Dear Families,

- **Woodleigh**: For the past four years, Woodleigh School has supported us in many ways. They have donated musical instruments, art easels and blocks as well as much time and support. Each year a team of students has helped us plant out sections of our garden.

For the past few Novembers our years 5 & 6 students have stayed at Woodleigh School for two nights (all funded by Woodleigh) and been involved in transition to secondary school type activities. This year's dates for that 'camp' are Wednesday November 6th to Friday November 8th.

Each December a group of Woodleigh students have come to stay with us for a week and planned activities to do with each grade. This year that will happen from Sunday December 1st through to Thursday December 5th.

We really value our relationship with this school and look forward to our interactions with them over the next couple of months.

http://woodleigh.vic.edu.au
• **Years 3-6 Camp:**
We have a great week of activities planned for next week and are really looking forward to working together in a different setting for the week. I have been following the weather report for Airey's Inlet for the past few weeks and, like here, it has changed often. Earlier this week I was thinking we would be having a week of warm 20-22 degree days and maybe a sprinkle of rain on Friday. The most recent forecast is for temperatures of 17 and 18 degrees and a couple of showers most days.
We will need to make sure we have a few changes of footwear, layers of clothing and a rain jacket and sunhat—prepared for all seasons!

• **Prep—2 Camping Program:**
Plans are underway for our Prep to Year 2 children to spend a day of outdoor, adventure and environmental activities on Friday December 6th. We will come to school in our pyjamas and have breakfast and then head to The Gums camping area for the activities. The Year 2 students will then have dinner and a sleepover at school. More detailed information to come.

• **Maths workshops:**
Would you like the opportunity to find out more about how we teach Maths?
What sorts of things do our students currently learn in Maths?
How do we cater for different abilities within the same classroom?
What is the place of concrete materials? Technology?
Tim Hemsworth, together with some of our students will conduct information / workshop sessions for parents on:
1. **Tuesday October 29th 9.15-10.15a.m [different content - attend both if you can]** and
2. **Tuesday November 12th 9.15-10.15a.m**
These sessions will be geared towards answering your questions as well as sharing information.

• **Poetry:**
Well done to Ben S who has been awarded a prize for the poem he wrote for the Water Watch Competition.
Our students have all been writing wonderful poetry recently. Some examples have been entered in the Whittlesea Show. We will include some in upcoming Newsletters.
• **Poetry:**
  Many of our current and past students have had poetry that they wrote last year published in a book, “Going The Long Way Home.”
  We have a few copies in the Library if you have time to peruse them, they are well worth the read.

• **Remembrance Day:**
  Our school Remembrance Day ceremony will be conducted on Tuesday November 12th at 11.00 am this year. This will enable our friends from the Whittlesea RSL to attend their own ceremony and still join us for ours. All welcome!

• **Operation Christmas Child:** This year we will again be supporting the Samaritan's Purse International Relief Operation Christmas Child. Each class will choose the gender and age of a child to receive the shoebox full of appropriate items. Class members are then asked to donate items to fill the box. They then get sent to orphans and vulnerable children in Asia. These items need to be at school ready for sending away before October 31st.
  You can find out more about this project on the website: http://operationchristmaschild.org.au
  Notes from each grade in relation to this will go home this week.

• **Reminder:** NAPLAN results have been delivered to school. Parents of students in Years 3 and 5 are asked to make a short meeting time with their child’s teacher to collect and go through these.

• **Dates for your calendar:**
  Monday November 4th is a Curriculum Day—a pupil free day. Teachers will be working on documenting our Inquiry Units of work. Tuesday November 5th is a public holiday for Melbourne Cup Day.
  At our School Council Meeting on Tuesday night, we set the end of year **School Concert for Monday December 16th and Year 6 Graduation for Thursday December 19th.**
  Last day of school year is Friday December 20th

• **Regional Athletics:**
  Well done Elly. A wonderful achievement yesterday in the Regional Athletics. 3rd in Long Jump (Bronze Medal) and 6th in Triple Jump.
Science Talent Search:

As you know, our School submitted 26 entries in the Science Talent Search. This is the first time we have been involved with this project. The topic fitted in with our Science inquiry Unit on Aussie Inventions.

There was a large range of work completed by our students. Prep/1 Faulwetter and 1-3 Hallam completed a whole class project and students in Ms Somers class and Mr Hemsworth’s class worked individually or with partners to present working models, creative writing or wall charts related to the invention that they researched.

Some students attended MLC and explained their work to the judges on a Saturday morning.

We thank Manju who suggested we enter the Science Talent Search and for her constant encouragement and support. We also thank the Manningham Branch of Rotary who paid for our entry fees.

Last week we received notification of the following results:
1 x Minor Bursary (to the value of $34): Matt and Jacob’s Corrugated Iron Tank;
13 x Merits including the Prep/1 class Ute project and the Year 1-3 Cochlear Implant project; Kade and Jayden’s Duel Flush Toilet model; Aaron’s Didgeridoo Creative Writing; Erica and Chris’s Corrugated Iron Tank model; Lauren and Meg’s Coolgardie Safe model; Mitchell and Antonio’s Victa Lawn Mower model; Ben’s Victa Lawn Mower wall chart; Olivia’s Braces wall chart; Aaron and Sam’s AFL wall chart; Brihana and Asha’s Hills hoist wall chart; Elly & Remi’s Ute wall chart and Shannyn and Rhiannon’s Ute wall chart.

This has been a great effort with wonderful learning by all students.

