Newsletter: Term 1 Week 10 (9/4/13)
FROM THE SCHOOL ON A HILL

Principal’s Awards
Last week’s champions are:
- Sean Richards—working well in all areas
- Hannah Dunmore—enthusiasm in all aspects of her schooling
- Darby Watson—working hard on his writing
- Tom McCallum—excellent effort in Maths
- Tess Hunter—improvement in writing and spelling.
- Lizzie Penney—her creativity with all writing tasks
- Stephanie Vickery—for excellent effort in reading and Maths activities

School Vacation Period
The school holidays are upon us with the school term ending this Friday, April 12.
School will resume for students on Wednesday, May 1.
Teachers will begin on the Monday, and for the first time will undertake professional learning for 2 days, not the usual one. This is because an extra day has been allocated by the Government for teachers throughout NSW to familiarise themselves with the new National English Curriculum that will be introduced in 2014.
To all students that have tried hard at school during the term to make themselves better in some way, well done!!!! Have a well deserved and wonderful holiday!

Annual School Photos
These will be taken tomorrow and orders should be sent in on the day.
Students should wear summer uniform and a smile for the photo-shoot.

GOLDEN GALS
Chloe Paton and Stevi-Ann Rosenow make a fine pair of GOLD award winners. Chloe chose a bouncy ball from the prize box and Stevi a bucket of chalk. Nice one!

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Reminders
* Grades 5/6 Ballarat deposit and ‘Booking Form’ due by term’s end.
* Stewart House Donation envelopes due by May 10.
* School Photo Order forms/monies returned on Wednesday, April 10
* NAPLAN withdrawal forms due for those parents/carers not wishing their Grade 3 or Grade 5 student to do some/all of the testing

GOLD Awards Morning Tea
Congratulations to these students on their fine achievement during the term. A GOLD awards morning tea will be held in their honour on Wednesday at 11am.
- Dean MacDonald
- Sophie Stringer
- Phoebe Hicks
- Zoe Metcalfe
- Tess Hunter
- Stephanie Oakley
- Jack Gavel
- Lachlan Hillier
- Allie Duffy
- Eliza Auldist
- Lachlan Wilson
- Darby Watson
- Paraya Moore
- Chloe Paton
- Stevi-Ann Rosenow

School ANZAC Ceremony
The school’s traditional ANZAC ceremony will be held on the top playground, this Thursday, commencing at 10:30am. All welcome to attend.

Mothers’s Day Stall—From Louise Bashford
A reminder for donations from kind-hearted souls! Some ideas: chocolates, nice smellies, cups, key-rings, soaps etc. If you could kindly wrap in clear cello would be even more appreciated as you know if we could all do a little to help it would make the load lighter.

The date of the stall is Thursday, May 9.
All donations can be dropped into the school office.

What's New on the Website!
This newsletter (in colour!), Building Bridges with 3/4H photos (Gallery), Stars of the Month (Home Page), Rising Generations photos (Gallery), Easter Hat Parade photos (Gallery)

Breakfast Program Begins in Term 2
From Cheryl McMillan
The Breakfast Program commences next week for students that are up early to catch the bus or indeed those that feel they just need a top-up to get the day started.

Our major sponsor this year is the YMCA Greater Murray and we thank them for their kindness and ongoing support. For the program to run smoothly we need some kind-hearted souls that wouldn’t mind coming in of a weekday morning (from 8:30am) to get the kitchen rolling. If you can help (Tuesday to Friday only! - The local churches have Monday covered!) please contact the school (58811042).

Donations of milo, vegemite and jam would be most welcome.

We Value Values
Well done to the following students who last week received awards for being top value at:

“Getting Along with Others”
- Nash Suckling—being a good friend with other
- Olivia Manzin—includes everybody in games and works well with others
- Kylah Learmonth—friendly to others
- Abigail Hicks—friendly and polite to others
- Emily Manzin—a friendly class member who gets along well with others
- Olivia Park—a friendly class member who mixes well with others
- Kyeasha Ross—For being an inclusive class member who gets along with others

This week’s value will be: ‘Honesty’
**Creative Catchment Kids Workshop**

The school’s ‘Creative Catchment Kids’ team (Marzahn Schoeman, Kaitlyn Emery, Chelsea Fishlock and Lizzy Penney) will participate in a workshop along with students from other schools on Wednesday. The workshop will be conducted in the North computer room between 10am and 12pm.

**Kind Donations**

Many thanks to the Barlow family for kind donations of A4 Photocopy paper and also milo, vegemite and jam for the upcoming Breakfast Program. Much appreciated!!

**Casual Day - Gold Coin Donation - This Friday**

The Student Representative Council will be conducting a fundraiser this Friday.

Students are asked to come along in casual clothing and make a GOLD coin donation on the day.

Sensible footwear, suitable for playing sport, must be worn.

