PrINCIPAL’S MESSAGE 30.5.2014

DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY COMPETITION

The District Cross Country Sports were held last Friday. Congratulations to all the runners who competed and finished the event to the best of their ability. Hannah B qualified for the Division Cross Country after finishing 13th in the 11 Year Girls event which was an amazing effort. Other top 40 performances came from Caitlin S, finishing 21st in the 12 Girls as well as Imogen M (36th 11 Year Girls) and Rhiannon M (37th 12 Girls). Ferntree Gully North won the overall competition and St Thomas More won the Handicap Shield.
Student Achievement Awards

P/1C
Jasper
For creating an excellent policeman during our people in the community session.

P/1C
Kylie
For persevering with her writing by sounding out words and leaving spaces. Well done!

P/1C
Kaitlyn
For showing a great improvement in the presentation of her work. Great effort!

P/1C
Lachlan
For being a good role model for the kinder children during their PMP session.

P/1C P.E. Award
Aaliyah
For displaying very good skills and involvement with basketball skills.

2E
Darby
For reading being recorded up to 57 books. He has tried hard with silent reading and partner reading.

2E
Violet
For consistently handing in her Word List book and being keen to read list words on specific topics such as weather, clothes and space with a high accuracy rate.

2E
Ruby
For consistency in producing outstanding quality of work and supporting it with creativity.

2E
Banjo
For demonstrating a clear understanding of the steps to take to achieve effective persuasive writing, and implementing these steps to write a creative argument.

3/4G
Ash
For the terrific effort to improve your concentration and participation. Excellent work!

3/4G Year 3 Students
For their continued focus and concentration during the NAPLAN testing. Well done to everyone for doing your personal best.

3/4G P.E Award
Chelsea
For displaying excellent basketball skills.

5/6S
Holly
For her motivation and persistence in BODMAS today.

5/6S P.E Award
Hannah
For excellent work with basketball skills and displaying a great effort at the District Cross Country.

5/6S
Rhiannon
For her detailed design and production of her Asian inspired mask.

TRIBES AWARD
CONNOR
Congratulations, you have been nominated by a school community member for:
Showing exemplary manners in all activities including assembly.

SUSHI EXPRESS
Lunch orders
Friday’s only

- Hand Rolls $2.50 each
- Californian roll
- Teriyaki Chicken roll
- Crispy Chicken roll
- Avocado roll
- Vegetarian roll
- Salmon & Avocado roll
- Tuna & Avocado roll

PLEASE GIVE YOUR ORDER TO CINDY

DRINKS $1.50
WINTER SPORTS ROUND ROBIN
Although it was still Autumn and not really Winter the weather lived up to Winter expectations with a deluge halting the progress of the Round Robin event for the Year 3 to 6 children attending the competitions in Tee Ball, Netball and Soccer this week. All teams did manage to complete four games before the storm on Tuesday afternoon, but the afternoon fixture was cancelled and all children returned at various stages of “soaking wet”. The children enjoyed some great competition early and are to be congratulated on their keen desire to participate. Mr Gallaher, Miss Gallagher and Sandra did a terrific job and I thank them for their organisation. Particular thanks to Eddie G for his fantastic involvement with the Soccer and umpiring to such a high standard. Also thanks to our transport parents Nolene D, Natalie O & Danielle G for their wonderful commitment and flexibility regarding the early pick up.

DISTRICT ROUND ROBIN – COMPLETED GAMES
Tee Ball – The team won 1 game and lost 3 games in a close competition.
Soccer – The team won 1 game, drew 1 game and lost 2 games in a very competitive manner.
Netball – The team won 1 game, drew 1 game and lost 2 games in a great effort.
LIBRARY VISIT – UPWEY PRE SCHOOL @ UPWEY PRIMARY SCHOOL
It was great to welcome children from the Upwey Pre School to attend Upwey Primary School on Tuesday 27th May from 9:15 to 10:00am and take advantage of our Library for a story telling and library book borrowing activity with Michelle, Heather and helpers. We will invite them to return on Tuesday 10th June after the weekend.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Our photographers from SchoolPix did a terrific job in organising our School Photos on Monday this week. Our Whole School Photo was taken on the School Oval for a change. We look forward to receiving the finished products next term. Thanks everyone for “sprucing up” for the occasion. (Yes, even the staff!) Maxine and Kim were complimentary about the manner in which the children completed the sessions.

