Dear Families

This week our Year 3 & 5 students have been hard at work completing NAPLAN testing (National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy). These tests are taken seriously, however it needs to be remembered that it only gives a snapshot of a student’s knowledge on a given day. Our students did a great job and gave their best effort. Students completed 4 tests – Language Conventions, Persuasive Writing, Reading and Numeracy. Results will not be available until Term 3.

Last Friday was a successful Fun Run thanks to the hard work of Sue and the many helpers who volunteered to assist. Once again we had a large number of volunteer parents who made the day a success. We cannot run events like these without your assistance. Also, thank you to Bob who made a reappearance to help mow the back paddock and be a guest starter on the day. The Ryder family also make their property available for us to use each year and this is appreciated.

Well done to the following 4 students who will be representing our school with other students from our cluster at the divisional cross country this Friday in Wodonga.

Bella O’Brien 4th 12 year old girls
Isabella Casey 1st 10 year old girls
Phoebe Roffey 4th 10 year old girls
Braidy O’Brien 1st 8/9 year old boys

Next week our year 5/6 students will be off to Canberra with Mrs Gorham and parent Stuart Cariss along with staff and students from Mt Beauty. This will be a trip to remember with an action packed itinerary planned for the students.

Kim Franzke
Principal

Working Bee

Sunday 19th May
from 9am
help needed to move furniture and pull up old carpet in the multi purpose room.

Please RSVP to Kim by Friday
Literacy
As a class we have been looking at letters Cc, Aa, Dd, Gg, Oo, Ff, Qq, Uu, Ee, and Bb. The prep students are working hard understanding a letter, and that you can put letters together to make words e.g. sat, pat, tap. Reading to your child is a valuable thing to do. With the take home readers’, remember to discuss the pictures in the book and encourage your child to talk about the pictures.
In writing we are focusing on recounts (diary writing) and narratives (fantasy). The preps are learning to form letters and write simple sentences (I can jump).

Numeracy / Maths
Our focus in maths this term is on number, counting, space/shape, measurement. In class the students are looking at counting patterns. Some are counting by 1s to 100, while other students have been counting by 2s to 30. Year 1s are working on addition to 10. With shapes the students are looking at circles, squares, rectangles and triangles.

Integrated Studies
Our focus in integrated studies this term is ‘Community’. So far the students have been looking at: what is a community, who lives in a community and how our community can help us learn (Community Club on Friday).

Fun Run
I would like to thank everybody for helping and participating at the Fun Run. It really was a terrific day. Prep / One students’ had a ball, playing with Dederang, Falls Creek and Mt Beauty Primary School. It is lovely to see all the students interacting with each other in such a positive way. Great Work Everyone!!!!!

Kind Regards
Kellie Rutherfurd
FUN RUN 2013
HEAD LICE
Please remember to keep checking your child/ren's hair for Head Lice. We also request that if your child’s hair is long we ask that they tie it back.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART
We will be holding a Jump Rope for Heart day on the last day of Term 2. All students have been busy skipping during sport, recess and lunch in preparation. This however is not compulsory but we would love to have your child/ren's participation. All funds raised will go to the Heart Foundation. Please register online as explained below and get your family and friends to come on board and sponsor you. A sponsorship form is attached to this newsletter.

Hey Mum and Dad
Did you know heart disease affects 2 out of every 3 families?
Help your child to have fun and support the Heart Foundation at the same time. Register our child online and simply press send to all your family and friends! It's easy, safe and secure.
www.heartfoundation.org.au/sites/jumpropeforheart
Send emails to family and friends asking for sponsorship.

HOOPTIME BASKETBALL
Hooptime will be taking place in June. It has been decided that this will be a school run excursion so students are expected to attend. This will complement our Sports program and teach students the importance of teamwork and having a go. Staff will be attending. Forms were sent home 2 weeks ago. We require these to be returned by TOMORROW so we can finalise registration. Thank you to Kelly Roffey who is assisting with the organisation.

COMMUNITY NEWS
Mount Beauty 3km, 10km and Half Marathon
Saturday 18th May, 2013
Starts 10am at Les Peart Oval

All kids receive a bag of lollies on finishing!
Kids activities at the finish line!
Prizes for placegetters and spot prizes too!
All participants go into the draw for a new mountain bike.
Register before 13th May and get your name on your bib!
Register online at:
www.mtbeauty.com/mt-beauty-half-marathon/

Or enter on the day between 8-9am
(Note late entry fee applies for all events except 3 km event)
3km event $6 for U16, $10 for age 16 plus

A great day for the whole family!

Further details phone 0438 556 583