**Young Musicians’ Club**

Young children love to sing and move to music and we all know that music is good for the development of young brains. If you are interested in joining the Young Musicians’ Club then please contact us at South West Music Regional Conservatorium to book your place for Term 2.

**What do we do?** We play rhythm and music games, do dances from around the world, play instruments, sing and have lots of fun.

**Venue:** St Paul’s Anglican Church

**When:** Every Thursday after school

**Who:** Delena Gaffney teaches 2 groups. 4-8 year olds and 9-13 year olds

**How do you enrol:** Contact Chris van Zeyl our Administration Officer on 5881 4736 or email admin@swmusic.org.au and ask for an enrolment package.

**South West Music Regional Conservatorium is funded by the NSW Department of Education & Communities.**

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**Canteen Roster**

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**Snails slithered into the garden to take out last week’s competition, but Crayfish remain in the lead.**

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**APRIL VACATION CARE**

PHONE NUMBER FOR BOOKINGS AND CANCELLATIONS

03 5890 5217

If we are not able to take your call, please leave a message and we will call you back.

or email oosh@intereach.com.au

**BOOKINGS OPEN:**

**WORKING PARENTS ONLY – 1 APRIL**

**ALL OTHER PARENTS – 8 APRIL**
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<td>Multi-skills games at the Basketball Stadium 10.30am to 2.30pm <strong>LUNCH PROVIDED</strong> sausage sizzle - $2</td>
<td>Fishing at Blake Reserve (due to lots of conversations about our local fishing comp) We will supply the fishing equipment</td>
<td>‘DAY IN THE LIFE OF OOSH’ PHOTOGRAPHY DAY with local photographer Nick Robinson Kids can bring along their own cameras (staff will take no responsibility for this equipment) (some cameras will be supplied by OOSH)</td>
<td>Cricket match on the Oval Wear your whites or simply a white T shirt. (Nathan, Connor, Lachlan, Jace, Logan, Will, Harry &amp; Dylan’s idea)</td>
<td>Cooking at the Neighbourhood Centre Healthy salad wraps &amp; mini fruit pavlovas for lunch Cost $2 Followed by our movie of the week</td>
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**MONDAY 22**

**MONDAY 29**

**LET’S GO RACING!** Trip to Wired Raceway (optional) **COST $5**

**OPEN: 8.00am CLOSED: 6.00pm**
 Fees: $42.00 per day less CCB% Only eligible if you have registered with Centrelink

**NOTE:** At times there may be extra costs involved with special programmed activities Program is subject to change depending on weather.
THIS WEEK’S THINKING TASK was......

Crocodiles or snakes-which are the scariest?-Why?

Contributions for this week’s Great Ideas come from the clever kids in KW and 1/2R

Some of us think that snakes are the scariest because:-
They are venomous,
They have fangs,
Some wrap around you,
And because they live where we live.

I think snakes are the scariest because they can bite people and they are also poisonous and deadly as well.
Lily Wallace

Some of us think that crocodiles are the scariest because:-
They gobble you up,
They can sneak up to you in the water,
They might bite you when you’re at the beach,
And because they have great big, sharp and scary teeth.

I think crocodiles are dangerous because they can bite you. They can even kill you. They have got sharp teeth and they live in the creek. You can easily see them because they stick their heads up.
Shyanne Smith

If they had a fight with each other the snake might wrap around the crocodile and squeeze him so he couldn’t breathe.

I think the crocodiles are scariest because it hides under mud and when you are standing on the riverbank he eats you. He is fast.
Darby Watson

I think that a snake is a dangerous thing because some snakes have venom on their teeth. In the library yesterday, a snake was in there. At a farm, when you are not concentrating, they can get you
Jarrod Bashford

I think crocodiles are the very scariest because they have sharp teeth and they are very dangerous.
Mollie Maher

I think snakes are scary because they can bite people and they can sneak up on people. They have poison and when you touch one they can kill you.
Isabel Auldist

Clever ideas as a joint construction by KW
THIS WEEK’S THINKING TASK was......
Crocodiles or snakes-which are the scariest?-Why?

I think a crocodile is the scariest because it has sharp teeth and is dangerous. It can eat people and they sneak up on people while they are swimming.
**Scout McKenzie**

I think snakes are the scariest because they bite you and they can kill you. There are all sorts of snakes that can kill you. When they kill you first they see you and then they strike at you.
**Jack Gavel**

I think a crocodile is dangerous because he has sharp teeth.
**Allira Paterson**

I think crocodiles are scary because it has sharp teeth and they can kill you by using its teeth.
**Stephanie Oakley**

I think crocodiles are the scariest because they can sneak up on you. They can kill you in ten minutes. They can camouflage in the weeds.
**Abbey Lawson**

I think the snake is the scariest because it spits out poison and squeezes their prey.
**Marion Blease**

I think snakes are scariest because they can bite you and they are venomous.
**Will Willis**

