Congratulations to Ebony Fox for her outstanding achievements with the Australian Dancing Society. Ebony has been successful in the dances of *The Pride of Erin*, *Samba* and *Social Salsa* receiving the Rosette Award. She also received an encouragement award to continue dancing. It is fantastic to hear stories of our students participating in activities outside of school. Well done Ebony!

If you know of anyone involved in our school community that is achieving in their chosen interest please let me know so we can celebrate it as a whole school community.

In the coming weeks fees, booklists and all things associated with 2013 pack will be sent home. If there is anything that you are unsure of please contact Helen or I as soon as possible.

Tomorrow is the first exam for our year 12 students – English – which marks the beginning of the end of their formal schooling years. We wish them all the best with their studies and I have no doubt that all of them will give every one of their exams 100% effort. After speaking to them all recently they are extremely excited about this time of the year but also a little nervous, they have been a lovely group of students to get to know and continue to amaze with their talents in sport, creativity and hospitality. I look forward to seeing them move on and start their life after school.

With the weather heating up I advise all parents/guardians to encourage your child to put sunscreen on each morning before they arrive at school. The UV rating over the past few weeks has been extreme, our hat policy is enacted on these days and we supply sunscreen during our PE classes and other activities that are conducted outside but it has been recommended by the *Cancer Council of Australia* that as part of our morning routine we apply sunscreen.

Also as we know this time of the year SNAKES are on the move, all the students have been made aware of what to do if they see a snake in the school grounds. All students MUST wear closed in shoes at all times for safety reasons.
Fantastic Scholastic Reverse Draw
Congratulations to all involved in the organisation of Werrimull P-12 and the Millewa Pre-School’s first Fantastic Scholastic Reverse Draw! A special mention must go to Charlotte Harmer for getting the idea off the ground, Toni Douglas for her tireless work and Chris Douglas for controlling proceedings on the night. I know many other people played a part in the organisation of the fundraiser - thank you and well done! It was pleasing to see many of our school and kindergarten families there on the night, without the support of the whole school community these events would not be a success.

Grade 5 & 6 Camp
Students from Werrimull, Koorlong, Nangiloc and Red Cliffs East are enjoying some warm weather at Lake Cullulleraine this week. Thanks to Miss Smith for attending yesterday in my absence. I look forward to the remainder of the camp. Please note that parents/guardians must pick their child up between 1pm and 1.30pm Friday.

Pupil Free Day
On the pupil free day (next Monday) all staff, including new staff for 2013, will be learning about the impending changes to the curriculum. From the beginning of 2013 all English, Mathematics, Science and History teachers will be expected to use the new AusVELS framework to direct their teaching. Although AusVELS will impact the way teachers plan and report for the four subjects mentioned, the content will not vary greatly.

As a staff we will also continue exploring the personalised learning approach, this was identified as a long term focus during the recent review. This new approach will be evident in 2013 as we re-structure both primary and secondary classes.

iPad 1-to-1 Program
The overwhelming support for the 1-to-1 iPad program has been pleasing. As outlined in a previous issue of the Pipeline, all grade 4 students will now be offered an iPad as part of the 1-to-1 lease rather than a netbook. The invitation was extended to all next year’s grade 4-6 students. A number of families with students in year 7 & 8 next year have indicated they would be interested in entering an iPad lease in 2013. Expressions of interest (explaining the program and future leasing options) will be sent home to all families with students in year 7 & 8 next year. If you have any questions regarding the program don’t hesitate to contact me at school.

MoneySmart Schools
Miss Smith and I will be facilitating a professional learning session at Werrimull P-12 School on Friday 9th November. Staff from Murrayville, Ouyen, Woomelang, Red Cliffs East and Werrimull will be learning about the new MoneySmart program. Some of the participants will travel to Werrimull for the event while others will receive the training via the Polycom video conferencing system.

Motorcycle Safety
Friday’s motorcycle safety session was a success. The feedback from all P-7 students has been positive. The facilitator was quite impressed with the students’ knowledge of motorcycling.

Farewell to Krystal
Krystal Talbot successfully completed her 3 week practicum last Friday. Miss Rankin and the P-3 students ensured it was a day she wouldn’t forget as they celebrated Halloween. On behalf of the staff and students at Werrimull P-12 School I would like to thank Krystal for her time and wish her luck with the remainder of her studies.
Hello again folks. 38C today! What a scorcher! Well it’s not like it hasn’t been hotter but it did come a bit out of the blue. Please do take care of yourself in this hot weather. Keep hydrated, sunscreen and shaded as much as possible. And I do hear that the Joe Blake’s are on the move so keep an eye out in that regard as well.

