Dear Parents,

**SPACE PROFILING**

This Friday a representative of the Foundation for Young Australians (FYA) will be preparing a video report of the school’s SPACE profiling.

The FYA is a national, independent, non-profit organisation.

"We work to improve the way young people learn, the way they live and the way they lead.

We do this by investing in;

* young people and youth leadership organisations,
* leading research about young people’s lives,
* innovative programs in our schools and communities”

Winters Flat SPACE profiling of Grades Preps to Six, has been identified by the FYA as an innovative assessment program that they wish to promote.

The SPACE profile is prepared using a variety of subjective and objective assessments.

It captures the moderated teacher knowledge of the children in their care and presents the collective wisdom in a clear meaningful way.

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**SCHOOL COUNCIL**

The 2010 Annual Report was tabled at the School Council meeting held last night. Copies are available from the office or the school website. Please contact me if you require further information.

**RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP**

Great to observe children and parents walking to school accompanied by their pets. However it is most important that pets are not left unattended in the school grounds. At all times dogs must be on a leash with an adult in charge, when on the school grounds.

Best wishes,

*Kevin Brown, Principal.*
REMINDER
Student Information forms were recently sent home in order for parents/caregivers to update information recorded about their children. Some of these forms have not been returned to school. Extra forms have been sent home with students who have not handed them in.

_Could these please be returned to the office as soon as possible._

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
Photo day is fast approaching – Friday 1st April 2011. Envelopes have been sent home with students today and need to be _brought back with payment on the day_.

Please ensure that each student has their own separate envelope, which must be handed to the photographer, _at the time that their photo is being taken_.

If any parents/caregivers would like a family photograph taken (only students enrolled at WFPS), the school has envelopes available, which need to be returned to the office with payment.

We also have spare Student Envelopes.

**NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER PHOTO DAY.**

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**STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**  **Week Ending – 11/03/2011 & 18/03/2011**

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<td>Chloe Hall</td>
<td>for always being considerate and positive toward others.</td>
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<td>Charlie Mitchell</td>
<td>for active listening.</td>
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<td>Caspar Killeen</td>
<td>for applying himself well and achieving success.</td>
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<td>R07</td>
<td>Darcy</td>
<td>for always doing his 100% - 100% ready to learn, 100% ready to listen, 100% Respectful! FANTASTIC!!</td>
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<td>R08</td>
<td>Asher Crosby-Loder</td>
<td>for settling into a good rhythm in class, sharing his wonderful creativity and trusting himself more. Well done Asher!</td>
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<td>R13</td>
<td>Flynn Leeson</td>
<td>for showing excellent listening skills and classroom manners.</td>
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<td>Elliott Haywood</td>
<td>for making good choices and joining in all class activities. Top effort!</td>
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<td>R16</td>
<td>Eli Sims</td>
<td>for an excellent effort in all activities, particularly writing and ‘three star’ listening.</td>
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<td>Abbey McNaughton</td>
<td>for her great drama skills and sense of humour.</td>
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<td>R18</td>
<td>Zepp Valentine</td>
<td>for settling in to the Mac TB classroom very well and making better choices in the playground. Well done!</td>
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<td>Camblar Kays</td>
<td>for being a super-whizz with automatic number facts and showing a great interest in learning. Well done!</td>
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<td><strong>INDONESIAN</strong></td>
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<td>Amethyst Dynon</td>
<td>for a great attitude and working really well in class.</td>
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<td><strong>PERFORMING ARTS</strong></td>
<td><strong>Ryan Freudenberg</strong> – for an amazing strategy for mastering the change from C to F with the ukulele. WELL DONE!</td>
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<td><strong>VISUAL ARTS</strong></td>
<td>Fidel Shirvington &amp; Addison Cook-Hain – for giving their own time in order to finish their work.</td>
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<td><strong>SOCIAL SKILL:</strong></td>
<td><strong>Last Week’s Social Skill was:</strong> Active Listening.</td>
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<td><strong>WINNERS:</strong></td>
<td>Rory Stephenson, Eli Sims and Elliot Haywood.</td>
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<td><strong>This Week’s Social Skill is:</strong> Encouraging Others.</td>
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**HEALTHY LUNCH DAY**

The school will be holding a special lunch day on **Tuesday 29th March 2011** to highlight our recent harvests from the ECO/Gobble Garden.

