Friday 22nd August 2014

Calendar

Monday 25th August  
School Council Meeting 7.30pm

Tuesday 2nd September  
House Athletic Sports

Tuesday 9th September  
District Athletic Sports

Wednesday 10th September  
Log Cabin Ranch Camp for Years 3 & 4, return Friday 12th Sept

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NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE 22.8.2014

80TH ANNIVERSARY!

What a fantastic celebration we had this week with the Old Time Dress Up days, the Old time classroom activities and the 80th Anniversary School Parade to the original site of the school and through the Upwey Township to our present site. On our return from the walk we had a birthday celebration in the hall with visitors and had a Birthday Cup Cake. The tasty and beautifully decorated cupcakes were provided by Kelly W with assistance from Melissa H. As a whole school we sang Happy Birthday and then enjoyed the cupcakes. Thanks to children and parents for supporting the Old Time Dress so well with some outstanding authentic looking outfits all round. The staff also did a fantastic job and looked resplendent, if not a little bit too authentic!

Thanks also to Cindy for creating the photographic booklet that was distributed to all families as a memento of the commemorative activities.

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YEAR 5/6 CAMP
Our Year 5/6 Beechworth Camp at the Old Priory was a huge success with many historical talks and walks, snow visit and tobogganing and gold panning (quite successful with 28 flakes of alluvial gold being panned by staff and children). Thanks to the children for their behaviour, display of manners, enthusiasm and interest shown in all presentations.
Camp staff commented that the children’s behaviour and involvement “was a credit to themselves and Upwey Primary School” and this was further supported by external staff including bus drivers who were extremely complimentary. It certainly makes staff and me proud when the children in our school conduct themselves so well.
Thanks to Ms Wood and Sandra for their wonderful work in supporting the children throughout the camp and ensuring everything went smoothly. Another great experience at Beechworth for Upwey PS children!
Also thanks to Mrs Eeles for completing Acting Principal duties and staff remaining at school who held the fort so well in my absence.

STARS IN THE YARRA RANGES
The Stars in the Yarra Ranges – run by the Mount Burnett Observatory staff was a huge event on Tuesday evening with people from the neighbourhood attending presentations and activities related to Space. Thanks to our parents and children who attended and contributed to the evening’s success. Over 100 people attended the various activities. I thank James M and all the staff for wonderful organisation and their enthusiastic involvement.

SECONDARY PLACEMENTS FOR 2015 – YEAR 6 CHILDREN
All Secondary Placements have arrived at the school and all Year 6 children have been confirmed as being successful in being accepted at their requested school.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
The next School Council Meeting will be held on Monday 25th August at 7:30 pm in the staffroom.

UPCOMING EVENTS & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

HOUSE ATHLETICS SPORTS – TUESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER
Upwey Primary School will hold the annual House Athletics Sports on Tuesday 2nd September between 9:30am and 3:00 pm. Prep to Year 2 will complete most of their events from 9:15 to 11:30 with Year 3 to 4 children competing from 11:30 am onwards until completion. Children will be encouraged to wear House Colours and perform at their personal best in a number of events.
As a result of the performances in the House Sports the School Team for the District Athletics Sports will be selected. We will encourage all children to come appropriately dressed for competition on that day. I am also seeking the assistance of volunteers to assist with the running of the various events. Please contact me if you are able to assist for any part of the day. I will particularly need assistance in timing the sprints. The District Athletics Sports will be held at Knox Athletics Track on Tuesday 9th September.

YEAR 3/4 LOG CABIN LODGE CAMP
The Year 3/4 Camp to the Log Cabin Ranch at Monbulk is fast approaching and will be held from Wednesday 10th to Friday 12th September. Forms have been distributed this week and the deposit payment is required by Friday 15th August. Please return form and payment next week if not already completed. The final cost is anticipated to be $230 depending on final numbers. Miss Weatherlake, Sue Maxwell and I will be the staff attending. I am also seeking the support of a parent helper who might be able to attend the camp to assist with the program. Please contact me if you are interested and available. Thanks to the many parents who have volunteered to assist with transport. I will contact you regarding requirements soon.

