** principal’s message 13.3.2015  
** working bee  
I am looking forward to a big turnout for this evening’s Twilight Working Bee and hope you can provide at least an hour of your time to maintain our school learning environment. There are many jobs as listed below with all levels of capabilities catered for! Please bring a mower or brushcutter if you are able. All assistance will be appreciated. Don’t forget the Free Sausage Sizzle at the conclusion of the evening.

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** Calendar  
Friday 13th March  
Twilight working bee and Sausage Sizzle, 4pm - 7pm  
PA Annual General Meeting, 2pm, Everybody welcome!  
Football Clinic for Years 3/4W & 5/6W with Hawthorn Football Players  
Upwey Primary Schools Annual Billy Cart Grand Prix  
Last day for term 1, 2.30pm finish.

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** 3/4W have been Measuring Mass in Kilograms  
In Maths we did hefting. Hefting is putting two objects on both hands and seeing which one is heavier. - Regan  
In Maths we had to cut out pictures from magazines and stick them on pieces of paper that said different grams and kilograms. - Josh  
Our 3/4W Maths activities were, hefting, weighing and cutting out things and comparing objects by using scales. - Laura

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SCHOOL SELF-EVALUATION

Dates have been set for our School Self-Evaluation and resultant School Review. I want to gain feedback on our school’s performance over the last few years and will be requesting parent involvement as well as the feedback from children. Staff have begun the process with a very fruitful staff meeting dealing with Student Engagement & Wellbeing held this week. We aim to have the Self-Evaluation completed by Tuesday 12th May when our Reviewer will have a preliminary school visit and the School Review will be held on Tuesday 9th June.

SPORT

REGIONAL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Hayden W did his best at the Regional Swimming Sports today at Nunawading Pool. He was swimming in the 9/10 Boys Butterfly event and completed his heat well although he did not advance to the final in the afternoon. This was a magnificent effort Hayden!

UPCOMING EVENTS

HAWTHORN PLAYERS FOOTBALL CLINIC – Extracurricular Program

Through the AFL Development program we have been offered the opportunity for our senior children to be involved in a Footy Clinic run by the Hawthorn Football Club. We have now organised the clinic for Grade 3/4 W (along with 3E children) & Grade 5/6W on Friday 20th March from 11:30 am until 1:00 pm with two Hawthorn Football Club players on the school oval.

I encourage the children to bring their footy boots, track shoes and footy jumpers (not compulsory though) for the clinic as it is a great opportunity for our children to be involved in exercise.

(As a result of last year’s Grand Final I might be unavailable to attend this event!)

UPWEY PRIMARY SCHOOL BILLY CART GRAND PRIX – FRIDAY 27th MARCH

This annual event will be held on Friday 27th March which is the last Friday of Term 1. A separate notice and entry form will be distributed next week. This will be a fundraising venture used in conjunction with the Junior School Council fundraiser for Term 1. (Children participating as drivers in the Billy Cart Grand Prix will be required to pay an entry fee of $5 which will be inclusive of the gold coin donation for Out of Uniform Day on the last day of Term 1.) Be prepared to get those entry forms in if you want to be involved in the driving fun! Don’t forget to have your bill cart in prime working order! Parents and relatives will be welcome to attend and view the time trials. The anticipated timetable will be attached to the permission notice. The approximate timetable will be:

8:30 - 9:15 am. Setting up!
9:15 - 9:45 am Prep/1C
9:45 - 10:15 am 2/3E
10:30 - 11:00 pm 3/4W
11:30 - 12:00 pm 5/6W
12:50 pm Presentation Ceremony for all grades

UPWEY HIGH TRANSITION

UPWEY HIGH SCHOOL OPEN AFTERNOON

Our children in Grade 5/6W have been invited to attend the Transition Experience Open Afternoon at Upwey High on Wednesday 18th March. They will be attending from 1:00 pm and will be involved in several activities during the afternoon.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TWILIGHT WORKING BEE & SAUSAGE SIZZLE – FRIDAY 13th MARCH

We will be holding our first Twilight Working Bee for the year on Friday 13th March from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. I encourage all families available to come along and help out for an hour or two (or more) during the evening. We have quite a bit of work to be done to tidy the grounds and repair facilities for the children. Particular work is required on attaching our 2014 Year 6 Paling People to the fence, mowing/brushcutting, pruning/gardening, girls toilet door repairs (including fitting new locks and trimming doors to make them close properly), painting pickets and timber playground repairs. Quite a list really! Any help with any of these tasks would be much appreciated.

Jobs List

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All workers will be welcome to attend the Free Sausage Sizzle BBQ at the conclusion of the evening at about 6:30 pm.

I am looking forward to a big attendance tonight to ensure completion of all work jobs.

SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT

PARENTS’ AUXILIARY/FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

For parents interested in grassroots involvement in the school I can recommend the PA/Fundraising Committee. This group has done an amazing job in raising an enormous amount of money for the school and is such a vital part of supporting our children. Monthly meetings are held at the school and ideas for fundraising and providing fun events for the children are discussed.

