PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
When our Year 9 Future Makers returned from camp, they were required to give a day of work to a community group. One group decided that they would spend some time with the Kinder students and so the 3 year olds and their staff paid us a visit on Tuesday to say thanks for their time. We hope the students and staff felt very welcome and I think our students also enjoyed having the visitors have a look around.

For many of our students, completing a Vocational Education and Training (VET) course makes school a bit more interesting for them. Students complete TAFE certificates and receive accredited job related and skill based training, meaning there is often hands on activities or work at the same time as completing theory. This can help them in their post school education by having already completed some of their TAFE course and could also help provide a pathway to university.
Homework is a weekly or fortnightly task. Students are expected to hand in homework on the due date. Unsubmitted homework, after one period’s grace, will result in detention until the work is completed. It is a student’s responsibility to collect homework if you have been absent. You can ask your teacher for the task. NB: Students may receive other homework as necessary for other subjects.

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If you haven’t had the chance to put your name down yet, just call in and the appointment sheets are near the front windows. If the teacher you want to see is booked up, still call past their classroom and you may be lucky enough to find them free to talk.

**Attendance Certificates** will be given at the end of each month to students who have had zero absences for the month. Over 60 students are eligible to go in the draw for the February attendance prize. Attendance at school is imperative for ultimate success in a student’s career. Employers look for commitment and reliability when choosing their staff.

**School Photos**
Photo Day is Thursday 16\textsuperscript{th} April. This is in the first week of Term 2 but the information packs from Arthur Reed Photos, will be given out to all students this Monday 23\textsuperscript{rd} March at Home Group. Your information envelope will include an online ordering code and instructions of how to order online.
You can either order online or send the envelope back to the General Office at school and we can keep it in the safe until the 16\textsuperscript{th}. There are photo packages that range from $23 up to $44. There is a discount for the third student in a family and they get their package for half price. Parents usually appreciate knowing in advance of these impending costs and you can pay before Easter if you prefer.

Thankyou,
Rhonda Gargan
Assistant Principal
NINE DAY OUTBACK TOUR 2015
October 1 – October 9 (leaving the 2nd week of September/October holiday and returning the end of the 1st week of school Term 4).
At this stage our numbers are low and it is looking at risk of going ahead as is. We are investigating other options but a decision will be made by the end of March.
If your child is interested in going please send a note into the office. The cost will be around $1000.
For more information contact Ann Bellingham.

CASUAL DRESS DAY-LAST DAY OF TERM
Next Friday 27th March will be an out of uniform day. Students can come dressed in their football colours (no singlets please-please wear a t-shirt underneath). A gold coin donation will be collected from students out of uniform. All money raised will go towards our sponsor child Omi NDay Huka from Sumba, Indonesia. Don’t forget we will be holding our house cross country run after lunch, so pack some running gear. School finishes at 2:30pm

MOBILE PHONE SAFETY
Mobile phones are a great way for teenagers to stay in touch with their parents, friends, and family and provide access to fun and functional resources like games, internet, music, social networking and more from anywhere at any time.

The ability to access information or contact parents anytime is a great function. However, the fact that teenagers can have access 24 hours a day 7 days a week and are not always supervised means that the potential for risks is high. These risks can include unexpected bill costs, cyberbullying, sexting, broadcasting their location to everyone through ‘checking in’ and access to inappropriate material.

What can a parent do?
• Consider what type of phone your teenager needs, not just what they want.
• Consider the type of phone plan appropriate for your teenager. A pre-paid plan is often a better way to go than a postpaid plan. On a pre-paid plan once the credit has run out they can no longer use the services, whereas on a postpaid plan there is a particular amount of credit given for the month and when that runs out you are charged a much higher rate to use the same services.
• Make sure you know how to use their phone. If you don’t ask them to show you. This will allow you to understand how it operates and also stay involved in their use of the device.
• Help to ensure that your teenager understands the costs associated with using their phone. Downloading, uploading (posting to facebook or instagram etc.), making a phone call and texting all cost money.
• Let your teenager know that if they come across something that they are concerned about or don’t understand, that they can come and talk to you about it.
• Check the automatic download settings and in-app purchase settings. These can use a lot of credit without you realising.
• Use gift vouchers to give your teenager credit for purchasing apps and music on their phone rather than your credit card details. This allows some control over how much they are spending. Some companies offer family sharing, which allows for a parent to approve any purchase made by members within the sharing group.
• Keep your teenagers phone out of their bedroom at night. They need their rest in order to function properly the next day and more importantly for their growing body. It is important to have time away from their device and to ‘turn off’.

More information can be found at www.cybersmart.gov.au under the parent tab.

