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## NEWSLETTER August 20<sup>th</sup> 2014

### Dates for your Diary

SEP	Fri	5	Book Week Dress ups	
	Sat	6	Grade 6 Tatong Market	
	Tue	9	School Council Meeting 6.30pm	
	Wed	10	Milo Cricket at school	
	Fri	12	School and Community Bush Dance	Bring supper to share
OCT	Fri	10	King Valley Kitchen Garden Benefit.	

PREP'S 2015 ORIENTATION DATE FOR TERM 4

Wednesday's October 15<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup>, November 12<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday December 9<sup>th</sup>

#### VACUUM ROSTER

AUG	29	Paccagnan
SEP	5	Bailey
	12	Robertson
	19	Ross D&S
OCT	10	Ross T&L

#### TOILET ROSTER

Shanks
Tanner A
Tanner B&L
Baker
Boonzaayer

#### PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SECURITY SYSTEM

**NEW PARENTS PLEASE COME TO SCHOOL TO SEE HOW OUR SECURITY SYSTEM IS DEACTIVATED FOR VACUUMING DUTIES**

**NOTE** If you can't clean on your rostered time, swap with another family. A list of family numbers is in your handbook. Thank you.

#### MOWING ROSTER

##### Rose Bailey

David Boonzaayer  
 Shannon Murphy  
 Rob Northey  
 Peter Paccagnan  
 Steve Mitchell  
 Rob Carlesso  
 Tim Northey

Return the key to school when mowing is done. Thankyou

### LITERACY AND NUMEROUS WEEK- "BOOK WEEK" DRESS UPS and THE GREAT BOOL SWAP



This week is Literacy and Numerously week. We will be celebrating a week later with a Book week dress-up event and book swap. Next week on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> we will have a dress up day to celebrate Book Week. Children are to dress as a favourite book character, NOT a TV or Movie character. Please don't buy expensive outfits, this is a fun day and great costumes can be made using bits and pieces from home.

On the day children are asked to **donate a book** which they no longer need at home. Some of our students were a little concerned about donating much loved books so maybe a trip to the Op Shop might be a solution. These books will be put on a stall at school that day. Your child is also asked to **bring a gold coin** to buy someone's book-hence "The Great Book Swap".

The money raised from this stall will be given to The Indigenous Literacy Foundation. Check out their details on [www.indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au](http://www.indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au) Our school will be helping out students in remote communities and classroom discussions will give our students an idea of the challenges these children face with their learning.

#### WHO WE ARE

The Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF) raises awareness and funds for children in remote Indigenous communities across Australia. Over the past four years we have delivered more than 100,000 new books to over 230 communities nationally. We run an early literacy project, *Book Buzz*, which delivers quality board books into the hands of babies, toddlers and families in remote communities. We publish and fund specific community literacy projects, some of which are in Indigenous languages.

[indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au](http://indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au)

**SWAP A BOOK AND RAISE FUNDS FOR LITERACY!**

### **IMMUNISATION RECORDS**

The Victorian Chief Health Officer has confirmed cases of measles in a Victorian school which has prompted the Department of Education and Early Childhood learning to request schools to check student records for up to date information relating to immunisation. We have a number of families who have not supplied us with an Immunisation Record for their child. I have sent home a letter to those families requesting prompt action to address this. In the event of a disease outbreak Greta Valley Primary School will send home and exclude students who are either unimmunised or have not supplied us with the relevant information. If you receive a letter from me, please give this immediate attention. Information relating to Measles is attached.

### **GRADE 6 TATONG MARKET MORNING**

The grade 6 students will be having a stall at the Tatong Market on Saturday week the 6<sup>th</sup> September. They will be selling the left over preserves from the Lurg Wine and Food evening and we hope some more freshly baked goodies, eggs or produce provided by our school families, particularly the grade 6 families. Most years the grade 6 children have run a stall at the Tatong Market, to raise money for their grade 6 trip to Melbourne. We have lots of grade 6 children to support this year so fundraising is especially important. Any donated goodies can be left at school on Friday 5<sup>th</sup>. Emma and I will be at the market along with as many grade 6 students as can make it, to serve. The market is next to the hotel at Tatong and will begin at 8.00am.

### **AFTER SCHOOL CARE**

Occasionally the best made plans can go amiss and you may require after school care at the last minute. Car break downs, illness or an appointment that goes longer than anticipated. We have had a few families caught out recently. Your child can go into after school care BUT we MUST HAVE the completed enrolment form or that can't happen. So please consider filling these in for the "just in case" scenario. Then we can step in with last minute care in an emergency.

Remember, if you want to book your child in for care and it is not an emergency, we really appreciate receiving the booking by 2.00pm on the day, so Nicky can be prepared with food and activities to suit your child. It is also important to make the cancellation of a permanent booking by this time on a given day for the same reasons.

### **WANGARATTA SHOW COLOURING COMPETITION**

The attached larger animals picture is for children up to Grade 2 and the smaller animals picture is for Grades 3-4 and 5-6 which can be added to with more farm animals, fences etc. Send back to school by September 10<sup>th</sup> for us to forward on.

