Well the garden has finally received the attention it has long needed from our Christmas break. On every Wednesday, at lunch time, we have started running our lunch time Garden Club. This is where any year 3 student who wishes to come along can join in and help to do some garden work.

Let's just say "Many hands make light work!" And it definitely was many!

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Do you want to help in the Art Room?

The Art Room is very busy and we would love your help in any way. We will continue to focus on beautification of the grounds and gardens, mosaics, painting & weaving. Some jobs may be able to be completed in the comfort of your own home, if you prefer. Please drop into the Art room and catch up with Art Specialist Donna Dixon or alternatively leave your name and number at the office for contacts. Thanks.

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REMINDER The Special Religious Instruction - Parent Consent Form was sent home with the children last week. Could parents please complete and hand into the school office by Friday 20th February.
**FRIENDSHIPS.** Now that we are three weeks into the school year, it may be an opportune time to reflect on how our children have settled in, the friendships they have developed and what we, as adults, can do to support friendship development. There are both direct and indirect things that adults can do to support and teach children about friendships. The relationship a child forms with his/her parents lays down the template for future relationships. Children’s friendships therefore are influenced by the relationships that they see at home. These early relationships lead to expectations about what relationships outside of the home might and should be like. Think about how you treat your family and friends and what your child learns from watching the interactions in your house. Think about issues such as loyalty, gossip, put downs, conflict resolution and how they are portrayed in the adult relationships that your children witness. Be conscious of how important you are as a role model for your child and be prepared to change your behaviour if you want to see your child’s behaviour change too.

In terms of Prep age students, about half of young children’s attempts to play with their peers are initially unsuccessful. The ability of children to keep trying is vital and is one of the cornerstones of our ‘You Can Do It’ program. (persistence) If you have any concerns about the ability of your child to make and maintain friends please don’t hesitate to contact the classroom teacher or Student Counsellor, Leslie Keilor or Chaplain, Felicity.

**STUDENT FREE DAY.** Please note that Friday 6th March will be a student free day in order for staff to undertake Professional Development related to Assessment and Reporting. Following a review by the Education Sub-committee of School Council we will be holding Parent/Teacher interviews over the final Thursday evening and Friday of this term as it was felt that a report half way through the year could be too late for some families.

**WORKING BEE.** It’s been a while since we have held a working bee at our school. The last one was well attended, was great fun, involved parents and students and achieved a lot in a short amount of time! Students in particular were proud of their efforts. Our next working bee will be held on Saturday 21st March, commencing at 9am and finishing around 12noon. A list of tasks will be circulated via separate letter in the lead up to the date.

**Newsletter.** With the introduction of Compass it is envisaged that from the start of term 2 our weekly Newsletter will not be printed in hardcopy and sent home to all families, but rather will be posted on our website and be published on Compass and emailed to parent’s. A small number of hard copies will be available from the office. This should ensure that all families will receive the Newsletter quickly, reduce the impact on the environment as well as decreasing printing costs. It is vital that parent’s log onto Compass and enter your email details. Please contact the office if you do not have your Compass login details.

Peter Auchettl - Principal

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

to the following children who will be celebrating their birthdays during the week:

The winners of Last week’s Good Choice Awards went to:

Renae Mauriks & Sophie Robson from Class 2/29 for Honesty &

Bridget McKenzie & Zarleigh Wallace from Class 1/8 for Honesty

Easter is just around the corner and tickets for the Easter raffle will be distributed soon. Most years we have been able to offer around 100 prizes due to generous donations of Easter Eggs from parents and teachers. Donations of Easter Eggs can be left at the office. Thank you.

The school is currently updating the bus travellers details. If your child travels on a bus after school could you please call the office 55 615 955 to advise: your child’s name, which bus they travel on and what days. This information is important to assist our bus monitors with keeping the bus schedule organised and on time. Could parents please remember to ring the office if your child is not travelling on the bus on their designated day. Thanks.

Dear Parents and Students,

Everyone enjoys a great book to read, listen to or share!

Our school offers Scholastic Book Club each year. Twice a term during the school year a Book Club flyer will be sent home with a different selection of books offered. You’ll find award-winning books, as well as old and new favourites. There are many books and educational resources on offer spanning a wide range of children’s reading levels and interests. They are also within an affordable price range (some books cost as little as $1-$2).

The books will arrive at school around two weeks after orders are submitted to Scholastic.

Each order helps our school earn reward points that can be used to purchase books, resources and teaching materials for our library and classrooms.