I think a snake is scariest because they can kill a kangaroo. I know because my mum and dad told me. One of our dogs got killed. A snake is venomous.
**Beau Leetham**

Snakes are the scariest I think because they are poisonous. They can camouflage like sticks. They live in Australia and they can kill people.
**Charlee Pitt**

I think the snake is scary because it is venomous and it can kill you and you have to go to the hospital. It has sharp teeth.
**Kylah Learmonth**

I think the crocodile is the scariest because they camouflage in the grass and they have hurt lots of people.
**Jessica Hillier**

Snakes are the scariest because they can kill you. Some like the Red Belly Black snake and a Brown snake can if you don’t get to the hospital fast enough. Some can kill you straight away like a King Cobra. They are so venomous they can kill an elephant and a python’s muscles are so strong they could crush a man’s skull.
**Dean Macdonald**

I think snakes are the scariest because when they slither along, the skin looks scary as. They have lots of venom too. They can strike at you fast as. They can eat a kangaroo. They come out when it is hot. They shed their skin. Sometimes they go on the water. They are fast too. They dig holes. If they bite you, you can go to the hospital.
**Isaac Suckling**

The crocodile is the scariest because it has sharp teeth. It’s got spikes. People think crocodiles damage their boat by eating their propellers. I think the spikes do it when they run over them. Sometimes crocodiles jump out of the water and they hide in the mud. When they open their massive jaws they look scary. Some crocodiles carry their babies in their mouths. It’s like it is eating its babies.
**Elena Mulham**

Coming Soon: More ideas from 3/4H and 4/5S
The following students have kindly typed up some excerpts from stories they began with author, Paul Stafford at his recent workshop.

ENERGY CORE
By Charlie Dudley
"As you know all of the Earth’s power is supplied by the generator at the core, feeding off heat that comes from the magma. For some reason that power generation stopped yesterday. We need you to drill down and jump-start the machinery, work out why it stopped and prevent it from happening again."

I don’t know whispered Jimmy but they’re definitely not human.
"Jimmy this is your commander. Get back up here now!"
"Negative, boss—I can handle this."
That’s an order, Jimmy—Get out of there before...."
There was silence. Jimmy pulled the cord out of the audio jack. They could still see what was going on but there was no more audio.

KOALAS of DOOM
By Adrian Mulham
...The space ship was heading towards the sun. "I am going into it." He turned off the radio and went in. What he saw was unbelievable.
He saw a lot of koalas with very sharp claws. They were sucking up lava into a big ship. He turned on the radio and said, “Bring me the army ASAP.”
Ten minutes later the army were there.
Professor said, “Let’s attack.”
"No way we need a plan you nitwit,” said the General, and hit him on the head. "Attack is what we do." So they did and they lost.
Professor survived but was still attacking. One of the army men grabbed him and dragged him to the ship. The alien things attacked the ship but did not damage it.

THE WELL WHITH THE MAGIC JEWELS
By Sophie Hay
....A few minutes later a beautiful black horse busted into the room.
The sound of the doors closing made her jump since they haven't been oiled in such a long time and now they make a horrid squeaking noise.

She strutted down the red, narrow carpet with a gold line, down to the king’s thrown.
“What seems to be the matter?”
“The Fire Lord is back and he’s after the magic wells’ magic jewels!"
“I’ll get there before him and stop him in his tracks.”
“Wait just a minute; I have a new partner for you. Her name is Vernia. She will be coming with you on the mission.”
“What? Are you kidding me?”
“You meet her at the edge of the forest.”
“Oh come on, you are seriously crazy.”
“You better be on your way.”
“FINE!”

THE MANSION
By Catriona Vickery
.....The four men entered the mansion, planning to stay four nights. All they took was themselves, so for dinner that night they looked in the old fridge, aged over 2000 years old. It sounded like a beehive being butchered by a blacksmith, as it opened.
They had a pink, mushy, ancient cake with disintegrated flies stuck all through it. It smelled horrible. It was spongy and tasted like pig’s vomit.
Even though the mansion made them feel like jelly, they stayed.
3/4H put their bridges to the test last week and all proved to be structurally sound, supporting 1kg easily. The final touches to their computer reports were also completed and here are a few samples. Pretty cool!
**The Grip**

**Bridge Builders:**
Charlie Dudley
Tom McCallum
Tom Cochrane

**What Makes It Strong?** We used rails, triangles, truss, supports and hot glue to make it strong.

**How many Paddle Pop Sticks Were Used?**
It used 79 paddle pop sticks.

**Can it Support 1kg?**
Our bridge can support 1kg.

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**The Nappies Bridge**

**Bridge Builders:**
Chloe Paton
Eimear Gogarty
Tabitha Napier

**What Makes It Strong?**
To make our bridge strong we used triangles.

**How many Paddle Pop Sticks Were Used?**
71 paddle pop sticks were used to build our bridge.

**Can it Support 1kg?**
Our bridge can support 1kg.

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