HAVE A LOOK! STUDENT WRITING DISPLAY – PERSUASIVE WRITING
All grades have continued focusing on Writing and a Term 2 Display of the work completed by all children will be placed on the display boards in the Office Foyer for next week. The Grade 5/6 work is already up on display and the other grades will follow shortly. Children and parents are invited to view the writing and see what written work the children are completing during class time. The written work is of the Persuasive Text style (or genre).

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
Our School Council Meeting was on Monday 26th April. Items included:
- Ratifying the proposal for subsidy opportunity for all children to receive the new Polo Shirt this year. (Information to be provided soon.)
- Ratified the ICT Working Party recommendation to address funding to provide new computers in each classroom and introduce digital tablets into the school to support the classroom digital technologies education (eLearning).
- Discussed focus projects for school improvement. Resignation of Mr G. Change in staffing for Term 3.

PARENT SURVEY – TABLETS & FOCUS PROJECT
The School Council have approved the surveying of parents to see what type, if any, Digital Tablet format they support at home. In consideration of the following recommended styles – Android & Apple (Samsung Galaxy, Google Nexus, Lenovo, iPad, or other). We are very keen to receive parent advice before final decisions are made. The School Council is also keen to hear from parents on what focus projects could be considered for 2014 in consideration of the betterment of the school and environment. (Some suggestions so far are – Celebrating the 80th Anniversary with a special event, improving the area around the double storey building, greater use of the sanctuary, greater digital communication, etc.) The idea would be for parents to also feature what level of expertise and involvement they may have for a particular project.
A short survey response form is attached to the newsletter and I would appreciate completion and return to me ASAP.

CURRICULUM DAY – FRIDAY 6TH JUNE
Our Term 2 Curriculum Day for Written Report Writing is to be held next Friday. (Friday 6th June). There will be no classes for children on this day as it will be a Student Free Day. Teachers will be busy writing up Semester 1 Written Reports. There will be no BASC Curriculum Day Program offered on this day.

MAIL NEWSPAPER ITEM
Great to see Upwey PS Education activities reported on in the Mail Newspaper this week. Please have a look at the article about our Education Week activities.

STAFF CHANGE
DEPARTURE OF MR GALLAHER
It is with considerable reluctance that I have accepted the resignation of Mr Gallaher from Upwey Primary School and the Department of Education as of the end of Term 2. He has decided to travel to the US with his fiancée Rachel and then seek other job opportunities outside teaching. We all know about his terrific skills and I am sure that he will continue his life journey with enthusiasm and success.

I am sure the whole school community will be saddened to hear the news, but I am sure you will all join me in wishing Mr G and Rachel all the best for the future. We are extremely fortunate to have been on the receiving end of his dedication and enthusiasm (and occasional hyperactivity!) It is hard to tie a good man down!

We will also have to organise a big send off at the end of term in appreciation of his wonderful commitment and service to Upwey PS over the last 5 years.
CLASSROOM POSITION ADVERTISED – GRADE 3/4G
The classroom teacher position has been advertised and we will be shortlisting, interviewing and making a selection to replace Mr G in the near future. I will also be organising a transition phase for the replacement teacher to work with Mr G and the grade before the end of term to ensure a smooth transition into Term 3.

UPCOMING EVENTS
BASKETBALL CLINICS @ UPWEY PS – MOUNTAIN TIGERS
We are fortunate to have Robert Linton from the Mountain Tigers coming on Monday 2nd June to run basketball clinics for the whole school. I am anticipating that the following timetable will apply – Grade 3/4G from 9:15 to 10, Grade 5/6S from 10:15 to 11, Grade P/1C from 11:30 to 12:15 and Grade 2E from 12:15 to 1:00. This should be a fabulous experience for our children. Please have children wear suitable footwear on Monday.

YEAR 5 TRANSITION @ UPWEY HIGH
Our Year 5 children have been invited to attend specially organised classes at Upwey High for a Secondary School Transition Experience. The Transition activity is planned for Wednesday 11th June.

