Hello everyone,

Doesn’t Swayneville School have so much to be proud of regarding its students and staff? How could we not be inspired by the kids as they gave their best during the cross country? Or appreciate the honour and respect that was displayed during the Anzac Day parades and attendance on Saturday? Articles further in expand on these events.

The parent conference went off without a hitch yesterday, and while we only had relatively small numbers, we did have quality speakers and an interactive time of learning. The program presented covered the importance of developing oral language, managing behaviours and then taking it the final step to building and supporting resilience in children …. and maybe parents too! For those who supported the event, we trust that the contacts that you made and the information received will support you in your important task of parenting.

Four major events are rising on the horizon – NAPLAN, Mother’s Day stall, Under 8’s morning, and the all important social event and fundraiser – Raise the Roof Big Bash Fundraiser. A separate flyer has been attached to the newsletter so that you can put it on the fridge to remind you to round up a cricket team! A lot of time and effort has been poured in to encourage our community to come out and play … supporting our school on the way. Should be a really enjoyable event.

Changing tack – thanks for the dental forms that have been returned. It is not too late yet, so please drop them in at the office. Information on the AEDI data collection (effects families of prep children) also attached.

-- Roslyn Waldron (Principal)
Better conditions could not be had, when it came to our cross country on Monday afternoon. Thanks to all the family, who turned out to support the children as they had a go and conquered the distance. Special mention must be made of the escapee bovine who just wanted to join the run! Now that really does make it a country event!!

Congratulations to the place getters! Your certificates will be presented on parade. Sports Captains are to be congratulated on their leadership, and all those students who lent a helping hand or supported a classmate finish -- Well done.

Run Club is being suspended for the moment, while we trial a new before school program focusing on developing coordination in our early phase children. The planned activities focus on building children’s perceptual motor skills (muscle control). It has four easy to complete stations a morning, and parent helpers would be very much appreciated. At this stage, we kick off the trial on Thursday mornings with Year 1/2, and Prep/1 on the Monday mornings. (8:30 – 8:50) Like any change, this program may have a bumpy start, but staff are confident that the outcomes will be worth the effort.

P&C NEWS

Please lock in Saturday 16th May from 1pm til late for the 'Raise The Roof' Big Bash Fundraiser to assist with raising funds to provide an additional covered area for our school. Come along with your family and friends for an enjoyable afternoon and evening. All members of the wider community welcome!

The day will kick off at 1pm with a Cricket Competition, Bar & Food Stalls. Kid’s entertainment (incl. jumping castles) will run from 4pm-8pm - $10 for an Armband pre-paid, $15 paid on the day. Live band “Black Coral” from 6pm-10pm.

Cricket team nominations can be made to Glenn on 4950 4150 asap to secure your place ($35 per team, limit of 8 teams).

Payments for Armbands & Cricket Team Nominations can be made directly to the P&C Bank Account (no later than Wed 13th May), or to Mrs Hoare at the School Office. NOTE:- The bank details in the original flyer that was sent home were incorrect! They were the old account that has been closed. If you have already attempted to transfer funds these will have been returned to your bank account. The correct bank account details are BSB:- 124982 A/C:-- 22049368 A/C Name:- Swayneville State School P&C Association. Please use your Surname & the word 'Armbands' or 'Cricket' as the payment reference.

Call Wendy on 0418 756 493 if you have any enquiries re the event.
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Food for Thought

Isn’t it true that we all like to have plenty of friends, and we all love to feel that people care for us? What can you do though to make people like you?

Some people shock others into noticing them, through crazy behaviour or outrageous hair styles or clothing, but being noticed has nothing to do with being liked or loved.

I believe that there is only one sure way that guarantees you that you will never be short of friends. If you make a point of always looking for ways of helping those around you, and if you’re quick to lend a hand when it’s needed and willing to comfort someone who is experiencing tough times, then I am certain that love and friendship will flow back to you in abundance. To receive love you must first learn to give love.

A message from Chappy Di.

Year 4/5/6
Billy Randall & Lucy Hamblin: outstanding work in gardening club & showing good leadership.
Chris Malaya, Jaelee Spencer & Tahlaya Maguire: outstanding improvement in maths.

Year 3/4
Jakob Wallace West: great work in reading.
Tarrell Mooney: super listener award.

Year 1/2
Seth Whiting: giving 110% all of the time.
Charlie Carey: following 4B rules & always being considerate.

Prep/1
Bodhi McGill & Jett Davis: mastering staying under control.

50 Bee Stamps
Lawson McFadzen, Reed Beveridge, Jordannah Moren.

Bee Stamps.
Queen Bee: 3/4.

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