**ALLERGIES – PLEASE AVOID SENDING NUTS TO SCHOOL**
Just a reminder – we have a child at school with a serious allergy to nuts (anaphylaxis). We ask that you do not send any foods to school that contain nuts.

**2.15PM DISMISSAL LAST DAY OF TERM**

Next Tuesday’s (16th of September) last Active After School golf session will be held at the Halls Gap Golf Course. Students will travel in teacher’s and Active After School staff (Lisa and Neill) cars to and from the course. **Please let me know by next Monday if your child/ren will not be participating as it will affect the number of cars and helpers that we need.** Students will leave here at 3.15pm (sharp) and will return to the school for parent pick up by 4.30pm (a little extra time is being allowed for travel and ensuring students have a full hour at the course.) Parents are welcome to come to the golf course to assist with transport and groups. Should be lots of fun!

Over the next couple of days Bev Grace will be sharing her artistic talents and assisting our students to make clay plaques to be placed at the Halls Gap Botanic Gardens in time for the Wildflower Show. We have some art smocks here but if anyone has any spare old shirts (long sleeved preferably) they would be very much appreciated.

Thank you to Tracey E, Gjalt, Naomi, Kim, Courtney, teachers and students for helping out with last week’s working bee. With our, smaller than expected, numbers we have not finished everything we had hoped to (although the pile of weeds and sticks is impressive) so we will aim to have another working bee early in Term 4. You are most welcome to call in at anytime though and pull a few weeds.

Ja-San Trimble
Principal

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**JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS**

**Footy Colours Disco 2014**

On the last day of term 3 (the 19th of September) we are having a footy colours day. We encourage everyone to wear the colours or football gear of their favourite football team. During the day we will be doing footy skill activities and having a disco. We are organising the lunch, so don’t bring any lunch on the day. It is a gold coin donation which will be donated to the Fight Cancer Foundation who provide support to children and teenagers who are living with cancer.

Thank you - from Halls Gap Primary School Junior School Council
It's that time of year again !!!!! - Head lice has been reported to the school.

Please check and, if necessary, treat your child/family for head lice. If you find head lice in your family please remember to keep checking every 7 days for new lice, repeat treatments and hot wash all bedding, clothing, hats, beanies, headbands etc.

The following website offers further information: www.health.vic.gov.au/headlice

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**SCHOOL VALUES**

- **Honesty**
  - Being true to yourself, family, friends and teachers

- **Persistence**
  - Being confident, resilient and optimistic when striving to meet challenges

- **Humour**
  - To enjoy and celebrate with others

- **Initiative**
  - To contribute ideas, be flexible and demonstrate leadership

- **Commitment**
  - Being dedicated to do your very best

- **Teamwork**
  - Working with and sharing with others to enhance learning for everyone

- **Respect**
  - Treating self, others and your environment with care and respect.

*Please discuss these on a regular basis at home as a family.*

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Northern Grampians Shire Council would like to invite you to the opening of the North Park Athletics Track in Stawell.

Sunday 19th October, 2014. 11.00am – 2.00pm. North Park, Stawell.

Please join us to commemorate the official opening of the restored track. Activities include a Free Sunday BBQ, with entertainment and special guests, athletics events and celebrity races and opportunities to have a go on the new track.

For more information please contact:
Carly Garonne, Community Partnerships Officer: 5358 0507
EVENTS

Upcoming in September & October

13-18 September
Grampians Brushes
Halls Gap various venues, Grampians Road, Halls Gap

Grampians Brushes is a unique opportunity for artists to develop their passion for art making in the beautiful natural environments of the Grampians. Workshop for artists range from watercolors, coloured pencils, oil to drawing, print making, life drawing, charcoal, contemporary and traditional works.

For more information please visit the website: www.grampiansbrushes.com.au

3-5 October
Our Little Footsteps
Acacia Retreat Centre, Grampians Road, Halls Gap

This event is focused around families enjoying nature-based fun activities, learning about the native bush while connecting with each other and likeminded people.

For more information please contact: Lee-Anne Fairlartm on 0438 821 139

25-28 September
Stawell Orchid Show
Stawell Entertainment Centre, Main Street, Stawell

Commences at 9.00am until 5.00pm each day except Sunday from 10.00am to 4.00pm.

Showcasing orchids grown by local members.

For further details, please contact: John Welsh on (03) 5358 2146.

4-5 October
Grampians Wildflower Show
Botanic Garden, 1 School Road, Halls Gap 3381

A two day festival showcasing the spring wildflowers of the Grampians. There will be a treasure hunt for children through the Botanic Garden, a fantastic weekend you won’t want to miss.

For more information, please visit the website: www.grampianswildflowershow.org.au