Dear parents, students and friends of Willaura Primary School,

During the term, we have had a great opportunity to help the kinder students who will become our 2017 Prep students, begin their transition to the big primary school. Earlier in the term, the kinder children visited us and participated in a music session with the Grade Prep/One students. This was so much fun and they have begun building relationships with the Willaura PS students. We are planning to have at least three or more special visits this year, followed by the weekly visits in Term 4.

Jon Madin Workshops & School Concert

Jon Madin is visiting us next Tuesday 14th June and boy are we excited! He will be working with the students at the following times:

9am-11am: Grade 4-6
11.30-1pm: Grade Prep/One
1.50-3.10pm: Grade 2/3

All workshops will be held at the Willaura Memorial Hall and all parents are welcome to attend if you would like to play in the concert with your child. You are very welcome to join in! Trust me, it is so much fun!

Our School Musical Concert begins at 6.30pm at the Willaura Hall. All students will be expected to attend the concert, so that they can perform the songs that they learnt with Jon during the day to their families.

Please visit our school Facebook page to get the link to see our Newsletter in full colour!

www.facebook.com/willauraps/

Tammie Meehan
Principal

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

Dates for the family diary.....

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<td>Final Day of Term 2, Assembly – All families invited at 1.50pm (Choir Performance/Grade 2/3 Music Performance), Early Finish – 2.30pm</td>
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Firstly I’d like to thank all the parents who took the time to come in to the school last Wednesday for our student led conferences, hopefully you all enjoyed the new approach and now have an understanding of what the students have been doing this semester.

Today marks the occasion of our first “Big Write” day. The “Big Write” is an initiative we were introduced to at a professional development day in Warrnambool in May. Hopefully you all were shown the “Talk Homework” task around our persuasive writing task. As you are most likely aware, the topic is “City Vs Country” and the argument centres around which is better to live in. The “Talk Homework” provides an important part of the preparation as the students will begin to form their opinions/arguments as these conversations unfold. I look forward to sharing how this went in our next update!

In Numeracy lessons we have been taking part in an “Amazing Race” challenge. This is to enhance the students understanding of mapping, the use of legends and directions. The students had a great time mapping out directions around the school for each other to follow and it really allowed the students to immerse themselves in the activity.

Mr B
LUNCH ORDERS: IF YOUR CHILD WISHES TO HAVE SAUCE, PLEASE INCLUDE ON THEIR LUNCH ORDER. WE WILL NOT BE SUPPLYING SAUCE TO STUDENTS ON THURSDAYS. THANKS.

Mark is going to be selling Fruit Boxes on next Friday for recess. For $1 each.

Please bring $1 if you would like to buy one.

Money will go towards buying a new construction toy set.

Junior Basketball & Futsal

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

Volunteers from Willaura needed to assist during and after emergency events

EMERGENCY EVENT
When there is a fire, flood or other natural disaster, Grampians Community Health (GCH) works with local government and other agencies to support people in our communities who have been affected.

THE ROLE
GCH is looking for volunteers to help in the Northern Grampians, Rural City of Ararat and Pyrenees areas during and after an emergency event.

Note: Volunteers must complete a Police check and Working with Children check.

TRAINING
Volunteers will do valuable, initial and ongoing training and be part of a volunteer network group. They will also receive support and guidance from GCH staff about the role.

Ararat Training
- Session 1: 5:00pm – 9:30pm 20 June 2016
- Session 2: 5:00pm – 9:30pm 21 June 2016

Ararat Visitor Information Centre,
Meeting Room A, Ararat Railway Station,
High Street, Ararat.

WHO TO CONTACT
For more information or to sign up contact Tanya Blythman (available Mondays and Tuesdays) on 03 5368 7125 or t.blythman@grampianscommhealth.org.au

Fruit Box Friday

Applications are now open for Term 3

Instruments Available: Cornet, Tenor Horn, Trombone, Baritone / Euphonium, Tuba & Percussion

Cost: $50 per term (includes instrument hire)

Enquiries - Sandra Page
0413 824 175
Concert with Jon Madin

WILLAUARA PRIMARY

TUESDAY 14TH JUNE

PERFORMANCES FROM ALL GRADES
P-6
6.30PM-APPROX 7.30PM
WILLAUARA MEMORIAL HALL