



Halls Gap Primary School Newsletter No 27 Wednesday 29th August 2012

TERM 3 Week 7/10	
Monday 27th – Friday 31st August	Literacy and Numeracy Week
Monday 27 th August	Newcombe Secondary College music performance (no Religious Instruction)
Tuesday 28 th August	Castle building day
Tuesday 28 th 3.15pm	Working Bee (all parents asked to come along and support by lending a hand to further tidy and organise our school following all the building and grounds work)
Tuesday 28 th August	Active After School Sport 3.15-4.15 Golf
Thursday 30 th August	Active After School Sport 3.15-4.15 Yoga
Friday 31 st August	Greek Olympics, special lunch prepared by parents \$2.50 students will need their own drink and morning tea
WEEK 8/10	
Monday 3 rd September	Rural Schools Transition Day 1 Stawell Secondary School – for students attending in 2013
Tuesday 4 th September	Active After School Sport 3.15-4.15 Golf
Wednesday 5 th September	Proposed teacher stopwork – Australian Education Union (Junior Class not to attend school for the day)
Thursday 6 th – Saturday 8 th September	State Schools Spectacular rehearsals and performances (Melbourne)
Thursday 6 th September	MARC
Thursday 6 th September	Active After School Sport 3.15-4.15 Yoga
Friday 7 th September	Junior School Council fundraising activity \$2.00 – Footy Colours Day Fight Cancer Foundation

Dear Parents

This week we are again visiting our school values as determined through our school review. These values were selected through consultation and discussion with parents, students, staff and school reviewer. Following our assembly on Monday morning we discussed each value, reminded ourselves the key words contained within each value statement and then began to collate examples within our school that were a clear demonstration of that value in action.

Honesty

- *Being true to yourself, family, friends and teachers*

Persistence

- *Being confident, resilient and optimistic when striving to meet challenges*

Humour

- *To enjoy and celebrate with others*

Initiative

- *To contribute ideas, be flexible and demonstrate leadership*

Commitment

- *Being dedicated to do your very best*

Teamwork

- *Working with and sharing with others to enhance learning for everyone*

Respect

- *Treating self, others and your environment with care and respect.*

Five examples of our school values in action –

Persistence: Georgia and Zali playing football. They don't often play and they were having a good try. By Nathan

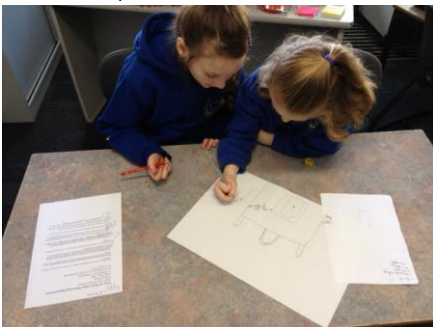
Honesty: Sam showed honesty and admitted he got a fright when Mrs H used his whole name (Samuel). By Bethany

Commitment: Izzy committed to changing her thinking and mastering her times tables. Mrs Hilbig

Persistence: Dylan taking on something new and playing football. By Angus

Honesty: Charlie admitted he didn't mark the ball when everyone thought he did. By Haylee

Castles, castles, castles. Yesterday students were busy completing various applications and design briefs for their castle. Students had to meet and plan, present to town planners, obtain permits and then safely construct their buildings. Castles were required to meet specific building guidelines and to include a number of special elements. All groups received the stamp of approval to build following identifying a suitable building site. If you haven't had a chance to view the various castles please visit the classrooms and ask students to show you their constructions.



planning phase (great to see the younger buddy writing and actively engaged)



construction phase



Last Thursday we enjoyed our final visit for this term from the Pomonal/Halls Gap Playgroup. Beginning to build relationships with prospective students is an important part of our transition role. It is great to see our students take on roles of leadership during these visits. This week we also enjoyed a visit to our community from the Newcombe Secondary School Band.

A very big thankyou to those who gave generously of their time and came along and helped at the working bee yesterday. We have been very keen to clean out some of the spaces but have been waiting for the building works to end. It was a dirty job which required lots of moving and sorting of old bits and pieces. Our next plan is to work towards ensuring we have grass cover across both oval and play spaces before the summer sets in. Whilst parents and staff were working hard to clean and sort, the final stages of installation of the synthetic grass was taking place. We have been instructed to be careful until the ground really dries out and sets hard. Problems may arise if we have large amounts of rain and the ground becomes waterlogged.

Have a wonderful week
Judy Hilbig

TEACHER STRIKE ACTION

Please note on Wednesday 5th September the Australian Education Union has asked all members to stopwork for the day. As the Junior Class teacher for this day will be stopping there will be no classes for these students. School for the Senior Class will run as normal. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause but teachers of this union believe they are protesting for reasons that are important to staff, students and schools.

ALLERGIES – PLEASE AVOID SENDING NUTS TO SCHOOL

Just a reminder – we do have a child at school with a serious allergy to nuts (anaphylaxis). We do ask that you do not send any foods to school that contain nuts.

STAWELL INTERCHURCH NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Stawell Interchurch Netball Association is holding a Junior Netball Coaching Clinic with Geva Mentor and Micaela Wilson from the Melbourne Vixens.

To be held : Sunday 9th September 11.00am to 1.00pm

Cost: \$10.00 Participant

Registration Forms can be picked up and dropped back with registration money at Stawell Sportpower.

Clinic open to all Under 11 and Under 15 Stawell and District netball players including those that have recently been involved in the Net-Set-Go Program.

Any questions please contact Kelly Cosson (President SINA on 0400 584890).

STAWELL STINGRAYS – SWIMMING CLUB



DISCO

Friday the 14th of Sept
6:30 - 8:00pm

**PRIMARY SCHOOL AGE ONLY
(PREP–GRADE SIX)**

Where: Stawell Community Health Building
-Patrick St Stawell.
Enter :Stawell Library end of building.

Entry = \$5:00 pp

Glow sticks, drinks and snacks available to purchase.

***Children will be fully supervised and no pass outs will be available.**

Stawell Stingrays Swimming Club

GRAMPIANS WILDLIFE ARTS FESTIVAL 2012



GRAMPIANS WILDLIFE ARTS FESTIVAL, 2012 PAVEMENT ART DAY



Do you love drawing and do you love animals and flowers?

Come and join “Chalk Circle” artists Bev and Diana Isaac for a day of pastels, pavement and pretty pictures celebrating the beautiful things living with us in our world.

It's family fun for kids (of all sizes and ages) and all the materials are supplied for a gold coin donation.

LET'S FILL THE GAP WITH COLOURS

UNDER THE SAILS IN HALLS GAP

SUNDAY, SEPT. 2nd 10am- 2pm

CALENDAR

OTHER DATES FOR THE CALENDAR

Wednesday 12 th September	Rural Schools Transition Day 2 Stawell Secondary School – for students attending in 2013
Thursday 13 th September	School Council
Monday 17 th September	Rural Schools Transition Day 3 Stawell Secondary School – for students attending 2013
Tuesday 18 th September	School Photos
Thursday 20 th September	MARC
Friday 21 st September	Last Day Term 3, school dismissal 2.30pm
Tuesday 9 th – Thursday 17 th October	Somers Camp (6 students registered)
Thursday 11 th – Friday 12 th October	Out There Camp years 3&4
Friday 26 th October	Community Breakfast 8.00am
Friday 26 th October	Northern Grampians Headlice checks
Monday 5 th – Friday 9 th November	Canberra Camp years 5/6 students
Thursday 15 th – Friday 16 th November	Out There Camp years 5&6