UNIVERSITY OF NSW - COMPETITIONS
The next University of NSW competition for children involved will be on Wednesday 4th June.

WHOLE SCHOOL EXCURSION
We are in the final stages of planning a Whole School Excursion to the city and Polly Woodside. The excursion is planned for Friday 20th June with transport by train (and foot!). More details and costs will be released in the near future when final details are available.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
FOCUS AREA - PERSONAL BEST
Grades will continue focusing on Personal Best. This is one of Our 7 Agreements and is such a vital area for children to be applying themselves to all aspects of academic, sporting, behavioural and social development. Please support the school by also highlighting this focus area after school hours, particularly in preparation for Semester 1 Written Reports.

REMINDERS
QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
A reminder that Monday 9th June will be the Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday and school will be closed on that day. The children will have a long, long weekend next weekend!

BASC PROGRAM INVOLVEMENT
A reminder to all parents that our Before and After School Care program is available to all parents, even those who are not working and don’t normally require the service, with Commonwealth Childcare Benefits available to all. If there is a particular evening or special activity at BASC your are welcome to have your child attend for around $10 or less. This need only be a casual booking.

CHOCOLATE DRIVE – PA FUNDRAISING
The chocolate fundraising packs/boxes from Cadbury have now been distributed. This is part of the PA/Fundraising Commitments for 2014. If you did not receive a Chocolate Box and wish to assist fundraising by selling them, please contact the office and this can easily be organised. Thanks again to the PA/Fundraising Committee who have organised the fundraising activity so well and to the children/families who have already sold boxes and have, on occasions, taken more to sell. The immediate response has been terrific. It is this sort of fundraising that will support the introduction of tablets to the classrooms.

SECONDARY PLACEMENT FORMS FOR 2015
The secondary placement forms were due in on Friday 23rd May. These need to be returned so that Year 6 children are confirmed with a placement in 2015; otherwise they will not be registered.

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### BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Hi all,
Here’s what’s on next week:

**Monday:** Planet Paper Mache

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**Wednesday:** Games in the Hall

**Thursday:** Movie Night

**Friday:** CURRICULUM DAY

Have a great weekend and see you Monday
Sam

### TRIVIA NIGHT IS SET FOR,

Saturday 2nd August.

Donations are coming in, but if you would like to donate to the Auction please drop any items into the office.

### P.A. News

Next Meeting June 3rd, 2pm.

**All welcome**

MOVIE NIGHT

Friday 20th June

BYO Dinner, 6pm

“Magic Show”

### SHOPPING TOUR:

Saturday 8th November:

Get some friends together and join in on a great day!
Mount Medical Clinic

1592 Burwood Hwy,
Belgrave, Vic 3160

Monday – Friday 8.30am – 9.00pm
Saturday 9.00am – 5.00pm

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Auditory Processing and Learning

What could your child’s behaviour be trying to tell you?

Information session & question forum
with Laila from Blue Horizon

Tuesday 3rd June 2014
7.00pm to 8.30pm

At: Chirnside Park Country Club, 68
Kingswood Drive, Chirnside Park

We help children with:
Learning and Behaviour difficulties
Development and Language delay,
Autism Spectrum Disorders
Auditory and Visual processing difficulties

Bookings essential Cost $25
Please contact Blue Horizon on 5967 2335

Dancers EDGE
Tiny Dancers
Dance is a fun, healthy and entertaining way to exercise and express creativity. Dance improves posture which is important for growing bodies, flexibility and endurance. Not only is the body getting a workout, so is the mind! Dance is known to improve memory, improve hand eye coordination and build confidence.

SO WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?
We have classes available for children aged 2 and over!

Email info@Outlaws-Edge.com.au to book your child in today!

ROLL UP YOUR SLEEVES AND GIVE BLOOD

UPWEY MOBILE UNIT
Upwey Community Hall
1443 Burwood Highway.

