



DECEMBER 2012



CHRISTMAS ON THE TABLELAND 2012



An evening of fun and festivities for all the family, young and old alike

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Come along and join us
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SATURDAY 15TH DEC 2012
STRATHBOGIE REC GROUND
FROM 5.30PM ONWARDS

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR

A delicious meal of weber cooked meats will be served with a variety of succulent salads and your choice of gravy and mint sauce

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Commencing at 6.30pm for a Family BBQ, Christmas Carols and a visit from Santa. Parents please bring a pressie for children (\$20 or under).

Ladies please bring a plate of supper to share.

Everyone Welcome

All enquiries Betty Broughton 57905273 or 0429177809



What's on

December 6th - 7pm - Strathbogie School Play

December 7th - 7.30pm Community Film Night

December 10th - 9.30am Alternative Fertiliser Field Day at Hamilton's.

December 15th - Christmas on the Tableland

December 19th - 6.30pm - Kelvin View Christmas Tree

January 11, 12 & 13th - Strathbogie Tableland Summer Festival

January 26th - 9.30am - Strathbogie Hall Australia Day Celebration followed by Community BBQ

February 24th - Strathbogie Community Clearing Auction

Every Second and Fourth Sunday of the month - Church service at Strathbogie Church - 11.30am

Fortnightly - Guided Meditation—2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, 7pm—ph Julie 57905356

Fortnightly—Strathbogie Knitting Group 7pm. Ph Robyn 0408 529773 or Deb 57905398

Every Wednesday - Material Girls - 10am - Rec Ground - BYO lunch. Newcomers welcome - Ph Jenny Walker 57905111 or Jill Smith 57905159

Every Wednesday - 7.30pm Strathbogie Singing Group - St Andrews Church - Strathbogie ph Di Mackrell 57905241

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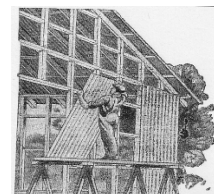
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Deadline - 25th January. Email: tablelandtalk@gmail.com), ph 57905203, post PO Box 23
Strathbogie, or leave contributions at the store. The TT team.

STRATHBOGIE TABLELANDS SUMMER FESTIVAL

JANUARY 2013

Strathbogie Tableland Festival Art Exhibition

Strathbogie Memorial Hall

Opening Friday 11th January 2013 @ 7.30pm

Local Wine Tasting

Saturday 12th & Sunday January 13th 9am - 4pm

Peoples Choice Awards Sponsored by Art & Frames Benalla

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Saturday 12th January 2013 @ 7pm

\$30.00 per head, Drinks at Bar prices.

Bookings Essential. Phone Helen Hill

57905320 or Joy Mackrell 57905294

Strathbogie Tableland Market Day

Sunday 13th January 2013

9am to 4pm

Strathbogie Memorial Hall & Grounds

Local Berries/ Cherries, Regional Wines, Jams & Preserves

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Enquiries to Toni Down 57908543

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Delish has arrived, so why not cook up a storm!

Earlier this year at a Peranbin Primary College School Council meeting, Jane Broughton raised the idea of developing a cookbook as a whole school fundraiser for our four campuses. After a number of months gaining advertising and sponsorship, calling for recipes and collating histories and photos of the Baddaginnie, Swanpool, Strathbogie and Violet Town schools we now have Delish.

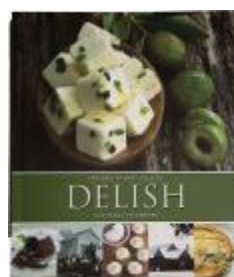
The cookbook contains more than 140 recipes from mango salad and prawn and avocado open ravioli to family favourites such as spaghetti bolognese and shortbread. Whatever your tastebuds desire you are sure to find a delicious treat in Delish no matter what.

The recipes were submitted by students, families and staff of Peranbin as well as our many friends in our community. There are even some recipes that until now have been kept as family secrets so we feel very privileged to have these included.

Delish is selling for \$30 a copy and can be purchased at the Strathbogie School and the Strathbogie General Store. After only a week the Strathbogie campus had sold more than 100 copies!

The money raised from Delish will go toward whole school activities and programs. As our campuses are spread far and wide the cost of travel can be a financial concern and we look forward to Delish helping to reduce the cost of travel for our families for special events and excursions as well as allowing us to purchase resources that would usually be a dream in the mind of the teachers and students in our public school system.

