ARE YOU ON THE BUS?

On the 13th June 2014 the whole of Mildura Primary School will be attending a screening of the new Lego Movie as a part of our attendance initiative.

If your child is at school everyday or have explained the reason for their absences they will be guaranteed a seat on the bus. You can notify the office when your child is away or on their return to school send them with a yellow slip explaining the reason for their absence. Yellow slips can be obtained from the front office or your child’s grade teacher. Our goal is to have every child attend, so please encourage your child to be at school everyday.

The movie is rated PG and will need parent consent for your child to attend. Please keep an eye out for the permission note due out next week.

You Can Do It!

Organisation

09.05.14
PB-Oscar Hill
PO-Hanna Robinson
PS-Reco Murray-Lawson
1N-Nye-Ann Tulakiono
1S-Tyler Crossley
1/2M-Bailey Harvey
2C-Sione Moimol
2M-Andre Kafkoudas-Bennett
3A-Noah Holmyard
3B-Crystal Rata-Godden
3/4C-Sofu Kolo
4B-Montanna Wright
4N-Julian Graham
5H-Fab Handy
5S-Pepe Muava
5/6E-Geof Kafkoudas-Bennett
6B-Mekhi Scambler
6K-Makenzie Cochrane

16.05.14
PB-Nelle-Ann Tafa
PO-David Nzitunga
PS-Ty Green
1N-Morgan Sampson
1S-Marlon Sampson
1/2M-Jarrah Mehrtens-Williams
2C-Malanie Diaper
2M-Neil Wyld
3A-Elijah Siiata
3B-Olivia Hagen
3/4C-Shakayla Mitchell
4B-Brittney Paisley
4N-Raymond Davies
5H-
5S-Zac Simmonds
5/6E-Gabby Lawson
6B-Leah Graham
6K-
The 2014 Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge has started

Last year over 220,000 Victorian students read more than 4 million books!

Hopefully this year’s Challenge will inspire even more children and young adults than ever before to foster a love of reading, and to promote the importance of reading among students in our school and to encourage families and parents to be more involved with supporting their children’s reading in and beyond school.

The Challenge is not just about reading in English. The Challenge is open to reading in any language. Students can read, or be read to, children’s stories in other languages.

The Premiers Reading Challenge consent forms have been sent out this term, please fill in and return them to school. Ask Mrs Ferry in the library for a consent form if you need one. Students only need to be read to or read 15-30 books between April to September to receive a Certificate of Achievement.

Remember: the more we read, the better we get at it!

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It’s cool to be at school... It’s not OK to be away!
Rugby and Girls AFL Interschool Sport

Congratulations to our Rugby team and the Girls AFL Football team!
Both teams were successful in reaching the Division finals that will be held at the end of Term 2.

The Boys Rugby team defeated Mildura West, 8 tries to 2 in game 1. Scorers were Charlie, Karl, Terrence, Junior, Lorenzo, Pau’La, Fui and Callum. In game 2 against Ranfurly, the boys ran in 9 tries to 3. Charlie scored 3 while Karl, Koli, Pau’La, Fui, Junior and Kaylem all scored 1 each. Game 3 was against Mildura South and the boys scored 6 tries to 1. Karl scored 2 while Junior, Fui, Koli and Mitchell scored 1 each. In the Grand Final against Ranfurly the boys managed 9 tries to 3. Charlie and Callum scored 2 tries and Mitchell, Lorenzo, Fui, Kaylem and Junior scored 1 each. Throughout all the games the boys displayed great defense as well as hard attacking. Well Done to Charlie Berry for being awarded player of the day and Lorenzo for displaying the best sportsmanship.

The Girls Footy team defeated Ranfurly in game 1 scoring 5.5.35 to Ranfurly’s 2.2.14. In game 2, the girls defeated Mildura South. MPS scored 6.5.41 to South’s 4.1.25. In the last game against Mildura West, MPS girls won 6.5.41 to Westies 3.3.21.

Initially we didn’t have the number for a girls footy team. I’m very proud that a few more girls decided to show some courage and have a go and trained hard. The girls footy skills have improved quickly. Great kicking for goal, marking and tackling were some features of their game.

They’re back…

Head lice are common in school-aged children and are the most adaptable of creatures. They have survived living solely on humans for 10,000 years. You may be reassured to know that they are commonly found in places other than Mildura primary school.

Some of the reasons they have survived for as long as they have are:

The six legs of a louse end in a claw, allowing them to grip the hair.
They detect vibration and can hide - (conditioner will help fix this problem)
Head lice can ‘hold’ their breath for 20 mins – looking like they are dead.
The eggs are attached to the hair with a ‘glue’ like substance. Studies conducted on 45 different products to dissolve the ‘glue’ showed nothing would dissolve it.

The good news…

We know where they live and we know how to find them.
If you follow these steps, once a week, the control of head lice in your home will be greatly improved.

Step 1 Comb inexpensive hair conditioner on to dry, brushed (detangled) hair. This makes it difficult for lice to grip the hair or run around;
Step 2 Wipe the conditioner from the comb onto a paper towel or tissue;
Step 3 Look on the tissue and on the comb for lice and eggs;
Step 4 If lice or eggs are found, the child should be treated;
Step 5 If the child has been treated recently and only hatched eggs are found, you may not have to treat since the eggs could be from the old infection.

If your child has head lice – tell anyone who has had head to head contact with them and ask them to check their family for head lice.
Healthy Snack Recess

Last Friday, the 16th of May the Stronger Smarter Kitchen Garden group ran a healthy snack recess break. The students prepared healthy snacks of pumpkin chips, roast zucchini, cut up oranges, tomatoes, radishes and cucumber as well as mandarin’s. Students from all grades were then invited to have a snack and participate in some healthy food awareness puzzle’s and colouring ins.
The Kitchen Garden group ran this event as a part of the Jamie Oliver Ministry of Food, Food Revolution event competition. Mildura Primary School was lucky enough to win one of the consolation prizes. Congratulations to the students who organised and ran the event, and thankyou to the sponsors of the event for their donations of produce.

