PRINCIPALS REPORT

Workforce planning for 2017 is already well underway. We are pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs. Waterhouse to the position of P.E. / Art / Music until the end of 2018, with the school undertaking a half year music program next year.

With Mr. Bucknall absent for some time yet, we are delighted to announce that Mrs. Waterhouse will run our Library program until Mr. Bucknall returns. The Library program will run every second Friday, beginning today, the 21st of October.

Cluster Day – Just a reminder to parents to please return your permission form.

Our student numbers have increased to a very healthy thirty-five and the school will aim to build further on these numbers in 2017. An increase in student numbers is a direct reflection of the positive direction that the school is making, on social, emotional, behavioural and academic fronts. With dynamic and professional staff providing the impetus for this growth the school is well placed heading into 2017.

NEW STUDENT LEADERS

Senior Grade new student leader is Nir assisted by Paige.

Junior school leader is Owen Cummins.
SUSTAINABILITY

The theme this term is ‘Sustainability’. In the upcoming weeks the junior students will be exploring the 3 R’s - Recycle, Re-use and Reduce. As a part of this, students will have the task of designing something new out of something old. Please be prepared for your child / children to be collecting old items and / or recycling - to give a new purpose to something that would have been thrown away!

COOKING

Last Friday we made chocolate cupcakes. Most of the mixture was eaten before it made it into the patty pans.... the mixture that did make it into the oven came out as delicious cupcakes! A big thankyou to Jodie McPherson for helping out in the kitchen, the extra set of hands was greatly appreciated by myself and the students.
COOKING

Pumpkin and lemonade scones were on the menu on Wednesday. Students were allocated to new groups and it was fantastic to watch everyone demonstrating great teamwork and cooperation skills. As the weeks roll on, seeing students taking initiative; grabbing a broom or starting the dishes without having to be reminded is an example of their growth and learning in our cooking sessions; everyone works until the work is done, as they say!

PROJECT – SUSTAINABILITY

In science this week student’s explored climate change as part of our term four theme of sustainability. They completed an ecological footprint quiz to see the impact they are having on the planet, answering questions such as how much rubbish they throw out in a day and if they were driven to school in a car. Students also imagined they were a ‘miner’ for a day and had to mine coal from an open-cut site, using choc chip biscuits as the site. Students used a toothpick to see if they could ‘mine’ the choc chips out without damaging their landscapes they had drawn around their mine. They also had to see whether they could put the mine site back together and rehabilitate the land once all the coal (choc chips) had been mined.

LITERACY

Students continued their work on poems and made a story board of Banjo Paterson’s famous poem – Clancy of the Overflow. Students also wrote their own individual poem - a 'look out the window' poem - prompted by sights they saw outside the classroom window.
Look Out The Windows

My owner just left the house,
he is driving away as I bark at a mouse,
Then I see some trouble makers on their scooters,
I bark - then they flee - talking about fleas,
I’m itchy from my tea with medicine,
I see my owner’s car drive back, then he gave me a snack,
Now my owner’s snug up in bed, so I come and sleep on where I was fed!

By JOSH

I look out the Window.

I look out the window and see... Cockatoo flying and trees brushing though the air, thick like a storm... I see a stump sitting there - sad - it became happy because there was clear weather is here and the animals are back and it grew into a tree...

By Jahman
LABERTOUCHE OPEN GARDEN

30TH OCTOBER 2016

79 FOREST ROAD, LABERTOUCHE 3816

OPEN FROM: 10:00AM TO 3:00PM

COUNTRY GARDEN WITH OVER 160 ROSES, VARIOUS MATURE TREES, PERENNIALS, SUCCULENTS AND MANY MORE PLANTS AND SHRUBS

ALSO FOR SALE ON THE DAY: HOME MADE MARMALADE, GARDEN STAKES, LASER CUT SCULPTURES

ENTRY: $10.00 PER PERSON – INCLUDES REFRESHMENTS WITH A VIEW TO THE BAY

SOME PROCEEDS WILL BE USED BY THE LABERTOUCHE COMMUNITY CENTRE LADIES GROUP FOR THE REFURBISHMENT OF THE MULTI PURPOSE CENTRE CARPET.
Labertouche & District Community Centre

Halloween

Themed Night
Saturday 29th October
6.30PM
Kids come dressed in your best Halloween costume.
& Red Cross "Big Cake Bake" Auction.
(All Auction proceeds to Red Cross)
BBQ + BYO "Halloween" Sweets
Cost: $5/Head (Payable on night)
RSVP by 24/10/16
to president@labertouche.com.
(catering purposes only)
BYO Drinks
Prizes for best dressed Boy & Girl
NEERIM BOOKMARKER 2016

Recreation Reserve - Neerim South
11:00am - 4:00pm Sunday 23rd October 2016

Neerim Bower Arts Festival