There is never any obligation to order. It is simply a service we offer which in turn benefits our children and our school.

Please read your child’s order form carefully. The new ordering system called ‘LOOP’ is now in place. Please read the 4 EASY ways to pay details on the back of the flyer. There is a convenient option for parent ordering to be fully completed and paid online.

Happy reading! Mrs Gleeson - Year 1-6.
**Canteen News:** 
**Jamo Sports Night Canteen Roster:** Julie Pram 4.00pm - 5.30pm, Moya Mahony-Owen 4.30pm - 5.30pm, Anna Stow 5.30pm - 7.00pm, Karen Richards 5.30pm - 7.00pm, Gerard Gleeson 5.30pm - 7.00pm.  
**Jamo Sports Night BBQ Roster for cooks:** Heath Murphy 4.00pm, Robert McNally 4.00pm and Linda O’Neil 7.00pm - 8.00pm.  
1 more helper is required to cook from 7.00pm - 8.00pm. Please text Georgia on 0439 689 402 if you are able to fill this timeslot.

Thank you very much to those parents who are helping out on the sports night. The canteen couldn’t run without your support.

As of Monday 23rd February we welcome our preps to place lunch orders or purchase items from the canteen counter. We hope you enjoy your canteen lunches.

There are still quite a few vacant spots that need to be filled on the canteen yearly roster. Even 30 minutes a month is a great help. New faces are always welcome in the canteen. Canteen helper forms are available from the office. Thanks - Georgia.

Warrnambool and District Food Share (WDFS) on the upcoming event in Warrnambool, the Powercor Tour de Depot – an exciting new community charity bike ride created to raise much-needed funds for WDFS.

The Powercor Tour de Depot caters for people of all abilities and ages. The event includes a 10km route through the town centre (targeting families) as well as a 20km timed event option for more serious riders. At the finish line there will be a community festival including carnival rides, face painting, clowns, petting zoo, market stalls and a sausage sizzle.

Join us on Sunday 15 March 2015 for Powercor Tour de Depot in Warrnambool as the community comes together for a fun bicycle event for all ages. Raise funds for Warrnambool & District Food Share.

This event is open to all ages and entry fees. $10 for children and student, $20 for adults, and $50 for a family of four, will be donated directly to the Warrnambool and District Food Share who supply emergency food relief to the Warrnambool and district community.

Family entry includes two adults and two children under the age of 15.

If you are feeling fit, there is the option of participating in the time trial ride which is approximately 20km.

For further information & to register visit website: www.powercortourdedepot.com.au.

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**Key “You Can Do It” values’**

- Persistence
- Getting Along
- Confidence
- Organisation
- Resilience
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### Positive People @ JAMO

Connect... Be active... Take notice... Keep learning... Give

This year we are launching a whole school Wellbeing framework. This framework dovetails beautifully with our current wellbeing program. This is called Positive People @ JAMO. The overall aim of this framework is for our students to be well rounded people once they leave our school and go out into the world, allowing them to reach their full potential and lead a happy life.

We will be explicitly teaching our students how to monitor and improve their overall wellbeing. We will teach the importance of a healthy body and mind. The Framework is based on the Five Ways to Wellbeing and Positive Education modes. Each week through circle time discussions and also a wellbeing lesson, each class will be discussing many areas to assist with overall wellbeing. There will also be family involvement with some tasks. We hope that conversations will reach home. Students will discuss and interview loved ones regarding wellbeing and being a positive person.

The 5 ways to wellbeing are: These are discussed and displayed in every classroom

1. **Connect**: building and maintaining relationships, particularly with our loved ones.
2. **Be active**: find a physical activity that makes you feel good, releasing positive chemicals within the body which also help the mind. Try to find time to do the things that you love.
3. **Take notice**: notice the small things. Be grateful for what you have rather than what you don’t have. Take time to stop and smell the roses!
4. **Keep learning**: learn a new skill, be curious about the world around you and how things work. What do you wonder about?
5. **Give**: Random acts of kindness to those you know or those you don’t. Community involvement, doing little jobs just to help out.

As a school we believe that our students wellbeing is paramount. We want to provide our students with the skills to monitor and assist their own wellbeing. We believe this is an area equally as important as traditional academic areas.

*If you would like any further information please contact Jacqui Gore.*

Gore, Jacqui.A@education.vic.gov.au
12/2/2015

Dear Prep families,

Each year at Warrnambool Primary School the Warrnambool Primary Parents Association holds an Easter raffle. We ask families for donations of Easter eggs to be given as prizes. We usually have around 100 prizes.

