STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Kiarna-Lee for being an enthusiastic and cooperative member of our class who is settling into school very well.

Bowen for a very positive start to 2015, by practising his spelling words, working on his organisation, getting 6 out of 6 on his spelling test and “PBs” every day on Speedy Number Facts.

Rhyan for his involvement in finding “The Big Idea” in our reading session.

Christopher for a great start to Year 2 and for being a caring classmate!

Katrina for having a fantastic start to the year!

Cruz for helping out with the bird cage.

Holly for some excellent grid scores to start the year.

Jack for his first 144 on multiplication grids.

Jakson for always doing his best and having a great start in 1/2 Curwood.

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

Amy for taking care of a Prep child and making sure he was safe after recess.

Mia for taking care of a Prep child and making sure he was safe after recess.

*We apologise for not having all photos of students—we had some difficulties transferring them to the computer!
From the Principal

Hello Everyone,

Student Leaders 2015
Thank you to all those family members who attended assembly last week to support the appointment of our student leaders for 2015. Congratulations to

School Captains - Isabelle, Georgia
Vice Captains - Sam, Lani
Sports captains -
• Fraser (Yellow) Tahlia, Charlie
• Freeman (Red) Cooper, Ashley
• Landy (Green) Adam, Cory
• Perkins (Blue) Ben, Cameron

Important - School Council Vacancies
We are currently calling for nominations to fill our 4 School Council parent vacancies. Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month during the school term. Meetings are held in the staff room 6:30pm-8:30pm. The next meeting February 24th. If you would like further information about our school council please feel contact me. If you are interested in becoming a member of school council please complete a self-nomination form which can be obtained from the office. Nominations are due by Wednesday 18th February.

Volunteers
Volunteers play an important role in our school community. We greatly appreciate those people who volunteer their time on a regular basis or for special events or programs. Thank you to Nancy Wells, Rachael Quick, Michael Rankin, Karen Ridley, Mandy Mooney, Suzanne Watters, Jacob Hall, Jarrad Keddie and Kieran Browne, Elizabeth Kurzawa, Kay and Georgia, Cathy Curwood, Amanda Gooding, Amy O’Brien who have enabled our Breakfast Club and Canteen to operate. Thank you also to Jill Jessup (Community member) who has assisted with the revamping of the library.

Developmental Learning
You may have noticed that the Developmental Learning area has been relocated into room 9 beside the Prep classroom. At this stage the Junior team are establishing classroom routines. It is anticipated that the Prep students will be accessing Developmental Learning activities towards the end of term 1. Years 1&2 will access Developmental Learning activities as a resource to support their inquiry learning.

Family Information Evening and BBQ
17th February Update
This event has been organised by staff to provide parents/guardians with important information about the learning and teaching, programs and ways to support your child with homework. The evening will commence at 5:30pm and sessions will be held at different times to accommodate families with a number of children. A free BBQ will be available. The following topics will be covered; What to bring daily.

Prep - Take home books; bags and diaries; Homework; Learning Focus Healthy Lunches – Mini Snack; Fruit and Story time; Early and Late Students; Absences; School Uniform; Parent Helpers.

Year 1/2 Take Home Books; Diary use; sharebook; spelling book; sightwords; Homework Collection; Late Students; Absences; General Business (including water bottles, sunhats, healthy lunches, fruit and storytime); Learning Focus; Weekly Timetable; Class Expectations; Parent Helpers.

Year 3/4- A focus on developing a positive partnership between home and school and talking about how parents can help their child to assist in their learning. Topics include Take Home Folders; Diaries; Spelling Journals; Big Talk Stimulus; Reading
Year 5/6 - A presentation focusing on diaries, uniform policy, personal responsibilities, literacy and numeracy groupings, cooking, competitive sports, contribution to the school community.

Monique Osborn

Interschool Swimming Sports (Revisited).
The interschool swimming sports will be held on Thursday 19th February 2015
All notices and money must be returned to the classroom teacher (not the office) by Monday 16th February.

