

FROM THE PRINCIPAL: Ruth Miller

We are all looking forward to the holidays, after an extremely busy term. There have been many fantastic achievements this term, for both individual students and the whole school.

The National testing results for Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 are becoming available this week. We will be forwarding these home in the first week after the holidays.

We say farewell to Mr Niculscu who is returning to Melbourne. I have appreciated Mr N's flexibility with a very challenging timetable!

Our Fairly Funky Fun Fest is on October 25, so please get on board now with the preparations!

FROM THE P & C: Linda Routledge

Today was the final day for calendar orders. Thanks to all parents who placed orders, these will be back next term, ready for Christmas presents.

Fairly Funky Funfest

Preparations seem to be going along nicely. Don't forget to see your class teacher or parent representative to see what you can do to help. All classes will be asking for donations first thing next term. Keep them coming! Thanks.

Lost Property

Lost property will be displayed on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week in the walkway near admin. Any lost property remaining after that will be donated to charity.

SCIENCE NEWS: Mrs Gibson

Newsflash from Science!

National Science Week Activities 2008

This year we are holding our usual after school science workshops in conjunction with the Col Morris Public Library to celebrate National Science Week! However they are much later than usual and the previously advertised dates have changed due to circumstances beyond my control. See the flyer in today's Rush for details. Please note there are two sessions on different days to accommodate students of differing ages. Extra registration forms will be available from the school office. Numbers will be limited so make sure you get your registrations in early. Take the registration form to Mrs Kratzmann at the Col Morris Public Library. There is no cost for either workshop. Hope to see you there!

It gives me great pleasure to announce that we will be raising the science time capsule early in term 4 and displaying the contents at the Fairly Funky Fun Fest on Saturday 25th of October. This will be a great opportunity for the community to see "what went down" in 1998. The time capsule was buried during National Science Week in 1998 as a part of the school celebrations on the theme "Exploring Time". After the Fairly Funky Fun Fest the contents will also be on display in the Col Morris Public Library. Please spread the word amongst family and friends as there have been numerous enquiries this year about the timing of this exciting event! Enjoy the holidays!

Mental Health Week

KidsMatter- mental health is a matter for everyone

As a Kidsmatter school we have three major aims:

- Improve the mental health and wellbeing of students
- Reduce mental health problems among students(e.g. anxiety, depression and behavioural problems)
- Achieve greater support for those students experiencing mental health problems

We can achieve this through a positive and supporting school community. To do this we are promoting Mental Health Week 5th-11th October.

We are running the following great competitions (great activities during the holidays):

- **Poster Competition- years 4-10:** 'What I like about me'. Students are required to make a poster depicting the things that they like about themselves. The posters are to be A4 or A3 in size. They can be drawn, painted or created on a computer. For example if a student feels that they play a sport well they can depict that sport. If a student feels that they are a great friend they can illustrate friends (or use pictures of their friends).
- **Colouring/Decorating Competition- Years prep-3:** 'what colours make me happy'? Students are required to colour/decorate in a butterfly logo or a smiley face with all the colours that make them happy. Materials that could be used include pencils, paint, collage, feathers, glitter etc. The butterfly is adopted from the Kids Matter and Beyond Blue logo and the Smiley face is a positive happy image.
- Copies available from teachers and the office

Prizes will be awarded to each year level

We are also having 'You are Great' Awards

- nominated by students, staff, teachers, parents and community members.
- Anyone in the school community can be awarded. It is the chance for people to tell someone else how great they, what you like about them and that they are appreciated.
- Nomination forms will also be available at the office

On World Mental Health Day Friday 10 October we will be having a range of activities for students to participate in. We will also be holding a special Mental Health Parade at 2.30 pm to present the winners of the colouring and poster competitions as well as the 'You are Great' Awards. We invite all parents, career and member of the school community to the Parade or for some time during the activities. Classes will get the timetable of when they will be doing the activities closer to the date.