The most important AGM Meeting will be held next week in the staffroom, Tuesday 17th March, from 2:00 until 3:30 pm. Please come along and contribute/find out the plans for 2015.
REMININDERS
ANDREW FULLER’S HANDY HINTS FOR IMPROVING LEARNING

The following handy hint for improving learning are extracted from Andrew Fuller’s book "Help Your Child Succeed At School"

Eat a good breakfast
If your Mum ever said have fish or eggs for breakfast because it’s brain food, she was right! As long as it’s medically safe to do so, a breakfast that is high in protein (think cheese, milk, bacon, eggs) and lower in carbohydrates (think cereal, orange juice and toast) promotes concentration and learning.

Also encourage your child to drink lots of water - the brain runs on it!

Students who don’t eat breakfast are not only more likely to gain weight; they will also have to work harder than others to do well at school.

FOCUS AREA - THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE/PASS

Grades will be focusing on The Right to Participate/Pass over the coming weeks. This is one of Our 7 Agreements and is an important area for children to apply themselves to being included and having equal opportunity to be heard as part of our Tribes Learning Community approach in the school. The reason for the inclusion of Pass is to give some children the opportunity for extra thinking time if they feel unsure and then they will then be asked for their participation after the thinking time has elapsed.

Please support the school by also highlighting this focus area.

LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES PROGRAM - Extracurricular Program

We are currently running three Lunchtime Activities Programs on Mondays and Wednesdays for children who wish to be involved. Gardening Club in the Vegie Garden is offered by Sue on Mondays from 1:35. Lego Building is offered by Mrs Eeles on Wednesdays from 1:35 and Art/Felt work for Year 1 children will be offered on Wednesdays from 1:35 for the next 4 weeks. Thanks to our committed staff who are providing extra options for children during lunch recess.

COMMUNITY EVENT
UPWEY HIGH SCHOOL ARTS FESTIVAL

Upwey High will be holding an Arts Festival featuring an Streeton Art Show and Art Competition which will coincide with their Open Evening. Children and adults are invited to provide entries in the Art Competition in the following 3 categories:

Lower Primary School (Open Theme) – People’s Choice Award & Judges’ Award
Upper Primary School (Open Theme) – People’s Choice Award & Judges’ Award
Secondary School (Open Theme) – People’s Choice Award & Judges’ Award
Open Category (Open Theme) – People’s Choice Award & Judges’ Award

The dates are from Saturday 14th March until Wednesday 18th March. Entry forms are available at the school office for anyone interested in entering an exhibit. Thanks to Mrs Kittredge for assisting with our art work and the many children who have entered their work.

THANKS
GIRL’S TOILET REPAIRS

Thanks heaps to Wendell H & David M who have repaired the doors in the girl’s toilets already, even before tonight’s working bee.

Malcolm Aspinall
Principal
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### P.A AND FUNDRAISING

**HELP!!!!!**

Due to our wonderful fundraising efforts we now have a huge amount of books and novels for the classrooms and library but we need a hand contacting them. If you can offer your time, please contact the office.

Our annual Easter raffle is coming up fast. We have sent home raffle tickets today and ask that all families could please donate an Easter item for the raffle.

**Craft Group will be on every Friday from 9am – 12pm.**

Our next meeting will be the AGM, so we are asking all members to please attend and any new members are always welcome.

**Next meeting (AGM): TUESDAY 17TH MARCH 2:00 – 3:30PM**

**BOOKCLUB DUE BACK : MONDAY 16TH MARCH**

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**UPWEEY ARTS FESTIVAL 2015**

**Streton Art Awards Exhibition Opening Hours**

**Saturday 14 March 1.00pm to 5.00pm**

**Awards Ceremony for the Judges Award- 4pm in the UHS Library**

**Monday 16 March 4.00pm to 6.00pm**
**Tuesday 17 March 4.00pm to 6.00pm**
**Wednesday 18 March 1.00pm to 7.00pm**

**Venue- Upwey High School Library**
“WALKING WITH DINOSAURS” is heading back to Melbourne!
Don’t miss out on seeing this amazing show!
Upwey Primary School has received an incredible school special discount price of $39.90 for the entire school community!!
THIS IS THE PERFECT FAMILY SHOW!
BOOK YOUR TICKETS NOW AT
www.smarttix.com.au

Celebrate Cultural Diversity Week
MONDAY 16 MARCH
10am – 11:30am
Moorabbin Community Centre
120 Bayswater Rd, Moorabbin
Come along for a FREE morning of play for parents and children to celebrate diversity and multiculturalism in the Yarra Ranges.
Activities include children’s activities, dance, interactive workshops, stories, dance, arts & crafts, food and more!
For more information please contact:
Early Years Development Team, Yarra Ranges Council
Ph: 1300 363 333 or visit www.yarraranges.vicro.gov.au

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The Hills Poppy Project
Marking 100 years since Australians landed in Anzac Cove
1915 - 2015
You are invited

You are invited to celebrate the Anzac Centenary.
You are invited to participate in activities that help ensure this great Australian story will continue to flourish.
You are invited to visit our website for more information.
www.governmentofnsw.com.au
THE YEAR 6 STUDENTS WERE LUCKY TO HAVE A VISITING JAPANESE TEACHER, HELPING THEM LEARN HIRAGANA, WHILE THE YEAR 5'S BEGIN TO LEARN THE JAPANESE NUMBER SYSTEM

NUMBERS IN JAPANESE

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P/1C AND 5/6W ENJOYED CATCHING UP WITH THEIR BUDDIES TODAY