SWIMMING PROGRAM 2014
Our Swimming Program will be held from Thursday 7th November until Friday 14th November at the Belgrave Outdoor Pool. It will be a 7 day intensive program to be held in the morning. The cost is anticipated to be $80 including train transport, pool entry and lessons. Parents are still invited to pay instalments if your child will be attending the lessons. Full details and permission will be distributed in the coming weeks.

PASSIONS 2014 PROGRAM
I am still seeking parent/community helpers for the Passions 2014 which will be run during Term 4. The anticipated dates will be Tuesday 21st October, Tuesday 11th, Tuesday 18th and Tuesday 25th November from 2 to 3:30 pm. Whatever your passion please let me know so that children will have a large selection of activities from which to choose. I am anticipating final details to be organised by the end of term.

REMINDIERS

SCHOOL PRODUCTION 2014
Work continues in full swing for the production of “Kids At Sea” with all grades learning the songs they will be presenting as part of the whole school production at the beginning of Term 4 (Thursday 16th October at Burrinja Theatre). The Year 5 & 6 children have continued working on the script and learning their lines for particular roles. Choreography is currently being worked out by the older children in rehearsals.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

ENROLMENTS FOR 2015
Now is the time to be organising enrolments for Prep in 2015. Enrolment forms are now available from the office. If you know of any friends or relatives who are planning to attend Upwey Primary School next year then please let them know that all enrolments are expected by Friday 29th August.
Enrolments will be taken now. Enrolments for other year levels are also available during this term.

THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOX PROGRAM
Upwey PS continues to host the Gifted & Talented Thinking Outside the Box Program for children attending local schools. The programs run by Penny Willoughby and Rhonda Ooi have now begun and are being held on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Technology Room. We have several children attending the Year 3 to 6 programs.
OUR 7 AGREEMENTS – FOCUS AREA

The school and teachers continue to focus on highlighting ATTENTIVE LISTENING as one of Our 7 Tribes Agreements which provide the basis for our value system at Upwey Primary School and what is important to us as members of a wider community. Please support us in encouraging children to understand and follow ideals of ATTENTIVE LISTENING.

What is Attentive Listening? Listening with your ears, mind and heart.

- Listen to take in and follow instructions
- Listen to process information for questions and consider action to follow

MRS EELES CONTINUING ON A RETURN TO WORK PLAN

Mrs Eeles has just about returned to full time duty although she is still required to wear the cam boot as her injury continues to heal. She will attend physiotherapy session on Monday afternoons but otherwise is attending full time. It is great to have her back in the grade and I am sure the children will be helping her out wherever possible because her movements are still a little restricted and we have to avoid obstacles.

THANKS

80TH BIRTHDAY CUPCAKES

Thanks to Kelly W for her wonderful baking skills and making 140 decorated cupcakes to celebrate our 80th Birthday on Tuesday 19th August. The cupcakes were a real surprise treat for the children and with the support of Melissa H topped off a terrific Birthday event. They also set up decorations and afternoon tea in the hall which was well received by visitors and some past students who attended.

Malcolm Aspinall
Principal
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### Upcoming Events:

- **Bookclub** –
  - Issue 5 – books distributed today.
  - Issue 6 booklets distributed today – Due back 29th August.
- **Father’s Day Stall** Friday 5th September 9:30am
  - Items 50c – $5
- **Term 4**
  - Mattel Super Toy Sale – see flier included in the newsletter for more details
- **Shopping Tour** – Sat Nov 8th
  - Bookings now being taken for this $60 includes lunch and glass wine at ‘The Pumphouse’
  - Tell your friends and family now. It’s a great day out and fantastic opportunity to get some Christmas Shopping done without the kids!
  - Meeting point Upwey Primary School
  - Outlets TBC next week.
- **Bunnings BBQ** –
  - Sat 6th December
  - In the past we have raised between $1500 and $1900 from this BBQ!
  - We are fortunate to receive a date for this so please mark the date in your diary to set aside an hour or two that can fit into your schedule.