Poetry From Year 9

Look after Your School

By Josh Evans

Lots of care
Our in the country
Out everywhere, be aware
Keep things clean

A caring person
For caring
Touring and caring
Enjoy Australia day
Remember what's right and wrong

You care and you say
Out everywhere, be aware
You are to care about the environment
Riding around, be careful

Succeeding in school
Caring for the environment
Hiking in the wild do not drop rubbish
Out in the garden
Out on the oval
Look after you school

Look After Your School

At nine in the morning when the bell rings
She walks in the classroom with all of her things
She skips to her desk at the back of the room
Which is behind the kid who is full of gloom
Listen to what happens when she leaves the room.
As soon as it's lunchtime, she runs out the door
Slips down the stairs and lets out a big ROAR
She gets to her feet and unwraps her lunch
Her rubbish is now on the ground in a bunch

The play bell just rung, what happens next?
 You'll have to keep reading to find out the rest.
 Meet me at the oval, is what she just text
 Which means she stole a phone, which is definitely
 Becks
 She went to the toilets, with a pen in her pocket
 She took off the lid and drew a big rocket
 The bell rung again, so she went into class
 She walked to the door and then broke the glass
 She sat at the desk beside the weird dork
 But instead of her pen she had brought her own fork
 The teacher had enough, and sent her to the office
 She spoke to the principal, Mr Van Lossif
 All day she'd been silly
 Worse than big Billy
 The principal said, you're such a fool
 Which is why you should learn to look after your
 school.

News from Year 3

Year 3 have been investigating what a stereotype is and reading and learning about the genre of fairytales. These are some fairytales that the Year 3's have written which try to challenge the traditional stereotypes that appear in fairytales.

Once upon a time there was a pig name Wobble, a Princess and a guy.

There was also a dragon and a King.

The dragon killed the King because he was hungry.

So the King got burnt by the dragon's fire.

The guy tried to kill the dragon but he got eaten too!

Wobble married the Princess because Wobble was handsome.

Wobble was kind to the dragon and so he became their pet.

They lived happily ever after.

Written by Cody Baldry

Once upon a time there was a King and Queen.

They lived in the bush. Then one day an old man came and lit the bush on fire.

He lit the bush on fire because he hates the King and the Queen.

The animal and people were in danger.

The King rang the police and fireman. Luckily the police and fireman came quickly!

The fireman put the fire out with their hoses to save the people and they lived happily ever after.

Written by Dean Radke

Once upon a time there lived a mucky princess named Louise, a pretty dragon name Joseph and an ugly prince name Jollinee. Princess Louise was very posh and rolled around in the spa all day. Dragon Joseph was a guard and really didn't like it. Prince Jollinee was ugly and was always lying on the bed.

They lived in the Land of Madagascan Island. It's the only majorly tropical island in summer and spring.

One day a giant Troll made of metal and materials came and took the dragon when he was getting changed. The giant Troll took her to a candy store and locked him in there.

Prince Jollinee asked Princess Louise to marry him that night at dinner time.

The next day the Prince called all the people who know how to do weddings. The people who did weddings came to help them with the wedding.

Prince Jollinee is going to be a King now. Princess Louise didn't know about weddings so she was just going to keep being herself and roll around in the spa all day.

The next day the Prince told Louise all the plans for the wedding and she fainted! When she woke up she was surprised.

When they got home they saw all the wedding stuff set up.

Prince Jollinee was excited because he was going to be a King. Princess Louise was excited as well because she was going to be a Queen. It wasn't until now that they realised that the dragon was missing.

Prince Jollinee and Princess Louise set off to find the dragon and think of a plan to get him back. They found him in a candy store. Their plan was that one of them would go around the front and one would be around the back. The front person distracts the giant Troll while the person at the back lets the dragon free.

Princess Jollinee went around the back and she bought a baseball bat with her. She smashed the glass and got the dragon out.

They flew around the front and got the Prince. They flew home.

The next day they got married with the dragon guarding the gate again. They got some horses and rode around on them after the wedding and the dragon would fly above them.

Written by Chantelle Law

Music Matters

By Robyn Crowley

Senior Choir

Last Thursday our Senior Choir visited Forest View and sang for the residents there. All choir members did a great job and the singing was appreciated by the audience. Someone said to the choir: "Who needs a radio. You are as good as songs on the radio." Well done everyone!

