Dear Parent and Guardian,

**FOUNDATION (PREP) TRANSITION**

Our 2015 Foundation students have been coming to school on Wednesday’s for the last 4 weeks. During this time they have experienced activities and programs that we offer, and have started to become familiar with school life at Westbreen Primary School. Yesterday was the last of our Transition days with a special gathering of our Foundation Students meeting their Buddies for 2015. Thank you to all who have made our Foundation Transition program such a success. Special thanks to Ms. da Silva, Ms. Adria and Ms. Michelle for their organisation and co-ordination of the program.

Just a reminder that our Foundation Information Evening is this coming Wednesday 3 December at 7.00pm.

**BUSHWAHZEE**

A warm invitation is extended to all families to join us in our “BUSHWAHZEE” concert evening this coming Thursday 4th December, starting with a family picnic from 5.00 to 6.00pm. After dinner from 6.00 to 7.30pm the fun continues with children demonstrating the bush dances they have learnt during the day. So organise a “picnic basket”, a picnic rug and join in the fun. I look forward to seeing you on the evening.

Have a wonderful week

Tony Cerra
Principal
STUDENT OF THE WEEK
WEEK ENDING 26\textsuperscript{th} November 2014

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<td>For always aiming to do his best in all his classwork. Well done Andy!</td>
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NORTHERN ACE TENNIS ACADEMY
SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINIC
Date for holiday Clinic: 14\textsuperscript{th} December 2015
Time: 10:00am to 4:00pm
Located at Merlynnston Tennis Club
Sheppard Street Coburg North (Off Shorts Road)
Cost $30.00 per child
Please Note: Payments can be made upon arrival and Payment options via EFT or Cash

CHILDREN NOT RETURNING TO WESTBREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL IN 2015
Please return this form to the school office ASAP:

Child / Children’s Name/s: ____________________________________________
2014 Grade/s: _________________________________________________________
Transferring to: _______________________________________________________
Parent/Guardian Signature: ____________________________________________
TRISKILLS GYMNASTICS
PROGRAM 2015

For a number of years, we had a wonderful gymnastics program taken by Triskills Australia. We are very lucky to have secured a booking with them again for next year.

Triskills will run a six-week program in Term 1, 2015. Each grade will have a half-hour session with two qualified gymnastic teachers. This will mean more individual attention for students and also students’ skills levels can be further developed.

A permission note for the Triskills Gymnastic Program will be sent home on the first day of Term 1.

The six-week program will cost $32 per student and begins on February 5.

** Any parents of students in Grades Prep – Grade 5 this year can pay money towards it this term, if it suits you. Send the money to school in an envelope with your child’s name and label it as TriSkills money.

Gymnastics is a very important part of all Australian government schools’ Physical Education programs, so every student will be expected to attend.

Karen Wileman

Nude Food

This week’s winners are Prep A.

Well done and keep up the great work! 😊
Mini beasts in the Garden

We have been learning about mini beasts in the garden this term. These are some of the facts that we have learnt……..

The Trap Door spider sits in its burrow and waits for their prey to come along.

_Benjamin_

Ants are insects. They live and work together in groups. _Patrick_

Spiders are not insects. They have eight legs. _Mohammed_

Spiders eat insects that they catch in their webs. _William_

The Funnel web spider lives here in Australia. It is very dangerous. _Dechlan_

Butterflies have four wings. They come in all colours. _Maya_

Monarch butterflies are poisonous to birds and other animals. _Mahjin_

Butterflies flap their wings very fast. They can flap them 5 to 12 times a second. _Roukaya_

Butterflies start out as caterpillars and then turn into beautiful butterflies. _Amani_

Ladybugs are insects that belong to the beetle family. _Alyah_

When butterflies first hatch out they have to unfold their wings and let them dry in the sun. _Eshaal_

There are about 25,300 species of spiders in the world. _Hamza_

Grasshoppers use their large hind legs for jumping. _Fayyaz_

Butterflies drink nectar from flowers. _Heaven_

In each nest there is a queen ant that is in charge. _Adam_

All spiders grow from eggs. The female spider lays the eggs and some female spiders kill the male spiders. _Mariam_

Butterflies have stripes or spots on their wings. _Bareera_

If a baby spider loses a leg it can grow a new one. _Saja_

A queen bee lay eggs and can live for five or six years. _Waleed_

Dragonflies catch other insects while they are flying and eat them with their strong jaws. _Taner_

Ladybugs have hard covers on their wings that do not flap. _Ava_

Some butterflies lay more than a thousand eggs in their life. _Jaclyn_

Bees live in hives and have yellow and black stripes. _Luke_
It’s Movember again, and time to focus on men’s health. To show my commitment, I’m donating my face to the cause by growing a moustache for the entire month of November, and need your support. My Mo will spark conversations, and no doubt generate some laughs; all in the name of raising vital awareness and funds for prostate cancer male depression.

