The students had a wonderful time last Tuesday at the launch of Reconciliation Week. Wingello PS and Moss Vale High students and staff, joined us for a few hours of fun and a sausage sizzle. Aunty Liz helped students make damper, sarsaparilla tea and banksia tea. Uncle Garry lead the painting of small canvas and boomerang shapes. Grandmother Chris read Aboriginal stories. Uncle Bob and Mr Van der Voort showed the children how to play some Indigenous games. Adam cooked everyone’s damper on the fire. During the day Mrs Murphy-Cann and Mrs McIntosh filmed and photographed. The art work, photographs and movies will be part of the LINKAGES presentation to be held at the High School later in the year.

Well done to Jessica, Grace and Kiara who all ran at Cambewarra last Friday.

Next week is another very busy week:

Photos: winter uniform, school/black shoes.

and

Athletics carnival: Don’t forget to volunteer if you can help with canteen and make some yummy cakes and slices for us to sell.

Student attendance is monitored by the DEC. The school is expected to have an attendance rate above 90%. If you are planning to have extra holidays an exemption form must be completed and returned to school before you go. With an exemption form the absent days are not counted. Without the form, they are counted. Please contact the office for a copy of this form to be sent home.

If you received a reminder note for the cost of food provided for your child/children from the canteen, would you please ensure payment is sent in immediately.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Danny
50 Night of Home Reading

Nathan
Improvement in handwriting

Jacob
Good understanding of 24 hour time.
WEEK 5
SILVER
Matheson, Grace
BRONZE
Ryan, Emma
Nathan, Luka
Sarah, Jessica

Reading eggs
Bodhi
William R

MATHLETICS

Kaitlyn
Swimming
Nathan
Swimming
Basketball
Grace
Swimming
Skye
Basketball
Soccer
Kiara
Hockey
Comprehension Strategy #4
Self-monitoring is a skill for life just as much as it is a skill for improving comprehension. Being aware of the situations we are in, of what we need to do, of the outcomes we would like and of ways we can access support is the stuff of everyday.

Self-monitoring for comprehension is just as essential. Students are asked to monitor their understanding as they read, think what they need to do with the information, know that they are aiming to achieve their best and have strategies to help them tackle problems as they encounter them. They don't wait until the end to say; 'I should slow down', 'I need to check the meaning of that word', I don't get the connections, 'What do I have to do with this ?: instead students are asked to actively monitor their understanding as they explore a text and do something to help them fix any problems.

Example questions/statements:
- Is this making sense?
- What have I/you learned?
- Should I/you slow down? Speed up?
- Do I need to reread/view/listen?
- What can help me/you fill in the missing information?
- What does this word mean?
- What can I use to help me understand what I'm/you're reading or viewing?

What can you do:
Ask your child what they did during the day to actively help them tackle something they didn’t understand.
Share with them a point in your day when you had to stop and self-monitor.

Ask: What did you fix yourself today?
When did you ask for help today?
What will you do tomorrow?
SCHOOL CALENDAR ~ TERM 2 2014

Tuesday 3rd June
African Drumming Lesson 5

Thursday 5th June
MVCoS Meeting at Moss Vale High School 4pm Mrs Hopwood attending.

Tuesday 10th June
African Drumming Lesson 6
P & C Meeting 6.30pm

Wednesday 11th June
Principals Network Meeting at Mittagong RSL—Mrs Hopwood attending 8:30-3:30

Thursday 12th June
School Photo Day Winter Uniform
Mobile Library Van 10am-11am

Friday 13th June
Bong Bong Athletics Carnival—Avoca Catering

Tuesday 17th June
Annette Udall Principal Canley Vale PS visiting.
African Drumming Lesson 7

Monday 16th June
Book Club orders due today

Wednesday 18th June
ERN Family Management at Goulburn – Mrs McMillan attending

Thursday 19th June
Back-up athletics carnival day.

Friday 20th June
Shellharbour PPC Meeting @ Shellharbour Mrs Hopwood attending

Monday 23rd June
Kellie Patterson WHS advisor visiting 1pm

Tuesday 24th June
African Drumming Lesson 8

Thursday 26th June
Mobile Library Van 10am—11am

Friday 27th June
Nominations for PORTFOLIO Class Moss Vale High 2015 close.
LAST DAY TERM 2

Tuesday 15th July
Students return for TERM 3

Sunday July 27th
Bunning BBQ—helpers needed

Thursday 28th August
Life Education Van visit

Monday 1st September
Oz Opera at Robertson

Saturday November 22nd
Bunning BBQ—helpers needed

CANTEEN MENU ~ TERM 2 ~ 2014

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers for providing lunch for our students this term.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

ANY TIME you can spare for 1/2 hour or more
LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS means shorter shifts for everyone and ensure ALL parents are able to watch their children compete.

DONATIONS of biscuits, cakes, slices etc. are also needed

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Book Club orders due in by 16th June
COMMUNITY NEWS

THE LOCAL’S NEST
A family friendly place to play, grow and connect with your community. All ages welcome!
2nd & 4th Thursday’s of every month during the school term 9:30am to 12noon at the Avoca Community Hall.
Contact: Amanda - 0410 566 016 or Bek - 0429 591 811

ACCOUNT PAYMENTS

Payments may be made by the following options;
*Direct to the school office
*Returned in the newsletter folder
*Direct Deposit:
  Bank: Westpac
  Account: Avoca Public School
  BSB: 032-001 Account No: 161785

PLEASE ENSURE A REFERENCE IS NOTED WHEN PAYING BY DIRECT DEPOSIT.

Thank you