Monies raised by the WPPA are used to further enhance our children's educational experience at WPS. In the last 2 years some of the projects we have been able to fund include; air conditioning units in Prep and Year 6 rooms, re-erected the Year 1/2 playground, provided funds for Mrs. Dixon to brighten up the yard with art work, paid for all children to attend the Life Ed van, re-carpeted the Year 5 building and added furniture to these rooms.

We really appreciate families contributing to the WPPA in any way they are able to and invite any new parents to attend our monthly meetings. Ten raffle tickets will be distributed to families in the next few weeks and we hope you are able to sell them for $1 each. The raffle will be drawn in the last week of Term 1.

Yours Sincerely,

Karen Forsyth
WPPA President

[Signature]

Peter Archibald
Principal
FUNDRAISING @JAMO 2015

CAN YOU HELP OUT?
Please indicate what events you would like to help with. Fill in your contact details and return the slip to the school office. You will be contacted closer to your chosen fundraiser.

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The Art room is reorganised and ready for another year of creativity at WPS.

A special Thank you must go out to Mary O’Brien who volunteered her help for many days before the commencement of the 2015 school year. Thank you to past students Maggie, Daisy and Scarlett Hill who spent time creating our new Art room entry sign pictured above. Thank you to parents, Megan Nicholson for donating to the Art room new stools and a map drawer for added seating and storage. Thank you to Cherie Hampton for donating a painting of ‘Glenn Morgan’ by Wendy Murray (see below); the children have enjoyed identifying with our local iconic Artist. Thank you to the WPPA for again purchasing and supplying exterior paints for outdoor artworks, some of which are completed and some are to be continued this year, we are fortunately starting to see some more colour around the school grounds. Thank you to WPS parents who have donated fabrics, cards, containers and materials to the Art room. Thank you to Textile Artist Karen Richards for beautifully creating intricate embroidery and then kindly donating it to WPS, we have been looking and responding to this Art work in classes this week. So many people to Thank and the year has just begun!

Please remember the Art room is always looking for donations of supplies so if you have any excess pens, pencils, paints, oil pastels, crayons, chalks, rubbers that are not in use at home they would be greatly appreciated. We are also looking for exterior water based paints! if you wish to donate these to our Artroom. Parents, do you like painting? We would love someone to be able to recoat/reseal our Mural Art works along the school’s front fences and in the school grounds. We also have some tables and desks that require undercoating if possible. Thanks very much,

Donna Dixon – WPS Art teacher.
Karen Richards, Angus and David’s Mum is an award winning Textile Artist.

The artwork above is embroidery (machine embroidered) and is all made with fine cotton thread. Karen visited the art room and the children from WPS all created their own drawings of “A Surreal Day at Warrnambool Primary School”.

The children came up with lollies falling from the clouds, Rapunzel in our School Steeple, Mermaids in a pond on the grounds, Giants walking across lush grass etc. The art work is beautifully composed of all children’s drawings by Karen.

The artwork was developed, designed and donated to Warrnambool Primary School by Karen Richards. Warrnambool Primary School would like to thank Karen for this wonderful piece that is currently displayed in our BER building.
## JAMO ATHLETIC HOUSE SPORTS
### Thursday, 26th February 2015 Brauerander Park

**CANTEEN PRICE LIST**

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**TO AVOID DISSAPPOINTMENT PLEASE INDICATE BELOW IF YOU WILL BE REQUIRING TEA AT THE ATHLETICS AS IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR CATERING PURPOSES.**

The canteen will open at 4.00pm and close at 8.00pm. **PLEASE HAND THIS SLIP BACK INTO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY THURSDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY.**

Any queries please call Georgia on 0439 689 402.

Please tick if you require tea

How many family members will be requiring tea?

**PLEASE DO NOT PLACE ORDER FOR FOOD ON THIS NOTE, IT IS FOR CATERING PURPOSES ONLY, THANK YOU.**

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**PARENT HELPERS REQUIRED**

We require parent help for the canteen to run successfully. Helpers are required on the following times (please tick if you can help):

- 4.30pm – 5.30pm  (2 helpers)
- 5.30pm – 7.00pm  (3 helpers)
- 7.00pm – 8.00pm  (2 helpers)

If these times don’t suit, please indicate a time, even 30 minutes is a great help.

Name: ..........................................................  Child’s Name & Class: ..........................................................

Phone Number: ........................................................