Dear parents, students and friends of Willaura Primary School,

I am thrilled and honoured to announce to all of you, at Willaura Primary School, that I have been officially appointed as your Principal. After starting at your school in January, I have found you all to be a wonderful school community who are all focused on bringing out the best in your children and I am really looking forward to the learning they can achieve in the future with all of our combined support. We are all one big team in helping your children develop into well-rounded citizens of our community as they grow up. I am excited to be on this journey with all of you! Thank you for giving me this opportunity and thank you for your support since the beginning of the year, as the transition from the wonderful Sue to myself has been a big change for all of you. You have made me feel very welcome and have seemed to take it all in your stride. Thank you! This quote sums up my beliefs and I thought it would be good to share it.

Speaking of changes this year, we had our first ‘Student Led Conference’ on Wednesday and wow, what a positive experience that was! Our students worked very hard in the lead up to Wednesday to prepare for their conference and they showed remarkable confidence and maturity when sharing their learning with their families. It was great to see the day so well supported by every single family in our community and the best part is, you now know exactly what your child has learned so far this year and what they need to learn next! I spoke to many families following their conference and heard very positive feedback. The best comment I heard was ‘For the first time, I understand what my child is learning!’ We will be sending out a survey next week as we would love to hear your feedback on how we can improve for the next Student Led Conference. Thank you for your support in making this day a big success.

Snow Camp

Our Grade 4-6 students have their ‘Snow Camp’ at Mt Buller to look forward to on August 15th-18th this year. This includes 2 full days of skiing and having lessons up on the mountain. We will hold an information session at school on Tuesday 21st June at 5.30pm for all families. It will be very important that you attend so that we can explain costs involved, what is covered by the cost and what is not and anything else that is important to know.

We recently sent out a note to all Grades 3-6 students to find out their interest in having instrumental music lessons in school with Sandra Pope. We have had a few slips return and I wanted to ask all families to return their slips by next Thursday 9th June if your child is interested in lessons with Sandra. In the majority of cases, an instrument is available for your child to play. The instruments taught by Sandra are: violins, flutes, clarinets and brass instruments.

Many students were also interested in learning guitar. If there are any guitar teachers out there who may be interested in running a private tuition program at school, please get in contact.

If you have lost your expression of interest form, please email me or ring the school to let us know your interest.

Tammie Meehan
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TERM DATES 2016

Term 1 – 1st February—24th March
Term 2 – 11th April – 24th June
Term 3 – 11th July—16th September
Term 4 – 3rd October—20th December

Monday 13th June QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY

Tuesday 14th June Jon Madin Workshops at school – All students

Tuesday 14th June Jon Madin School Concert for Families and Friends – All students to attend 6.30pm at Willaura Memorial Hall

Thursday 23rd June Reports go home

Friday 24th June Final day of term – Final Assembly at 1.50pm All Welcome!
Concert with Jon Madin
WILLAURO PRIMARY
TUESDAY 14TH JUNE

PERFORMANCES FROM ALL GRADES
P-6
6.30PM-APPROX 7.30PM
WILLAURO MEMORIAL HALL
IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR BUS TRAVELLERS:
THERE IS TO BE NO EATING ON THE BUS. ONLY DRINKS OF WATER ARE ALLOWED.

Thankyou to all Dad’s who helped at the school ‘Wood Chop’. This was very successful and you were all brilliant! We have a lot of wood to sell now!

WOOD 4 SALE
SCHOOL FUNDRAISER
$100 PER TONNE

Please phone Nick:
0427541570
Or call the school:
53541401

Please bring thawed food, wrapped in foil and named.

Term 3 & 4 ~ 2016
Registrations are now OPEN
Get your registration form at the Ararat Fitness Centre, text or email me, return by Friday 24th June.
Phone Donna on 0427 521 074
or email ararat.redbacks@gmail.com

• Have fun
• Keep fit and healthy
• Make friends and develop social skills
• Learn new skills
• Develop Teamwork
• Enhance self esteem