Firstly I must say a big thanks to the staff, students and community for last week, I was unable to be at work for majority of the week due to my daughter being very sick and the support I received from everyone was greatly appreciated.

We are currently in the middle of reports, exam preparation and end of semester wind-up, it is a very busy time for staff and students and it is important for everyone to keep both physically and mentally healthy. Balancing our workload with exercise and socialising is important and keeping hydrated is a must. Even though the weather has turned cold ALL students are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school with them and have on their desk. For study techniques visit the school website to help support you through your exams.

PARENT-TEACHER-STUDENT INTERVIEWS ARE SCHEDULED FOR THE 15TH JUNE 2012. ALL PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT BY FRIDAY 8TH JUNE TO SEE THE TEACHERS ABOUT YOUR CHILD’S PROGRESS. Students are only expected at school for their appointment times on this day.

This is a reminder to our primary parents to pack a spare of jocks or undies in your child’s school bag for emergencies. The school has spare undies and jocks but lately we have had a run of accidents and there are times where we do not have spare ones to give therefore if all students have an emergency pair in their bag it will solve all problems.
Hello again folks on this cold and miserable day. Sources tell me that there have been yabbies going up on the Darling, so this weekend I’m going to go up and have a look for myself. My father said to me on the weekend that he was a bit yabbied, since last year. But I say there isn’t any such condition. Not as far as I am concerned anyway.

I had a student ask me today when the next lot of Work Experience is due. I told him that I wasn’t sure but it is scheduled to be in Term 4. He wanted to know so that he could start organising his second block of W.E. for the year. That got me to thinking. First of all I have to lock in the dates so that students can get an early jump on it, but secondly, it was a reminder to me to give a reminder to you about several things.

Subject selection for next year will be on us before you know it. Year’s 8, 9, 10 and 11 will have to choose subjects for the next year, with the new Year 9’s choosing electives for the first time; the new Year 10’s choosing a VET or VCE subject; and the VCE students constructing a course that will best suit their chosen pathways which may include VCE, VET and VCAL subjects.

This is a very important time for both students and parents. Of course, whilst subject selections at year 9 and 10 level may not have a dramatic effect on student pathways, they do serve to give students a background and make them prepared for senior studies in similar subjects. It also gives them a taste of what they may or may not want to do in their senior studies, both of which is of equal value.

Subject selection in the VCE years does have a somewhat more profound effect on student pathways and as such is worthy of time being taken to do so. It is important here to consider what likes, or even dislikes the student has and especially if there are any subject prerequisites for University acceptance that need to be considered. Research show that if a student is to do well at school, they need to have a passion for their subject. If all goes all and with a bit of luck you may just get recruited before graduating University.

Subject selection can be a confusing time. I urge you to attend our course selection evening where most of your questions will be answered and to ask the teachers about the courses being offered.

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
## Dates to Remember

### June
- **Pupil free Day**: 8th June
- **Public Holiday**: 11th June
- **Parent, Teacher Student interviews**: 15th June
- **9-12 Exams**: 18th June
- **School Council**: 20th June
- **Students return from Alpine School**: 23rd June
- **Flying Start**: 25th – 28th June
- **Xmas in June**: 29th June
- **Last Day of Term 2**: 29th June, 2.00pm Finish

## 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 from the Hotel.

## Snow Camp

To be paid in full no later than Friday 12th June 2012.
Dear Students,

You’re invited to take part in Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea, one of Australia’s largest fundraising events for Cancer Council. This is your opportunity to help raise money for the cancer research.

**Details of the morning tea are as follows:**

Students that would like to receive a cup of Milo, please bring a gold coin donation to help go towards this great cause.

**When:** Wednesday June 6 @ Recess

**Why:** Raise money for the Cancer Council

**Where:** Werrimull P-12 School, The Cookery Room

Thank you Carlie Symes

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Sunraysia Community Health Services, Community Dental Program welcomes:

- All Children 0 – 17 covered by a current Healthcare Card or Pensioner Concession Card. - **No Charge for services**
- Children 0-12 not covered by Concession Cards.
  - **$30.00 fee for a course of care**
  - **$25 for an emergency appointment**

No waiting list for under 18 year olds

For an appointment, please phone 50210944.

Location: Corner 13th Street and Deakin Avenue, Mildura
Just a reminder to put this date on the calendar (if it is not already there!). Please keep telling your friends and family. Tickets will be on sale early next month.

WCS Reunion
Prep 1962 – prep 1982:
Including all those that came and went from these year levels - including all Meringur students

Saturday October 6^{th}, 2012

TOUR OF SCHOOL
2pm with afternoon tea to follow

NIGHT EVENT
6pm – 12.30am
Werrimull Pub
Food included in ticket price, drinks at bar prices

Tickets on sale July 1^{st} to September 10^{th}

A link for on-line ticketing will be sent out soon!!

Pre-sold tickets only - no ticket, no entry
Camping facilities available on WCS Oval

SUNDAY 7^{th} OCTOBER
Millewa Pioneer Park Family Fun Day
www.millewapioneerpark.org.au

More detailed information to come
What’s Happening

In the next few weeks I will be including excerpts from the Welcome to Early Childhood Publication. We are attempting to get copies of this publication to send home, in the meantime I hope you find this information interesting.

Your child’s world is expanding and so are their skills and knowledge. All children develop at different rates. However, in this age range there are some skills that are especially important for your child’s self-esteem and learning. For example, being able to speak clearly is important in order to be understood by others.

You can support your child’s learning by:
• encouraging them to explore, experiment and try things
• talking about what is happening and encouraging your child to talk
• finding out answers to questions together
• reminding your child of events that have happened
• making suggestions about imaginary play, for example asking ‘What would it be like to be small like a mouse?’, or providing props to use for play
• sharing songs, stories and rhymes, both new ones and old favourites

Dates to Remember

5th June    Library Day
7th June    Partnership visit to Kinder
19th June   Library Day
25th June   Last week of Term 2
28th June   Partnership visit to School

Shared Snack Ideas

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

Please remember to pack a drink bottle for you child every day. The weather is still warm and even in Winter we need to drink lots of water.