1/2 Curwood Writing

Elise
On Christmas Day, I opened my presents. Mum got me some hairclips and then I got dressed in my clothes. Then I went to a Christmas party at my dad’s brother’s. There was drink and food there. It was so nice to have a mum and dad. I felt it was the best Christmas.

Holly
On Christmas Eve I couldn’t sleep because I was too excited. Soon it was the morning. I was really excited to open my present but I was really tired. Then I opened one of my presents. It was a Fluffing.

Liam
I went camping. It was great fun. I went swimming and I went hunting. I love hunting. It was very hot.

Prep Parent Morning Tea

This morning we had a great turn out for the Prep Morning Tea. It was nice to see some new faces among our school community. School Chaplain Suzanne baked muffins to share and parents were able to meet our School Council President Lindsay King who talked about what School Council does and what it is about. Welfare Officer Mandy Mooney talked about the parent exercise class ‘Get Up and Move’ and our healthy eating program FoodCents. Principal Monique Osborn chatted about some school activities we have coming up and was happy to answer any questions or concerns the group may have had.

We will be having another morning tea at the beginning of next term. Please do not hesitate in coming along and seeing what our school has to offer and if there is anything you might like to become involved with.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs every morning before school, thank you to those families who have helped out with time and donations. We would currently like donations of Jam, Honey, Rice Bubbles and NutriGrain.

We will be having Pancakes on Thursday 19th February.

Student Notice and Money Collection
All Notices and money for excursions, special lunches, sporting events, canteen and school activities should be handed to the classroom teacher in a well-marked, sealed envelope. This ensures the correct notice and money is marked off against the correct child and avoids any confusion.

Dollarmites – Student Banking
The school banking program provides students with an opportunity to make deposits into their Youthsaver account at school each week.
If you would like another pack, please come to the office.

Pizza Special Lunch Day
Thursday 26th February

We are holding our first Special Lunch day for 2015 on Thursday 26th February.
Special lunch forms need to be returned to your classroom teacher by Friday 20th February. Please note that we are unable to accept late orders due to ordering requirements. There are spare forms at the office if needed.

**WANT TO SAVE MONEY? FOODcents is Coming!**

As part of our partnership with Healthy Together Latrobe we will be offering this program at school.

FOODcents is an education program that helps families to achieve a healthy diet and to save money on their grocery shop. The program is based on a simple concept. To have a healthy diet, people should spend most of their food money on the ‘eat most’ foods and spend least on the ‘eat least’ foods. The ‘eat most’ foods are often the cheapest, so using this spending model means more nutritious foods will be purchased and money will be saved. The program runs for 2 hours a week over 3 weeks.

**Dates are as follows:**

*Thursday 12th March, Thursday 19th March and Thursday 26th March from 9am-1130am.*

If you would like to be a part of this program please return the slip below.

If you have any questions please contact Mandy at school on 5127 1966

**Places are limited so get in quick!**

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**FOODcents**

I would love to be a part of the FOODcents program.

Name: ...............................................................  

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

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**Would you like to play BASEBALL?**

*Moe/Newborough Baseball Club are seeking players of all ages*

The Moe/Newborough Dodgers are located at Burrage Reserve, John Field Drive NEWBOROUGH  
Junior (ages 5-16)  
Senior (17yrs +)  
All games are played on a Sunday  
If you are interested please contact: David Bloomfield 0417 052 038  
Roy Simpson 0417 385 806

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**Slow Down, School's Back!**

School speed limits apply outside every school in Victoria to increase the safety for our most vulnerable road users - children.  
All Victorian drivers are reminded that school speed limits will apply across Victoria from Thursday 29 January 2015.

Speed limits will be reduced to either 40km/h or 60km/h outside schools in the morning from 8am to 9.30am and in the afternoon from 2.30pm to 4pm.

For information on school speed zones visit the VicRoads website. While you’re there, check out their fun and informative road safety apps.