### Happy Birthday

- **22nd Aug - 29th Aug**
- **Robbie**
- **Sandra**
- **Aaliyah**
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**Wanted**

EXTRA LARGE BOXES
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Thank you

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**Greg Champion**

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- The Kooks
- The Siren
- The War
- The Heartbreak Song
- She’s Only 16

There are currently limited vacancies for
Family Day Care
during Week 1 of September

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**When**

Friday 29 August 2014
7.30pm - 10.30pm

Dress up in your finest moccies & bunny (AKA bogan gear), BYO Drinks and Nibbles
DAMPER

Ingredients

- 3 cups of self raising flour
- 80g butter, chilled, cubed
- Pinch of salt
- 3/4 cup water

Method

Preheat oven to 200°C. Line a baking tray with non-stick baking paper. Combine the flour and salt in a large bowl. Use your fingertips to rub the butter into the flour until the mixture resembles fine breadcrumbs.

Add the water to the flour mixture and use a round-bladed knife in a cutting motion to mix until the mixture just comes together, adding 1-2 tablespoons extra water if the mixture is a little dry. Use your hands to bring the mixture together.

Turn the dough onto a lightly floured surface and knead gently for 1-2 minutes or until smooth. Shape into an 18cm disc and place on tray. Use a sharp knife that has been dipped in flour to mark 8 wedges on top. Dust the damper with a little extra flour and bake in preheated oven for 30 minutes or until the damper is cooked through and sounds hollow when tapped on the base. Transfer to a wire rack for 5 minutes to cool slightly. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Note: Damper was traditionally made in a cast-iron pot with a lid, called a "camp oven". The entire pot was either covered in hot wood coals or the camp oven was placed in a hole in the ground and surrounded with hot wood coals. It was usually served with tea made in a billy over the camp fire. Damper was originally made with plain flour, salt and water. Adding butter and self-raising flour came later on and gives a much tastier result.

Reflections from Prep 1 C

On Tuesday it was the school’s 80th birthday, so on Monday and Tuesday we had to dress up in olden day clothes. I wore a brown skirt with a pale pink and black jumper. It looked different in our classroom because the tables were in rows. Mrs C. had a ruler to pretend to smack us with. She walked around the classroom with it. On Monday we did activities in different classrooms. Mrs C helped us make things for our time capsule about our school right now. Miss Weatherlake made damper, Mrs Eeles did drawings with crayons and chalk and Ms Wood did olden day games. It was a very very fun day! On Tuesday we went on a walk with the whole school. We walked down to where the school started. When we came back we go to eat cupcakes.

By Aaliyah Uphill

Yesterday was my school’s 80th birthday. We wore 1930s clothes. Some people wore dresses, shorts, t-shirts, hats and vests. We had to sit in rows. We read as a class. We rotated around activities. One of the activities was making damper in the kitchens. We also did drawing and outside games. I wore an apron, a black dress, a hat and a ribbon in my hair. I had a great time doing all the activities.

By Caitlin Myers

Yesterday was our school’s 80th birthday. Lots of people wore olden day clothes. Some people wore dresses, boots and cardigans. The girls wore their hair in buns. We took an olden day photo and everyone had to look serious. You weren’t allowed to smile.

By Kaitlyn Shaw

On Monday the whole school did four activities which were outside games, drawings, making damper and time capsules things. We wore 1930’s clothes. I wore a vest and the girls wore dresses. All the teachers were strict for the day. I had to do my best writing. It wasn’t very fun! I’m glad I don’t go to school in the 1930’s.

By Seamus Separovich