Thank you to everyone who contributed recipes, our advertisers and sponsors and to those who helped to find historical photos and documents to include. Enormous thanks must go to Sandra Barns and Sonia Chapman for their endless pursuit of advertisers and sponsors, both locally and further afield as well as to Nick Palmer for driving to Melbourne and back in a day with Jane to pick up the books. Finally, thank you to Jane Broughton, who through her foresight and tireless efforts to make sure we had contributions from as many people as possible as well as determining layout of recipes, photos and historical pieces on each campus has created a wonderful keepsake and beautiful cookbook. We are, as always, very much appreciative of your support.



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Transit

by Donmil

Said the Earth to the Sun:
 I thought we were one
 And that no-one could come in between us,

But I'm clearly mistaken –
 My faith has been shaken
 By some brazen hussy called Venus.

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 Dec 7 - 9 - "Once Upon a Time in Anatolia" (M) &
 "The Well Diggers Daughter" (PG)
 Dec 14 - 16 - "Jiro Dreams of Sushi" (G) &
 "Polisse" (MA)
 Dec 21 - 23 - "Monsieur Lazhar" (PG-13) &
 "Turtles Can Fly" (M)
 Dec 28 - 30 - "Moonrise Kingdom" (PG) &
 "The Bourne Legacy" (M)
 New Year's Eve - "Bringing Up Baby" (PG) &
 "42nd Street" (G) - \$20 inc supper.

Start Times - Friday and Saturday 7.30pm and
 Sunday 5.00pm (note October Sunday time
 changes to 6pm)
 Double feature: \$12.50/\$10

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STAG REPORT - The Strathbogie Tableland Action Group (STAG) met on 15th October and again on 12 November, 2012. Items of interest discussed have been:

- The draft action plan is being worked on and will be completed by the end of the year.
- STAG has been represented at two forums at the Council offices – one a regular meeting of all action groups to inform Councillors and executive officers about current projects and concerns; the latter held in October was part of an induction day for the new Council.
- Pete Kelly is investigating making improvements to the community notice-board.
- Films were chosen for film night on 7th December and offers made to advertise this evening as widely as possible. Suggestion put forward that future film nights could have a theme eg comedy, music.
- Doug Watson offered to be trained in the use of the sound equipment at the hall.
- Undecided as to whether STAG will have a stall at the summer festival as a number of committee members will be away that weekend.
- A letter will be written to the new councillor for Mt Wombat ward, Mr. Robin Weatherald, seeking his support for pursuing funds to house the new generator at the Place of Last Resort (Golf Club) and other improvements that are needed to make the PLR safer for the community.

The STAG committee would like to thank Liz Scarfe, community development officer at the Shire and soon to be leaving that position, for the tremendous support she has given to the Action Group this year.

Next STAG meeting date has not been set and will take place in 2013.



At left:
Main Street,
Strathbogie

Call for more Community Grant Applications (13th November 2012)



The Strathbogie Shire is calling for more submissions to its *Streets of Initiatives* grants program.

Grants of up to \$1000 are available to groups of neighbours to do small projects together. The goal of the grant is to support neighbours to work together in informal ways and to make it easier for people to access funds for small projects.

For a project to be eligible it needs to have one of the following goals;

- Promoting social connection
- Improving the appearance of a shared space
- Facilitating the sharing of resources or ideas
- Promoting health and wellbeing.

Some examples of projects that could be undertaken include street gatherings/BBQs, cleaning up a section of local creek, park or curb-side gardens, local mural or other community art project, tool-sharing or car-pooling scheme, local walking group – the project ideas are endless!

The grant is not open to formal community groups and no ABN is needed to apply for this grant.

A group of neighbours is not just people living on the same street in a township, but also includes farming neighbours.

For further information about the Streets of Initiative Grants and all other grants, please contact Annette Ross, Community Development Officer, on 5795 0086 or via email info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au