Why am I so passionate about men’s health?

1 in 9 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in their lifetime

- This year 20,000 new cases of the disease will be diagnosed
- 1 in 8 men experiences depression at any given time

I’m asking you to support my Movember campaign by making a donation by either:

- Donating online at: [http://mobro.co/MichaelO](http://mobro.co/MichaelO)
- Writing a cheque payable to ‘Movember Foundation’, referencing my Registration ID: 1383528 and mailing it to: Movember, PO Box 60, East Melbourne, VIC, 8002
- Or placing money in an envelope and bringing it up to the office at Westbreen.

Funds raised will help make a tangible difference to the lives of others. Through the Movember Foundation and its men’s health partners, the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia and Beyondblue – the national depression initiative, they are funding world class research, educational and support programs which would otherwise not be possible.

If you’d like to find out more about the type of work you’d be helping to fund by supporting Movember, take a look at the Movember website: [au.movember.com/programs](http://au.movember.com/programs)

Thank you in advance for supporting my efforts to change the face of men’s health. All donations over $2 are tax deductible.

Michael O'Shea
Please donate at: [http://mobro.co/MichaelO](http://mobro.co/MichaelO)
CHILDREN’S BOOK SALE

When? Wednesday December 3
(from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.)

Where? In the Staffroom

Parents and friends are invited to join us for a drink and something to eat.
There are lots of books at bargain prices.

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

Raffle tickets have gone out last week for the End of Year Raffle tickets are $1.00 each and if you can clearly put you name and phone number on the butt of the ticket.

Hot dog day is on the 4th December so don’t forget to get your orders in but Wednesday the 3rd December.
Weekly recap

At After School Care it has been an interesting week of jam packed fun and lots of energy. The kids loved shaking and dancing to music, playing musical chairs and being judges for little dance competition game we organised together. They had a good giggle and sure know how to keep you entertained, well done guys! We always have time for a good yummy snack and healthy bites; sometimes even a special little treats as rewards for their wonderful manners and behaviour. We will be doing some cool Christmas decorations the coming up weeks and activities for their Portfolios at ASC. Don't forget to bring your hats for the sunny outdoors. Looking forward to seeing you all next week and continuing the fun! – Aysun

Our Extend Superstar is....... Ayman A for getting involved in a good game of soccer with the TL and showing some cool dance moves. Keep it up Ayman!

Next week’s activities
Monday 30th November: Indoor Sports and Games
Tuesday 01st December: Outdoor Activities
Wednesday 02nd December: Musical Chairs/Dance
Thursday 03rd December: Cooking Activity with little Master-Chefs
Friday 04 December: Fun Free Fridays!

ONLINE BOOKINGS: extend.com.au
CALL OUR OFFICE: 1300 366 437
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**NOTICES SENT HOME**
- **2015 Grade 6 windcheater order**
- **Payment Fees for 2015**
- **Prep to Grade 2 Excursion to LaTrobe University Wildlife Sanctuary**
- **Bushwazhee Band Permission Form**
End of Year Community Celebration

The Bushwahzee Bush Band is coming to Westbreen PS on Thursday 4th December to make our end of the year celebration a memorable one.

The band will be performing a show for the whole school at 9:30 am and parents are welcome to attend.

During the day, the band will teach each grade different bush dances within the school. Each grade will have two separate lessons.

As this is a whole school event it is expected that all students participate.

Later in the evening from 5:00 – 6:00 pm, families are invited to bring a picnic dinner to school. After dinner, from 6:00 - 7:30 pm the fun begins with the children demonstrating the bush dances they have learnt during the day, with parents being invited to join in!

All you need to bring is a picnic dinner, chairs and rug, and your dancing shoes. Don’t forget to place it on your calendar now!

Please cut and return this notice and money in a labelled envelope to your child’s classroom teacher by Monday 1st December. (Money will not be accepted at the General Office)

BUSHWAHZEE BUSH BAND PERMISSION FORM

I give permission for ___________________________  Grade _______

Full Name of Student

to attend the Bushwahzee Bush Band concert and dance lessons, on Thursday 4 December.

I have included payment of $10.00

Signed ____________________________ Date: ___/___/ 2014

Parent/Guardian