Monday 23 June 1:30pm – 7:30pm
Tuesday 24 June 1:30pm – 7:30pm
Wednesday 25 June 1:30pm – 7:30pm
Thursday 26 June 2:00pm – 7:30pm
Friday 27 June 9:30am – 3:30pm

To book your appointment please call 13 14 95

To make an appointment call 13 14 95
or visit danceswedge.com.au
GUITAR LESSONS
Beginner to intermediate guitar lessons for all ages
Can teach acoustic or electric guitar, in a variety of styles
$20 per half hour lesson, located in Kalista
Contact Kevin on 0447785108 or email
kevinandersonmusic1@gmail.com

Don’t forget! Book Club orders are due: 13TH JUNE

Want to learn some new ways to discover yourself?
Circle Of Girls is a program for young women experiencing difficulties dealing with their emotions, struggling with significant relationships and many other issues.
The program runs once a week over six weeks and covers topics such as communication, feelings and emotions, self-esteem and confidence, assertiveness, strategies for getting past anger, and relationship building. A parent forum after the final session is also an important element of the program.

When: Young women in Grade 6
Where: Yara Rangers Youth Service, 1010 Benewake Highway Berwick
Where: Thursdays during Term 3, 2016 (16 July, 21 July, 4 August and 8 August)
Cost: Free
Contact: Lou Young, Group Work Facilitator, Connections 9724 2222
Or Rana Kalanjan, Community Engagement Worker, headspace 9801 9088

PLAYERS WANTED - Get Active & Have Fun with Rugby League!
The Eastern Ruppers Rugby League Club is your only local rugby league club, providing the opportunity for local boys and girls to play Rugby League from Under 6s through to Under 14s.
The Club is pleased to invite all new players to come and have a TRY! We have vacancies in all teams.
No experience is necessary, our accredited coaches are willing to teach all aspects of the game.
The season has just started but it's not too late, get on board now!
The Club is located at Coldstream Reserve, Coldstream Road Boronia and we train on Monday and Wednesdays from 5.30 – 6.30pm.
For further information, please call Rebecca Hamrock on 0412 154 776
Rugby League is an exciting game combining the skills of passing, catching, running and having FUN!
Go to www.easterncantors.com.au for further information

MONASH University
Professional Development Programs
Certificate of Education Support Integration Aide/Teacher Aide
(Berwick)

A qualification that will enhance your career opportunities.
This course is designed for people wishing to work with students with additional learning needs in primary, secondary and specialist schools.

Topics
- Historical and current perspectives on educating students with additional learning needs
- The roles, responsibilities and work conditions of an Education Support Integration Aide/Teacher Aide
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- Understanding Individual Learning Styles
- Working as part of a team with students, teachers and staff members
- Understanding and supporting the learning needs of students with
  - Intellectual Disabilities
  - Learning Disabilities
  - Autism Spectrum Disorder
  - Physical Disabilities
  - Communication Difficulties
  - Sensory Impairment
- Challenging Behaviours
- Teaching and Learning
  - Literacy
  - Numeracy
  - Engaging students in learning
  - Stages of Learning
  - Curriculum and the development of Individual Learning Plans

Venue
Berwick
Monash University
Berwick Campus

Dates 2014
4 Fridays and 4 Saturdays
9.00 am – 3.30 pm
July
25, 26, 27
August
8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23

Course Length
The course is delivered over eight days of 6 hours per day.

Prerequisites
There are no formal prerequisites for the course, however, it is essential that each participant possesses a satisfactory level of spoken and written English so they are able to complete the assessment tasks.

Assessment
- Journal
- Class participation
- Minimum class attendance is required (check with presenter)
- 2 written assignments

BELEZA UNIFORM SHOP
WILL BE CLOSED ON
THE QUEENS’ BIRTHDAY
LONG WEEKEND
7TH—9TH JUNE
**Zucchini Soup**

**Ingredients**
- 1 sweet potato
- 1 cup of sliced mushrooms
- 1 onion
- 2 potatoes (adjust according to size)
- 2 zucchinis (wash and chop off each end and leave the skin on)

**Method**

- Chop all vegetables
- Saute onion in a little vegetable oil first and then gradually add the rest of the vegetables and stir them.
- Add the vegetable stock
- Add just enough water to simmer the vegetables
- It needs to simmer for one hour.

When you are ready to eat the soup, pan fry chopped up bacon to put on top as a garnish.

Enjoy eating this yummy soup.

A DELICIOUS WINTER WARMER, BY 2E

A HUGE THANK YOU TO RUBY O, FOR THE WONDERFUL PHOTOS OF THE SOUP MAKING.