



TRAWALLA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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DATES

May 16 – School Council
May 17 – Petanque tournament
May 30 – Cluster Day at Landsborough
June 7 – Cluster Day at Moonambel
June 12 – Queen's Birthday Holiday
June 30 – Last day of Term 2

PATHS STAR



Petanque at Avoca

Tomorrow, Wednesday May 17 students in Year 4 – 6 will travel to Avoca in Kate's car to play petanque. A reminder that a BBQ lunch is available to buy tomorrow, sausages \$2 and a free fruitbox or water. Money can be paid on the day.

The weather forecast is for rain at times, students are to dress in suitable clothes for a chilly day.



Mothers' Day Stall

A huge thank you to Mel and Sharleen for organising and running the Mother's Day stall on Friday. Thanks also to Sharleen who grew and made the bunches of flowers that were included with each gift. This is a great little money maker for the PFA and we thank them for this work.

MARC Van History Lessons

We have been continuing our discussions on War and the effect that it has on the families at home. Some classes have been talking about the differences between Graphic Novels and Picture Story books, while others have been exploring Cinquain Poetry and writing some fabulous poems showing their depth of understanding. The junior grades talked about ANZAC Biscuits. We discussed why they are so significant in our history. We talked about soldiers' uniforms and how they took pride in keeping them nice, with polished boots and buckles and how they felt when they received parcels from their families at home. We learnt some of the old War Ditties that helped boost the morale of the soldiers. There were lots of book returns this time which was fabulous.

Mrs Wynen and Mr Compston
MARC Van Teachers



BIG WRITE

The topic for this week is "Too much money is spent on toys and games"
Please take the time to chat to your children about this topic to ensure they have ideas to write about on Thursday morning.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN has come and gone for another year. Congratulations to our year 3 and 5 students for working well throughout the tests. Students in years 4 and 6 also sat the tests in test conditioned as a practice for next year.

Cross Country

This Friday Ada Smart will compete in the cross country at Victoria Park. We wish her all the best.

Parent/Student Information form

Please complete the form (attached to last week's newsletter) and return by May 16. This form is required to check your details on the school system as details may have changed. It is important that this information is up to date in case the school needs to contact you in the event of an accident or illness. The data related to family occupations needs to be accurate as it forms the basis for our funding from the Department of Education and Training.

Woorabinda Camp

Students in years 4 and 5 have the opportunity to attend a five day camp, Woorabinda. The camp is run in conjunction with Somers Camp and is designed to prepare students for longer camping experiences.

The camp:

- provide students with high quality personal development experiences
- give them opportunities to face challenge in order to develop persistence and build resilience
- students are guided through social learning experiences whilst living in a small residential community environment
- will build skills which relate to working in teams outdoors to learn about the environment and the interaction between various life forms
- complement the Somers Camp experience.

CAMPS DATES: 17/07/2017 to 21/07/2017

COST PER CHILD: \$190.00

Contact Kate for more details.



Food for Thought

At times it is difficult to put food on the table when a lot of bills come in at once.

The Food Pantries in Avoca and Beaufort enable people to 'get a hand up' when those times arise.

At the food pantry, registered participants can obtain a food hamper, usually consisting of non-perishable foods, free of charge. These foods are generally a mixture of general use foods, pasta, tinned fruit, tinned fish, sauces, long life milk, and any additional stock items available that fortnight. Sometimes fresh and frozen products are available as well.

When you register with the food pantry you will be asked to indicate whether you are a single person or a family, and you will be issued a hamper with goods according to those criteria.

The hamper does NOT contain fresh food. No health care card is required.

Your participation in the food pantry is confidential, whilst you will need to give your family details, this information will not be passed on to anyone else

The food pantries are open fortnightly, on Fridays between 1.00-3.00 PM, and are located in the community health building in Liebig Street, Avoca, and the Community Resource Centre in Beaufort.

The dates for the next term for the Avoca Branch are: **May 19; June 2; 16 & 30 and July 14 & 28**

For information about the Beaufort Branch dates please contact the Beaufort Resource Centre

We can be contacted through the Avoca Community information Centre on 54651000 or the Beaufort Resource Centre on 53491180. Staff there will take your name and contact one of our volunteers, who will return your call usually within 2 working days.

Fairy Wrens

Vacancies are available in Fairy Wrens Girl Guides for 6 – 10 year old girls.

The Fairy Wrens meet every Wednesday during school terms from 5pm to 6.30pm at the Beaufort Guide Scout Hall, on Raglan Road.

We cover many challenges, we encourage the girls to become self-confident, leaders in their communities, and mostly we have a fun time.

The Fairy Wrens enjoy many activities including campfires, indoor/outdoor cooking, hiking, community service, first aid, crafts, games and much more.

For further information please call Allison Nugent on 0424 653 052, Sharon Roxburgh on 0409 592 011 or Cara Lovejoy on 0404 830 041. Alternatively, girls are welcome to turn up on a Wednesday night from 5pm.