Order forms have been sent home with students.

If you are able to donate any items such as; 1 Tub of Plain Yoghurt (which we are in need of), 1 Sweet Potato, or 1 Small Wedge of Pumpkin, or help on the day, please complete the section included on the order form and return to the office.

*** Thank you to everyone who has indicated that they will donate goods and help on the day.

Please return orders and money to **school no later than Friday 25th March, 2011**

All funds raised will be going towards maintaining the ECO/Gobble Garden at Winters Flat Primary School.

**Children need to bring a cup, bowl and fork.**

* Late orders will not be accepted.
* Please complete a separate form for every child.

Thank you for your support.
SCHOOL PRODUCE

The school has for sale

- 1kg Honey - $10.00
- 500g Honey - $5.00
- 150th Anniversary Book - $28.00
- Wine - $15.00 bottle or $100.00 for 12
- Coffee Mugs - $10.00
- Glasses - $7.00
- Pens - $5.00
- Coffee - $10.00
- ‘Gardens of the Goldfields’ Book - $45.00.

All of these items would make wonderful gifts.

CASTLEMAINE MUSEUM EXCURSION

Last Thursday, the Mac J Preps, Fiona and Marg, enjoyed their first school excursion to the Castlemaine Museum.

The walk there was very exciting and they all enjoyed looking at the interesting things on display at the Museum.

This was followed by a snack and play at Victory Park.

The walk back to school seemed sooo much longer!!

A big thank you to the Mac J parents who came along and helped.

WINTERS FLAT PLAYGROUP

Invitation to an activity morning for parents with children from 0-4 /5yrs of age from the Castlemaine Community.

**When:** First Friday of the month – 9.00/9.30am to 11.30am (drop in).

**Where:** Winters Flat Primary School – parking in front of the school.

**April 1st:** Printing/Painting Bunting for the Fringe.

**May 6th:** Stories and Books.

**June 3rd:** Printmaking.

**Cost:** $3.50 per family, per session.

Please bring a healthy snack to share. Coffee/Tea provided.

Contact Esther on 0448 316 659/ Home 5472 4658 or Lisa on 0401 097 599.

COMING EVENTS

TUESDAYS - SCHOOL BANKING

**MARCH**

- Wed. 23rd
- Thurs. 24th
- Mon. 28th
- Tues. 29th
- Thurs. 31st

Book Club orders due back at school.

Community Class Full Parent Meeting - 3.30pm to 5.00pm.

School Assembly – Mac K.

Healthy Lunch Day.

Community Class Fryers Forest Excursion – 9.30am to 3.00pm.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE.

**APRIL**

- Fri. 1st
- Mon. 4th
- Mon. 4th to Fri. 8th
- Fri. 8th

School Photographs.

School Assembly – Mac TB.

Festival Week.

Final day of Term 1 – Dismissal 2.30pm.
WINTERS FLAT PRIMARY SCHOOL FETE

The Winters Flat Primary School Fete is a bi-annual event, and 2011 is a Fete year. The Fete Committee has started planning for this great event, which needs the support of all families to be an ongoing success. We are looking for volunteers who are able to organise a stall, give their time on the day and/or donate goods. While the exact date is still to be confirmed, the Fete will be held in September 2011. Below is a list of stalls for which we are looking for a key person to take on their organisation. You might also have ideas for other stalls, which we would love to hear about.

Please see Fiona Johnston if you need further information.

The 2011 Fete Committee,
Fiona Johnston, Mel Mitchell, & Katie Wilson.

Stalls available for organising:

1). Show Bags

2). Fun activities on the oval – jumping castle, baby animals, lolly hunt in straw, gumboot throw.

3). Tea & Scones

4). Food stall – baked potatoes, sandwiches (other ideas welcome)

5). Face Painting

6). Music / entertainment

7). Craft

Please complete the form below and return to the office or Fiona Johnston by Tuesday 22nd March 2011.

I am able to organise a Fete Stall

Preference for Stall

I can give time to a stall on the day of the fete

I can donate goods to a stall

Name: ___________________________________________

Contact Phone Number: _________________________

Child’s name and Grade: ___________________________________________

WINTERS FLAT PRIMARY SCHOOL FETE