FOCUS: Loyalty.
THEME: Loyalty is staying true to someone.

Dear Parents Friends and Carers,

Congratulations to our marvellous preps for a fantastic start to the school year. From next week our prep students will enjoy five full days of action, so please encourage them to have early nights over the weekend in preparation.

STUDENT LEADERS CONGRESS- Tomorrow our Year 5/6 Student Leader Community Action group will attend the inaugural Warrnambool District Student Leaders Congress at Deakin University. “What Does it mean to be a leader in your community?” is the question the students will explore during the Congress and they will leave with a school community based project to raise funds for Peter’s Project. The Student Community Action Group will provide regular updates on the Link and on our Blog so please watch their space and support them in every way possible.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS – Next Wednesday is School Photograph day – a gentle reminder for full summer uniform (please no track suits or leggings) and for girls hair ties in school colours.

STRONGER SMARTER LEARNING COMMUNITY SCHOOL TOUR Over the past three days Kate Buchanan and I joined ten members of the Warrnambool Stronger Smarter Learning Community for a 1400 kilometre round trip to visit exemplary schools in Shepparton and Mildura. These schools have diverse cultural student populations and have been acknowledged for their achievements in ‘Closing the Gap’ with their indigenous students. Kate and I found the experience very positive and affirming and the long trip home was perfect for putting together an iMovie of our trip to share ideas and inspirations with others to build on the already great work undertaken at Warrnambool East.

COMPASS- We are having difficulties with slow internet speed at the moment and this is a problem across all government schools. Hence Attendance data may not be on Compass at 9am as anticipated. We are working with schools across our network to rectify this problem.

KOORIE PREP ORAL LANGUAGE SCREENING ASSESSMENTS- The Warrnambool Network Speech pathologists have completed the prep screening for Koorie students across our Network and provided the feedback to parents and staff. This is a proactive initiative by our Warrnambool Network.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS- Nominations close tomorrow at 4pm and thank you to the people who have nominated. If an Election is required details will be in the Link next week.

Lindy
PREP AMBULANCE VISIT
This week our Prep students are learning words that start with the letter 'A'. Today they were lucky enough to have Phil from the Warrnambool Ambulance Station bring his Ambulance for the children to look at. They were fascinated with all the different cupboards and equipment. And of course all wanted to get in the ambulance and hear the sirens. Thanks Phil.

Walk to School.
On Friday we are having Walk to School Day. We will walk to school leaving from Guyetts (the old McDonald's) at 8:15. We will walk back to Guyetts leaving straight after school from the front gate.

There will be great prizes for people who walk, ride or scoot to school and remember part way is ok.

Congratulations Milli Fitzgibbon, Jaylen Chand, Paul Martin, Elyshia Lacy, Noah Haebich, Franke Bourke,
Congratulations Milli Fitzgibbon, Jaylen Chand, Paul Martin, Elyshia Lacy, Noah Haebich, Franke Bourke, Ella Westley, Jyah Chatfield and Jeremiah Bermudez on being chosen as Aussies Of The Month.

Monster trucks Visit
This week we were lucky enough to have a Monster Truck at school during our lunch time break. The general comment was "its huge!!!" The kids loved it!

2014 House Captains

1500metres, 800 metres
On Tuesday students in years 3-6 participated in the 800metres or 1500 metres events as part of our athletics sports.
It was great to see most children were prepared by wearing shorts and running shoes and their willingness to have a go was greatly appreciated.
The encouragement throughout the day was excellent.
The first 2 students (except Years 8/9s) are now eligible to compete in the interschool athletics sports to be held on Tuesday April 1st at Brauerander Athletics Centre.
Ribbons for the first three place getters will be presented at assembly on Friday.
See insert for results.

Ella Westley, Jyah Chatfield and Jeremiah Bermudez on being chosen as Aussies Of The Month.
Happy birthday
Harley Power   Deny Fawcett   Brooke Sanderson
Alexandra Stokie  Suzan Whitten  Owen Kirby
Hayley Richens

Warrnambool Independent Traders Market
180 Timor Street (old De Grandi’s Sports Shop)
Drop in for some bargains
Please support the business’ that support our school.

Student Banking
This week we banked a total of $396.45.
We had 45 deposits!
Room 21 is the winner this week with 8 deposits.
FANTASTIC EFFORT EVERYONE! KEEP THE GOOD WORK UP!
The mix up with our Reward Prizes has been fixed and we can expect to see them next week.
Thankyou for your patience in this matter.

Warrnambool East Primary School
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Make your name part of our ‘Historic Walk’

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