CAREERS/PATHWAYS
Will George was signed up as a school-based apprentice on the family farm in Certificate III in Agriculture last week. If Will decides to pursue a career in Agriculture, this will give him a head start in skills, knowledge and TAFE qualifications. It is also one of his VCE studies.
Will met with Trent Allan from ATEL (Apprentices Trainees Employment Limited) who helped to set up the school based apprenticeship.
Matilda Hutton was signed up over the January holidays and has begun her school-based apprenticeship on the family farm.
We have several other students at school doing VET subjects or school based apprenticeships.
For more information regarding these alternative pathways please contact Ms Ann Bellingham.

Indianna Drew placed second in the 13 year 50m backstroke at the Hume Region Swim Event held on Tuesday.

Reminder

2015 School Fees are due and payable by the end of Term 1. Please contact the office if you wish to make arrangements to pay in installments.

COMMUNITY NEWS

WEP STUDENT EXCHANGE INFORMATION EVENING

Come along to find out everything you need to know about student exchange and the options you have to study overseas as an international exchange student. Talk to WEP staff and meet returned exchange students.

Where: The Cube
118 Hovell Street
Wodonga VIC 3690

When: 21 March 10-11:30am

DEDERANG MOUNT BEAUTY FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

WOOD DRIVE 2015

Mixed Species $100.00 a square metre
Red Gum $130.00 a square metre

Please call:
Cindy Ryder on 0408 289 279 or
Monika Hood on 0416 237 434
If you would like to purchase a load of wood

MEMBERSHIPS AVAILABLE

Memberships for 2015 now available for purchase
When you buy a membership for $100.00 you only pay for 8 home games instead of 9.
Prices are: Adults $100.00 – Double Membership $180.00 – Pensioners $50.00
If you would like to buy one please see Caroline Ozolins at Thursday night training or Monika Hood at Sassy Road in Mt Beauty.

PLAYERS WANTED

Dederang Mt Beauty under 14 Football team is looking for more players for this season. If you are interested in playing please contact Bart Garoni 0427019426

LIONS YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM AND LEO CLUBS

The Lions Youth Exchange Program gives Australian youth aged 16-21 years the opportunity to live with Lions families overseas during their end-of-year summer holidays. The program does not involve tuition or school attendance but is rather a cultural holiday whereby students can immerse themselves in a new culture, enjoy supervised sightseeing and practise second language skills such as French, German, Japanese, Italian, Spanish etc.

Leo Clubs focus on the individual and social development of teens, membership is open to teenagers and young adults aged 12-30 years. Each club is mentored by, and works in partnership with, their local Lions Club.
For more information visit the following websites:
www.lionsclubs.org.au/ye
www.lionsclubs.org.au/activities/youth/leos
COMMUNITY MEETING WITH CATHY MCGOWAN

A community meeting will be addressed by Cathy McGowan, who will discuss her background and achievements, current issues and concerns for the future. Following this she will take questions from the community. This is a great opportunity to find out first-hand what is happening in Canberra and to voice any of your concerns.

Date: Tuesday, April 14th
Time: 7:30 pm
Place: AUDITORIUM@informationcentre

Sponsored by the Upper Kiewa Valley Community Association Inc.

HAVE FUN, GET FIT, AND RAISE MONEY FOR THE ROYAL CHILDRENS HOSPITAL GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL!!!
So how can you help?
By getting together as a community and raising money that goes towards medical research and special equipment for the Royal Children’s Hospital.
Last year the Mt Beauty community raised $11,000 and, with your help this year, along with Tawonga and Mt Beauty CFA and our few regular collectors, we would like to beat it.
The appeal will start at the Mount Beauty Fire Station at 9am on Friday 3rd April.
We are proud to have our sponsors again this year with Dianne Griffiths Photography, Mt Beauty Foodworks and a few anonymous donations. We will be selling raffle tickets for some amazing prizes in Hollonds street up until the day.

FRENCH AND SPANISH CONVERSATION SESSION
Where: Mount Beauty Bakery.
When: Saturday 21st March.
-10am

Are you or have you studied French or Spanish at some stage in your life?
Do you want to experience and practice speaking the language?
Come one and all.
Beginner, experienced and fluent, enjoy a ‘chocolate chaud et de la conversation!’

SASSY ROAD
IS OFFICIALLY LAUNCHING WINTER
A night of late night shopping, champagne and giggles!
When: FRIDAY 27th March 2015
Time: 5.00pm – 8.30pm for shopping and champagne at SASSY ROAD
5 HOLLONDS ST, MT BEAUTY
As always I will be releasing some new labels as well as the having the new ranges from the good old favourites!
Don’t forget, as always a $200 voucher is up for grabs!
Also door prizes on the night!
Laybys welcome!!!!!

FALLS CREEK APR 4 – 5
Children experience outdoor adventure activities in a controlled environment, close to services & amenities, in a very easy, family friendly way.
ACTIVITIES
- Trail Running
- Geocaching
- Mountain Biking
- Fly Fishing
- Orienteering
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Bushcraft
AND MUCH MORE...
LAKE MOUNTAIN APR 18 – 19
www.adventurekids.com.au
WHAT’S BEEN HAPPENING?