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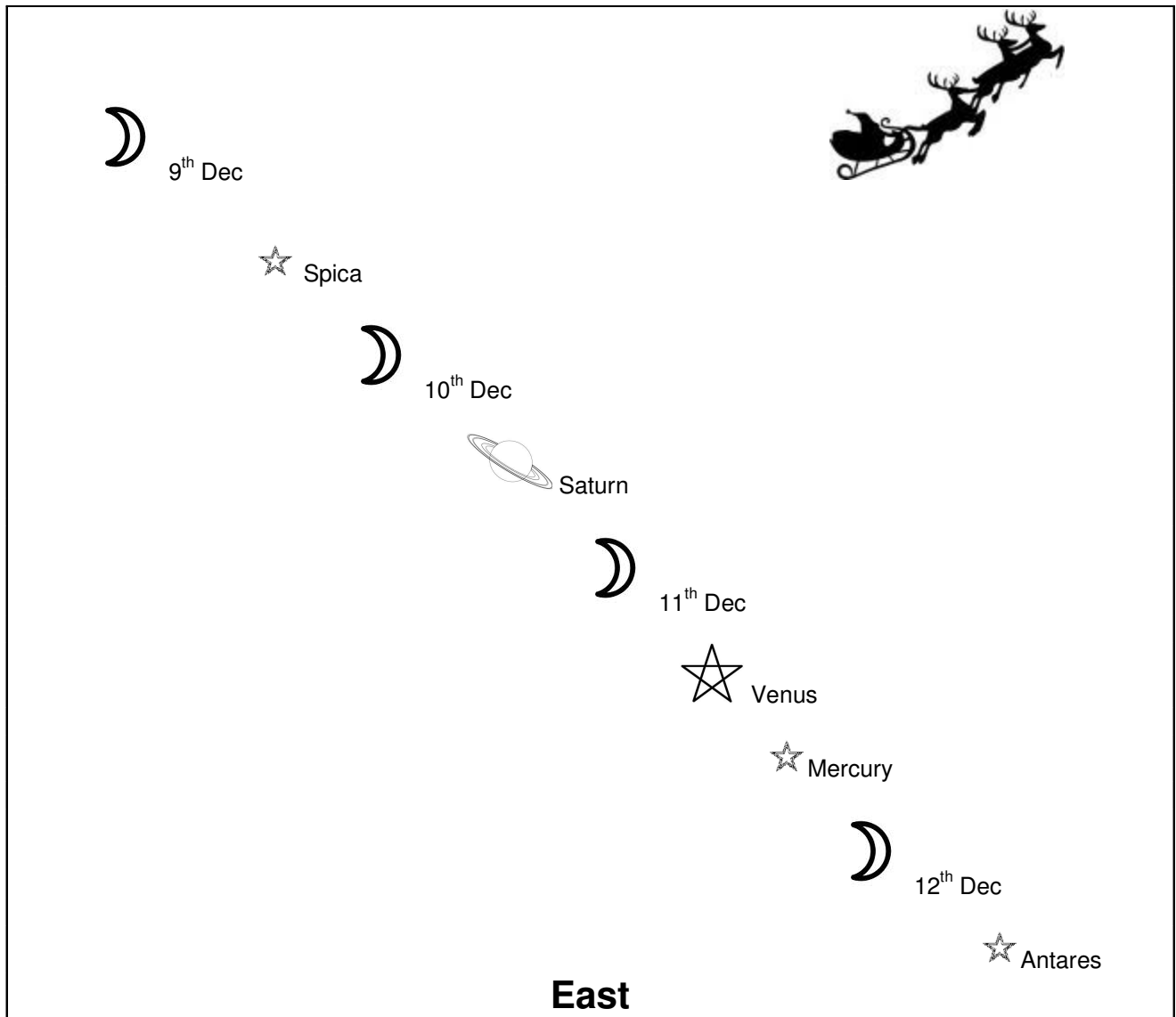
A new online community service is now available and is being trialed in the Strathbogie area. The Altarnik website may be used to promote community activities, services or goods including gifted, for sale and bartered entries as well as wanted items. Listings are easily searchable and contact with other users is initially made via secure email.

Please visit: <http://altarnik.cloudfoundry.com>

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Stargazing in Strathbogie



The view from Strathbogie looking east, 30 mins before dawn from the 9th –12th of December.



You will have trouble seeing this picture, but a cow was in the Hall yard a couple of weeks ago - very distressed and very messy. A good Samaritan helped out the hall committee by cleaning up the mess left. The cow was returned to its rightful home.



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535m Music and Arts with Altitude Festival 2013

Things are gearing up for the next 535m Music & Arts with Altitude Festival in Strathbogie on 15-17 March 2013. The festival, in its third year, is shaping up to be another exciting cultural community event. Last year's Bollywood theme, with headline band *The Bombay Royale* rocked the Strathbogie Hall on the Saturday night, and the theme for 2013 will be the hot and spicy Mexican Fiesta, with another top band, *Sin Frontera*, booked for the Saturday night gala event.