Is your child interested in playing sport? Maybe they would like to learn an instrument? Or have a go at Guides or Scouts?

Are you worried your family budget won’t stretch that far? The Chances Connecting Kids with Community Fund provides funding to eligible applicants so that kids can ‘have a go’ at an after school activity.
Please contact Lesley Cordoma on 5021 4789 for more information.

Level 1 Basketball Coaches Course
Conducted by the Mildura Basketball Association @ the Toyota Hothouse
Thursday August 21st & 28th from 6pm – 9pm
Cost is $100 per person and registrations can be made at www.bvcc.net.au
Please call 5023 2241 for more details.

For the first time ever – we are coming to Mildura to run our special unique cartooning program for the local children in Mildura.
The program runs for two days over a weekend – Saturday May 24th & Sunday May 25th.
Please find attached our brochures and photos for your perusal.

- Enjoy some quality grown-up time while the kids play games, dress up and learn drawing skills from a professional cartoonist.
- Children do not need to have any prior drawing skills.
- Tuition by a professional cartoonist.
- Art materials are provided.
- All senior staff have Working With Children checks.
Grade 5/6 Canberra 2014

Day one
On the 28/4 we went to Canberra. We had to be at school at 6.30am, way to early! We left at 7.14am our first stop was at Balranald for morning tea. It was great to have a stretch and a run about. Then we hopped back on the bus and headed down the highway once more. We travelled to Narrandera for lunch and we had a play. The best thing on the playground was the flying fox. After that we got back on the bus again and continued. A further 2 hours later we stopped at Gundagai for a toilet stop and a photo with the famous dog on the tuckerbox. When we finally got to Canberra we were very hungry and tired. But we also were feeling very excited. We were staying at the Carotel Caravan Park. We went straight to dinner on the first night we had roast chicken, rice and veggies.

Day two
7.00am, Breakfast, mmmmm yummy bacon and eggs. Great start to the day!!
9.00am We went to the War memorial and learnt about all the wars Australia has fought in. We saw lots of things to do with war. There were things like what they had to eat, guns, old planes and subs.
At 12.30pm we stopped for Lunch. Everyone was starving but the salad rolls were awesome!
At 1.00pm we went to the CSIRO and we did a science project. We did a DNA experiment on peas and more fun and cool things.
At 3.00pm we went to the National Museum. This was really fun we got to watch a movie on the history of Australia and the floor moved it was cool. After that we had a look around at all the other exhibitions. After we had a look around we went to the gift shop and lots of people bought things.
When then went back to our accommodation. At 7.30pm we had tea and it was yummy. It was spaghetti Bolognese! When we got back to cabin we were allowed to play a game on the oval. I was running and Zac came out of nowhere and I screamed and started crying in shock because I was laughing too much. It was a great game.

Day 3
7.30am breakfast another cooked breakfast! Yummy!! After that we went back to our room for a clean-up.
At 9.00am we went to the National Film & Sounds Archive. We learnt about old films and we saw many films like Ned Kelly, Dumb ways to die and how people set this tape on fire and lots more.
At 11.00am we went to the National Gallery of Australia we saw loads of paintings, sculptures, prints, photographe, drawings and decorative pieces it was awesome.
At 12.00pm we had lunch.
At 1.30pm we went to the Museum of Australian Democracy at Old Parliament house. When we got there we had to put on gloves and we went into this room and there we learnt about the history Australian Democracy. It was very interesting.
Whilst we were there did a role play and we got to get dressed up. It was really good fun.
At 4.00/4.30pm we went Electoral education centre. We got to have a vote and learnt how to vote. It was interesting to learn all about the electoral system.
After dinner we went ice-skating and it was fun because we fell over! A lot!! Was great fun and one of the highlights. When we got back to the Carotel motel we went and had a shower and went to bed.

Day 4
We had breakfast then we had a clean-up at 9.00 we went to Questacon and we learnt about science. They had a 6.1m free fall it was awesome! There were so many hands on science experiments it was great fun!
At 12pm we had lunch. Another yummy lunch!
At 1.00pm we went to Parliament House of Australia. What a massive place and very interesting. When we were in parliament we did a role play. Then after that we went and had a tour of the building. When we went past a fountain it was very loud it was so if anyone was going to listen to what people were saying they couldn’t hear them. Then we got something to eat, we got a bottle of water and a snack bar.
At 4.00pm we went to the Institute of sport we got to go and see some of the people that get to go to the Olympics. There were swimmers there training. Then we went and looked at the gymnastics centre but no one was in there. Then we went into a hands on activity room. There were things like basketball, rock climbing, snow boarding, sprinting, canoeing and bike racing games. It was so much fun.
We then went back to the motel and had dinner.

Day 5
We started the day at 5:30am and made the long journey home. Canberra was amazing and we all had a fantastic time. Huge thanks to all the teachers that gave up their time to make this such a wonderful learning experience.

By Leah Graham
We have been learning about how to write a description. We enjoyed describing the photos of the cute animals.

We have learnt about different cultures. We studied Afghanistan, including looking at food, clothing and the language used there.

In Science we have been learning lots of things about the Weather, including measuring the temperature and identifying different types of clouds.

We are practising poetry with Mrs Seiffert to get ready for the Eisteddfod! We enjoy using the interactive TV in our learning... thanks Mr Mitchell!

It’s cool to be at school...