Dear Parents and Students

We welcome Miss Arisa Kawamura to our staff this week. Arisa will teach Japanese (with Chris Eeles) to each class starting next week. She is very excited to be here and we hope she enjoys the experience this year.

On the other hand, we farewelled Royce Moncur this week. Royce has done an amazing job as our science teacher. He drives down from Rosedale each week and we all love his program. We only expected Royce to be here for term one, so we appreciate the extra time he has given. Royce also hopes to return for some special science shows later in the year. We’ll miss you, Royce!

**MOTHER’S DAY STALL:**
This takes place TOMORROW at 9am. Parent helpers most welcome. Don’t forget to bring your forms and money back - it’s not too late! - however please take your form and money straight to the office before 9am thankyou.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL - A REMINDER TO MEMBERS:**
Our May meeting is next Tuesday night, 15th at 7.30pm.

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS:**
Norm’s private lessons on Tuesdays are proving very popular and the students are really keen. Payments for these lessons must be made weekly or in advance for the term. (Lessons cannot be continued for those owing money).

**BALLARAT CAMP:**
All students received notices about clothing lists, money, times (etc) this week. The behavioural notice should be returned a.s.a.p. Final notes will go home next week. Please ensure full payment is made by next week thankyou. We are all looking forward to this camp.

**SOMERS CAMP:**
The famous Somers Camp will once again offer a very small number of places to local students in grades 5 + 6 in mid August this year. We have just received information about this. Generally, only about 6 students per school get a place and the cost is heavily subsidised ($150. for 9 days!!). I will inform you a.s.a.p. of our allocation.

Have a great week

Regards Chris & Staff
**DIARY DATES**

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**SECONDHAND SCHOOL UNIFORMS**

This term we are hoping to get our secondhand school uniform store up and running again, so if you have just upsized your kids uniforms (jackets, polos, pants or dresses) or have had some tucked away for a while and they are still in good condition, we would appreciate you dropping them into the office to be washed and sized then re-sold as a school fundraiser in the near future. Also a reminder to please name all of your school uniform items, especially jackets and hoodies as these can so easily be left at school or accidently taken home in the wrong bag.

Thank you

Cherryn Attwell

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**Students of the Week**

MAYA ABLETT (LAST WEEK)
KIRK RONALDS
JACKSON ANCILLIERI
LIAM JONES (BACK)
HUDSON RONALDS
NEISHA ABLETT
RILEY VAGANA (LAST WEEK)

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**CAPTAIN'S CORNER**

Hiwoo Captains here,

MessAge from the sport shed people “DO NOT GO IN THE SPORT SHED”, please go find the sport shed people who are Liam and Jarrod. Make sure you look after your Mum on Sunday, also the new Japanese teacher came on Wednesday.

Last weeks riddle answer:
A. Mr Eeles

This weeks riddle:
I am a type of animal that means a lot to this school.
What Am I?

From Bridgette, Jarrod and Bailey
WE’RE TAKING IT IN OUR STRIDE ON FRIDAY, 18 MAY 2012

Well it’s that time of year again when our school seriously starts talking about walking!

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn’t realistic for many of us, it’s quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family’s daily routine.
You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:
  Walking with them the whole way to school
  If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.
Some of the teachers will be walking from Yarragon to Darnum on Friday, May 18. Parents and children are invited to meet them at the Darnum Musical Village at 8.30am to join with them in walking the rest of the way to school.

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

All children will be provided with a snack on arrival at school.
OPEN DAY
Wednesday, May 30
1:30 – 3:30 pm
17 Murray St, Yarragon 5634 2591
Enrolments for 2013 open June 1
2012 and close June 30 2012
Enrolments taken through
Baw Baw Kindergarten
Central Enrolment System for 3 year old
and 4 year old programs
Kindergartens/Kindergarten_Applications

Music and More
in Darnum
TERM 2
A music and movement program for pre-school age children
and their carers.
At: Darnum Primary School
When: Every Tuesday morning of the school term.
Time: 10am to 11am
Cost: $2 per family.
A cuppa will be provided for carers and B.Y.O. snack and
drink for children.
The program will be run by the Uniting Church.
For any enquiries please contact Rev. Chris Duxbury on
56331047.
Bookings not essential, hope to see you there.
Your local school and church working together to support families.