With the weather turning we certainly know that it is coming to the end of the year. The Year 12’s have their last day of SwotVac today, begin their exams tomorrow and the teachers are making judgements on the awards to be presented at the end of the year. Along with these presentations come the announcement of next year’s School Captains, House Captains and Primary Leaders. But before that can happen we have to accept applications and have elections!

Over the last few years Werrimull P-12 School has worked very hard to put in place an effective and authentic school leader process, and this year will be no exception. Primary leaders can come from Grades 5 or 6 which means this year’s 4s and 5s can apply. House Captains must be in years 9, 10, 11 or 12 so this year’s year 8s to 11s can apply. School Captains must come from the VCE class and so this year’s Year 10s and 11s can apply.

All applicants must provide an application letter, curriculum vitae and at least one written reference from a non family member. Full details of the requirements will be provided to the students in the week to come.

The school has made a concerted effort to ensure that its leaders gain skills and knowledge from the application process and that they understand that being elected as a school leader is much more than a simple popularity contest. Our leaders are required to work with the SRC, make presentations at assembly, represent the school both in and out of the school and to liaise with the school Principal and staff on various matters. The leadership positions are not to be taken lightly.

I encourage you to talk with your child/ren about the possibility of applying for a leadership position.

Students are also reminded that the anonymous “Wellbeing Box” is set up in the library and that students can contact me through that should they require it. I can also be contacted on my email at morrison.kelly.j@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at the school if you would like any assistance or more information on this.

Be Well

Kelly Morrison

Wellbeing Coordinator
On Thursday 18\textsuperscript{th} October we went to the Mildura Show.

First we went to the toilet and then we were put into groups. Then we went to the art work. We saw Claudia’s, Kaitlin’s, Luke’s and Daniel’s art work. Next we looked at the cake decorating. I liked the tractor cake. Then we watched the pig race and we looked at the animals. At lunch we saw the V8 utes. They were loud. Finally we saw the Cool + Kids concert.

My favourite things were the V8s and the pig race. I had a good day at the Show, but I got very tired.

By Lucy Pickering.
Dates to Remember

October
5+6 Camp Lake Cullulleraine 29th-2nd Nov

November
Unit 4 Exams 1st – 16th November
Pupil Free day 5th November
Melbourne Cup 6th November
School Council 28th November
P-4 Sleep over 29th November

December
Primary ballet excursion 6th December
Flying start week 10th-14th December
School Council 12th December
Activity Day 17th December
Awards & Concert 18th December
Reports go home 18th December
School starts 2013 Thursday 31st January

Just a Reminder
As it’s a departmental requirement for students that are absent, a parent or guardian needs to fill in an absentee note (green note) as soon as the student returns to school. These need to be brought up to the office for Mrs Wright to enter on Cases21

School Lunch orders are available this Wednesday & Thursday at the Hotel

Werrimull P-12 School
Requires
Student Aide 1 Day per fortnight
ES 1 - 1
9th November - 7th December 2012
For further details contact
Erin Fush – Principal
03 50281251
Closes 26th October 2012

Happy Birthday
Belated Birthday
Michael Impey 23rd October
Remembrance Day Poppies

Poppies for Remembrance Day will be available for purchase at the School this year from now until Remembrance Day. Thankfully my brother made it home safely from his overseas deployment but there have been many Australians over the years who have not. If you would like to purchase a poppy and support the RSL’s Remembrance Day Appeal, please come and see me.

Thank-you,

Caroline Smith
What’s Happening

A huge thank-you to everyone who supported our Fantastic Scholastic Reverse Draw, we had a wonderful night last Friday and hopefully raised a lot of money for both the Millewa Pre-School and Werrimull P-12 School. We had a huge range of spot prizes on the night donated by many businesses and individuals in the wider community and I would also like to thank them for their support. The children’s art auction was very successful and if you managed to walk away with a masterpiece or two, congratulations!

Last Thursday during our Partnership Program the K-3s very proudly made Coconut Chocolate Biscuit Balls (aka Rumballs) for supper during the Reverse Draw. Well done on your fantastic teamwork during the activity.

In the coming months you will receive a new enrolment pack for 2013 - from Werrimull P-12 School if your child will be in Prep next year or from the Millewa Pre-School if your child will be in four year old kindergarten. The enrolment packs will contain additional information as requested and build upon feedback received through surveys to try and improve our enrolment process.

As the weather is warming up and the UV level is rising we will once again be wearing hats every day and sunscreen when appropriate. Please ensure that your child wears appropriate clothing as thongs and singlets are not suitable for kindergarten.

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Shared Snack Ideas

- Fruit
- Vegetables
- Cheese
- Dry biscuits
- Dried fruit

Water

Please remember to pack a drink bottle for your child every day. As the weather warms up it is even more important to stay hydrated throughout the day to stay healthy.