Junior Choir

CHANGE OF DATE FOR JUNIOR CHOIR VISIT TO FOREST VIEW.

Notes have gone home to Junior Choir members about our visit on Thursday 16 October. Due to circumstances beyond our control, **this date has changed to Thursday 6 November.** In the interest of saving a few trees, I will not send home a new note. Just fill in the one you have, being aware that the date has changed. I already have quite a number of notes returned, so unless I hear otherwise, I will presume that the permission given also holds for the new date. The choir will sing at 11.00 am, so we will leave school after first break, and return in time for second break.

Any parents who would like to hear the choir sing and offer their support to our young singers are very welcome to walk with us or meet us at the hospital.

Both our choirs will sing at the Fairly Funky Fun Fest on October 25.

COMING EVENTS

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September

17 Touch Footy - Taabinga

19 Indigenous Health Screening
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL TERM 3

October

06 Monday first of term 4

10 Mental Health week activities and parade

20 & 21 PUPIL FREE DAYS

COMMUNITY NEWS

Wheatlands State School

FAIRYTALES & FABLES

ENTRY GOLD COIN
 DONATION AT THE DOOR

SUPPER PLEASE BRING A PLATE

Date: Tuesday 16th September, 2008
Time: 6.00pm

Mondure Hall, McConnell Way, MONDURE

Contact person: Megan Moore Principal
4168 4970

Southern Cross Cultural Exchange, an Australian not-for-profit organisation specialising in international student exchange programs, is seeking volunteer host families for high school students aged between 14 and 18 years old scheduled to arrive in Australia in early February 2009 from Austria, Germany, Italy, Canada, Japan, and the USA. All students are required to go through a stringent selection process. Host families can choose from students staying for a range of either 3, 5 or 10 months and they all attend local high schools whilst they are in Australia. The main purpose of cultural exchange is to challenge youth towards international understanding and tolerance. However hosting can benefit you by helping to make your family aware of different cultures, values, study habits, languages, and food. Have fun showing off Australian differences to international youth, make new overseas friends, and take a look at Australia through the eyes of another culture. There are no costs for the host family, as we organise all the flights, school enrolment, transportation, medical and insurance cover and

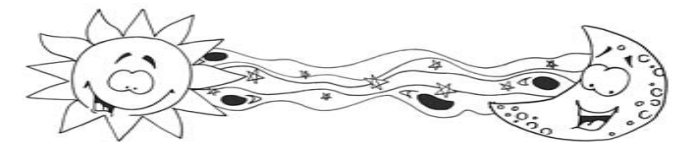
local support systems. Call Southern Cross Cultural Exchange now toll free on 1800 500 501, visit www.scce.com.au or email scceaustr@sce.com.au

Kind regards and thank you

Robert Lindsay
 National Business Development Manager

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- 4 burner BBQ \$40

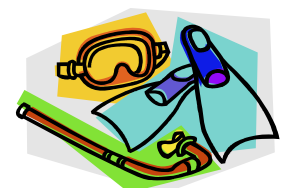
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Cricket Umpiring

Meet and Greet
 International Umpire David Orchard
 All Club Captains, Officials,
 Cricketers, Coaches, Parents and
 Interested persons welcome
 Place: Yarraman
 Date: 20 September 2008
 Time: 2.00 pm
 Venue – Emergency Services Building opposite the
 Community Hall, Browne Street, Yarraman
 Enquiries: Bevan Badke phone 4163 8405

Wondai Swim Club

First Night 6 October 2008
 6.00 pm start
 New members welcome
 2 week free trial for new
 comers
 All welcome



Wanted

Size 7 – 8 summer dress

Please phone Miranda

4168 3743

Puppies

Sharpei x Mastiv

3 x females, 3 x males

8 weeks old

Very cute

Phone 4169 0191



Holiday Activities

CTC Youth Services will be running a range of activities over the September and October school holiday period. Please contact the school office for details.