the newsletter – tickets $10 per person and you must attend between 9.00 – 10.30am on Saturday 14th December – apparently it is worth the trip if you want a bargain! The ticket price is donated to the school fundraising effort. Thanks to Kelly W for organising!

Book Club orders due TODAY

BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE
OUR BIG FUNDRAISER FOR THE YEAR
SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER
WE NEED YOUR HELP............
IF YOU CAN SPARE A COUPLE OF HOURS
ON SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER

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PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE OFFICE
Thank You to everyone for volunteering their time.
Would you like to

- Feel more relaxed?
- Reduce your stress?
- Improve your health and well-being?
- Take some time out for yourself?

CALM: a six week introduction to mindfulness living for parents

Monday 21.10, 1.30 - 3.00 OR Wednesday 23.10, 9.30 - 11.00

Location: Upwey  Cost $120

Trainers Michelle Johnson and Lori Chaproniere

Contact Michelle m:0467508496 or e: melts2009@hotmail.com
BELGRAVE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB
REGISTRATION DAY
MONDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2013
6.30pm - 8.00pm (free curry and drink)
Meet the coaches and make new friends.
Family oriented club focusing on fun.
Under 10s, 12s, 14s & 16s teams in 2014.
BELGRAVE RECREATION RESERVE
RESERVE ROAD, BELGRAVE
(03) 975 75511

Support Mr G for Movember
DONATIONS ARE STILL BEING ACCEPTED

The total for fundraising for Mr G is a wonderful
$500.00

Montrose Concert Series
2013

BACH CELLO SUITES
SUNDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2:00pm
$15 Adults, $10 Concession

WITH THE FIRE SEASON QUICKLY APPROACHING, NOW IS THE TIME TO HAVE ALL OF YOUR HOUSE GUTTERS CLEANED.

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