Hi everyone,

I hope that you had a lovely long weekend. It was great to see everyone all fresh and ready in school uniform for our photos on Tuesday.

Sun safe
Last week I had a visit from the cancer council in regards to being a sun safe school. They will be supplying us with sunscreen to encourage sun safety at school.

We already do many things to be sun safe such as: our hats, changing our lunch and recess times, sport/fitness outside of peak UV times and having our marquees for excursions.

School Development Days at the start of Term 2
As you may be aware the State Government has set aside an extra School Development Day at the start of Term 2 this year for schools to work on preparing for the implementation of the new national curriculum.
We will be taking part in professional learning on Monday and Tuesday (29th and 30th April). On Monday we will be working on other key focus areas from our school management plan, while on Tuesday we will be working at Dunoon with other schools on the English curriculum. Students will return to school on Wednesday 1st May.

Just a reminder, that next Thursday is our combined school night at Whian Whian School. It should be great night.

Cheers,
Alison Bath

What sculpture is to a block of marble, education is to the human soul.
~ Joseph Addison

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News from the Department of Education & Communities

Easter reading
Have your kids signed on for the Premiers Reading Challenge? Get a head start with Easter reading time. Booklists are here: What’s your child reading right now?
Find out more: https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html

April school holidays
Have you got April school holidays organised yet? It's not too late to book for a Sport and Recreation Kids’ Camp. Watch the video to see how much fun these kids are having.

Parent-teacher interviews
Have you got a parent teacher interview coming up? Here are some tips for getting the most out of these important meetings. Prepare a few questions to ask, and walk away with a plan.

School calendar
What's on when? Stay on top of school holiday, term and state examination dates across NSW.
Find out more: http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/calendar/?do=setViewPeriod&categoryid=2&viewType=yearView

Assignment starters A-Z
What projects or essays does your child have that are due by the end of term? One of them could be among the School A-Z website’s assignment starters – resources designed to point you in the right direction.

Buying an e-reader or tablet
E-readers may be a good way to get reluctant readers into books, plus they let you carry your library around with you wherever you go.

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Dear Inventor,

The program for the Design and Make day this term will be something like this:

**9:30**—You will be given the task to build something from equipment given to you. For example, you might be given a metre of string, some sticky tape, a paper clip, a ping pong ball, 2 blank cd’s, a 20cm piece of dowel and one page from a newspaper and you might be told to build a cannon that can shoot a marshmallow across the room. You will have access to a drill, hot glue gun, hammers, nails, saws, etc in the class workshop. (with the help of an older person if you like).

You will be given some time to design your invention and then you can begin to make it. There will be some High School students from Richmond River High School who will be able to help you if you need, but the designs will be mostly your own ideas. You will have until 2:00pm to work on your project, taking time off for the usual recess and lunch breaks.

**2:00**—We will have the testing of the inventions. Parents are welcome to come early to watch the test.

**2:30**—The day will conclude and you can go home with the person your school has organised you to travel with.

Please Note: The task described to you on this note in an example. It **IS NOT** the one you will be given. It is just an idea of the sort of thing that will be going on.

You don’t need to bring any equipment or tools, just your imagination and your recess and lunch.

The activities will be starting at 9:30am and will be finished at 2:30pm to allow schools to transport students to and from Whian Whian in time for normal school buses.

Hope to see you on the day

Mr Condon, Principal, Whian Whian Public School

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I hereby give permission for my son/daughter ______________________________ of Year 5/6 at Tuntable Creek Public School to attend the Design & Make Stage 3 Extension Day at Whian Whian Public School on Wednesday 10th April 2013.

I understand that travel to and from Whian Whian Public School will be by private transport. ______________________ will be travelling with ___________________________ to Whian Whian Public School.

Name: ________________________________

Signed: ________________________________ Date: __________________________