Matt and Jacob will now go to Latrobe Uni to collect their prize and share their learning with a new audience.

Until next week
Take Care
Janette
Middle Mates: We continue to implement our social skills program which focuses on those social skills which we have identified to best support the development of our students. Each week we highlight a particular social skill across the whole school.

This term our focus will incorporate aspects of Integrity and Cooperation, then Optimism and Courage.

Our focus for this week has been: “Optimism: Positive Tracking”

We continue with this focus next week during the Years 3-6 camp as well.

⇒ A ‘positive tracker’ is someone who looks mostly for the good things in themselves, in what happens in their lives and in other people.

⇒ A ‘negative tracker’ is someone who looks mostly for the bad things.

⇒ People who are positive trackers cope better, are liked more, have higher self-esteem and are more successful in their work lives and relationships.

⇒ Incorporated into this focus is the idea of mindfulness. Mindfulness is about focussing on the here and now, rather than getting caught up thinking about the past or worrying about the future. This is an ability that we can all develop with practice. Mindfulness meditations are an effective way of teaching us to pay attention, to be aware of and acknowledge our present thoughts and actions. www.smilingmind.com has a free online Mindfulness program. It is also available as an app

It is possible to become more of a positive person.
Congratulations to two grades with the least amount of waste last Friday: Grades 1-3H and 3-6S. Well done! Our whole school waste was 32g – an excellent result. Can we do as well this week? Thank you to those families who minimize waste on a regular basis.

This week’s results:

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Remember, every Friday is Nude Food Friday. No packaging please.

Cartridges 4 Planet Ark / Mobile Phone Muster

Please remember, at MKPS we are an official site for the collection of ink cartridges and mobile phones for recycling. Bring in any type to the office and we will send them off for recycling. Thank you, Karen Faulwetter

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PFA:

Next Meeting: Monday October 28th: 2.30pm

Lemonade Icy-Poles Wednesdays:
Next term we will have icy-pole Wednesdays. $1.00.
If you are able to assist please add your name to the roster at the Office.

Shopping Tour:
This Saturday, October 19th: Shopping Tour departs school at 7.00am and return at 6.30pm
We will be visiting the following outlets: Natio; Candy n Stripes; Dianna Ferrarri; Sporting House Direct; Specialty Nuts; The Linen Factory; Bambis; Classica; Beaches; Social Books; Breville and Bonds. There are still a few seats available.
Contact the Office if you’d like to join us.

Photos:
We have made up a photo book of school events and happenings.
We’d like to make some more! If you have some photos which may contribute to this, could you please send them on a USB for us to copy?
Thanks

Second Hand Uniform: Thanks to those families who have sent along items for second hand clothing. PFA will have these items set up on Friday afternoon from 2.15—3.45.

Whittlesea Show Fundraising Events for PFA:
Shed Sweeping: Friday October 25th: Please leave your name and contact details on the Roster at the Office if you are able to help.
Sponsors’ Tent: Making Coffee and ensuring the sponsors have enough to eat. We require 2 or 3 people to help for 3 hour shifts on each of the Saturday and Sunday.
This is a great social way of helping. Both activities are always a lot of fun.
Again—there is a roster at the Office for you to record your times available. Thanks
Kinglake Ranges Arts and
Rotary Club of Kinglake Ranges

2013
Ranges Art Show
of Colour

October 26 to 27 - 10 am to 4 pm
Middle Kinglake Primary School, Extons Road, Kinglake Central

Gala opening Friday October 25 - 7.30 pm onwards
Cost $15 per head - Student/Concession $10 includes supper and drinks

Exhibits for sale include paintings, drawings, glass, ceramics, pottery, sculpture, jewellery, photography, textiles and timber works

Entry forms or enquiries - please contact
Phone - Michelle Stewart (KRA) 0427 727 242
Email - Robyn Timms admin@kinglakeartsalliance.com.au
Every night there are 105,000 people in Australia who don't have a safe place to call home

**KINGLAKE RANGES SLEEPOUT**

Saturday 26th October till Sunday 27th October

6:00pm - 10am

Elimatta Youth Centre
- 94 Whittlesea Kinglake Road, Kinglake

$10

Sleepout and enjoy food and a movie
(You must be over 18 to Sleepout)

Email us at dvrotaract@gmail.com to book a place

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Join us for a fun night with all the latest hits!

Additional drinks and chips available to purchase.

Admission includes one drink and chips per child.

Cost: $20.00 per family
$10.00 per child

Time: 7:00pm - 9:00pm

When: Friday 22nd November

Where: Whitleesz Kingslake Road

Where: Elinmata Youth Space

Kinglake Ranges Disco
(Dress Up Theme)

Favourite Band / Singer

To attend the Kinglake Ranges Force night all primary school age children from across the Kinglake Ranges invites all primary school age

Friday Night at 7pm
See You There!

Pop-A-Gallon Prizes

Food

Major Raffle Draw & 2nd Prize

Pre-Purchase Your Raffle Tickets

Kids Alley

Time - 11AM - 3PM

Where - Sacred Heart Primary School Oval

Date - Sunday October 20th 2013

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Starting When & Where?
Monday 28th October 2013 for six Monday mornings
From 9.30am - 12.00noon
In the Children’s Services room behind Seymour Pre-School
(Enter via Beta Street), Seymour

Total Cost: $20.00 (Concession available)
Cost covers program handouts and morning tea
Bookings are essential as places are limited

To register or for further information contact Lindi Leddin
Tel: 0458 886870