### **BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS (BUGK)**

Bringing up great kids is a parenting program all about child development. See attached details. This course will be run for 6 weeks at either our school, if we have enough participants, or at Moyhu P.S. It will begin in the first week of term 4 and will be on a Tuesday evening after school at Moyhu. The potential evening, numbers permitting, at Greta Valley, can be negotiated. The evening will be from 4.00 to 6.00pm and after school care will be available. If you attend the Moyhu program because we don't have enough participants to run our own program, Nicky will stay on until 6.30pm in After School Care for that evening, so you can drive back to collect your children after the 6.00pm finish. Please let us know if you are interested by replying to school by Wednesday next week.



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### **BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS**

Yes I/we .....

are interested in attending the BUGK program



## **SPEECH**

I would like to share some great feedback about our Greta Valley students, particularly those who are doing speech therapy at school. Our Speech Pathologist, Maddy, told us last week that the students at our school are making greater progress at a much faster rate than at any of her other schools. Congratulations kids! She puts this down to two things. The parent support at home for the program, which involves follow-up activities, and the fabulous speech sessions Sue and Janis are doing on a regular basis for our participating students, following Maddy's advice and program. That extra time and practise at school has been magnificent and value added to the program enormously. Thank you Jan and Sue. Our school spends a larger portion of our budget on assessing and supporting students with extra learning needs. We spend much more than the government allocates in our grants but I believe it is worth every penny when we can celebrate increased learning and achievement for any of our students. Your fund raising for the school takes the pressure off a number of budget lines at school and gives us the flexibility to pay for valuable extras, like this speech pathology program, for a number of children. Thank you everyone.

## **COMMUNITY DANCE**

Our Community Dance is fast approaching. Put this date in your diary. Just a reminder for families to bring along some supper to share with the Community please.

# **COMMUNITY BUSH DANCE**

**FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**7.00PM**

**Greta / Hansonville Hall**



**MUSIC BY BUSH TELEGRAPH**

**Fantastic country supper provided**

**Tickets at the door Adult \$10.00 Children \$5.00 Family \$25.00**

**Presented by Greta Valley Primary School**

## KING VALLEY KITCHEN GARDEN BENEFIT

The name has changed but the guaranteed fantastic night with a 3 course meal still remains! Tickets are selling fast for this event even though tickets have not yet been printed. We can put you on the list if you are keen to come along as tickets are numbered and limited. Call the school soon so as not to miss out.

KEEP OUR STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN ALIVE

# KING VALLEY KITCHEN GARDEN BENEFIT

1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE \$3000

2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE \$600

3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE \$300

5 X \$20 PRIZES

TOTAL PRIZE POOL \$4000!

FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

7.00PM – 11.30PM

SWINBURNE PAVILION

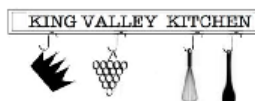
WHITFIELD RECREATION RESERVE

SILENT AUCTION DINNER INCLUDED

## Music by Paris

TICKETS \$50.00

DRINKS @ BAR PRICES



BUS SERVICE FROM WANGARATTA / GRETA SOUTH / MOYHU / CHESHUNT / MYRRHEE

GOLD COIN DONATION

FOR TICKET SALES & ENQUIRIES CALL A KING VALLEY CLUSTER SCHOOL

EDI UPPER 5729 3560

GRETA VALLEY 5766 6344

MOYHU 57279298

MYRRHEE 5729 7524

WHITFIELD 5729 8286

### KING VALLEY CHALLENGE: FUNDRAISE FOR KING VALLEY SCHOOLS CLUSTER STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM

This year the annual King Valley Challenge is teaming up with the King Valley Schools Cluster Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program to promote fitness & wellbeing, fun, local participation - and fundraise for the Kitchen Garden program along the way.

Held October 25th, the King Valley Challenge is a premier multi-sport event, with 15 km run, 12km kayak and 39km cycle.

Entries online: [www.kingvalleychallenge.com](http://www.kingvalleychallenge.com)

Fundraising opportunities include \$10 (\$30 teams) from each entry with local postcode, and all monies from the new 5km Run Event towards the King Valley Cluster Kitchen Garden program. **NOW IS THE TIME TO COMMIT. ENTER TODAY.** Training is part of the fun. Enter online [www.kingvalleychallenge.com](http://www.kingvalleychallenge.com) and start training today. The opportunities of good health, wellbeing and fun participation await!

#### Helping Hand:

In addition to the entry fee donation, fundraising for the Kitchen Garden will also be happening through Marshalling for the event and running a Coffee & Cake Stall on the day. Helping hands from the parent groups of all participating schools will help to make that happen, more specific info coming in September.

**For now, we are looking for someone to Coordinate this fundraiser** (Tasks include; recruit helpers, logistics for the stall etc). We would love it if you are able to help! Please call Carla Pizzini 0421494122 to discuss.