The 535m Arts Festival is a whole weekend of creative arts, theatre and music. The focus of the festival is always to provide opportunities to encourage the community to participate and share in arts and cultural activity.

Other music opportunities will include an 'open mic' session, providing a forum for our local musicians, and in particular, the Strathbogie youth, to perform.

The visual arts will once again take centre stage in the old Strathbogie Hall, a privately-owned exhibition space, rechristened 'Under the Sun'.

A number of workshops have been scheduled throughout the summer where the decorations for the Mexican Fiesta night will be made. Members of the community, old and young, will participate in these free workshops. Different Mexican art and craft techniques will be used, including paper cut-outs, god's eyes, tin embossing, paper flower making, paper mache and piñata construction. Participants are free to keep their art, lend it to the festival or just take part in the decoration-making for the transformation of the Strathbogie Hall for the Saturday night Fiesta. The workshops will also include Mexican music and food and some will end with an appropriately-themed movie.

The first workshop was on 24 November and the remaining ones will be on Jan 13, Jan 27 and Feb 3 at 'Under the Sun'. Details and bookings: Dana 0432 962 400 or danastrathbogie@gmail.com.

In 2013 the theatre performance program will again utilise the wonderful atmosphere of the Strathbogie Church. 2013 will see the theatre being staged on the Sunday afternoon of the Festival weekend and will present a wistful and romantic performance of the George Bernard Shaw classic 'Wooing'.

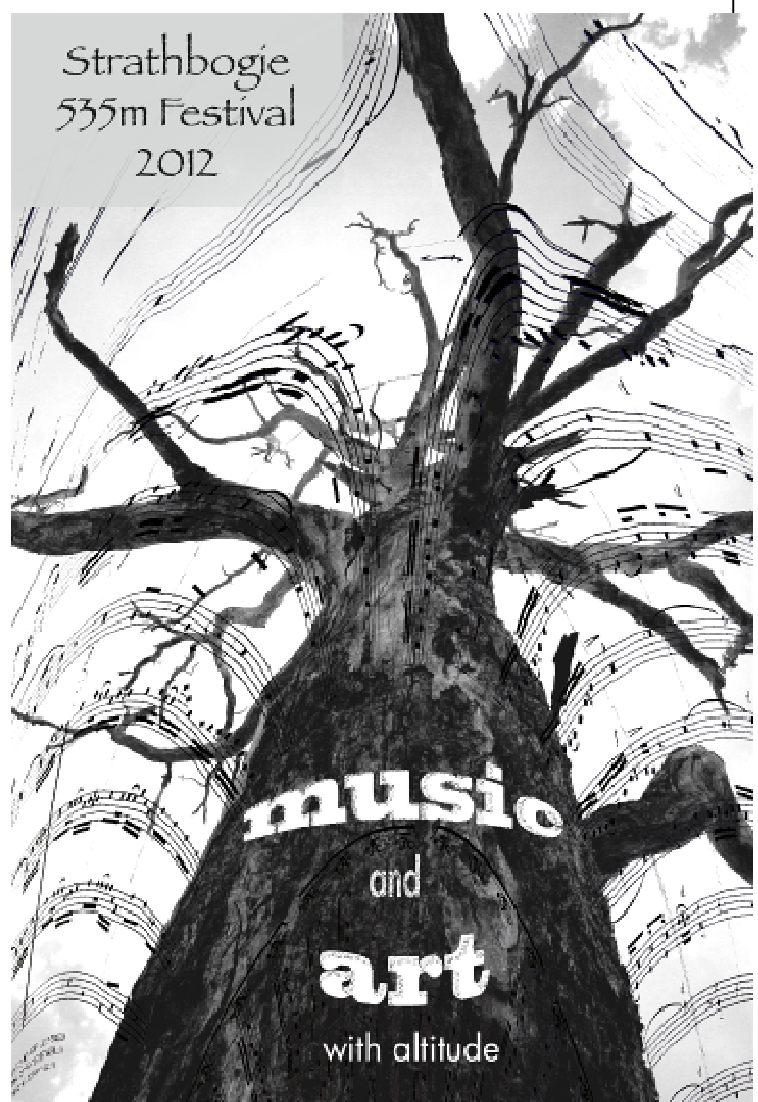
Also on the Sunday, will be a country market set up beside the art exhibition enticing visitors with aromas of Mexican food, coffee, the chai tent and market stalls.

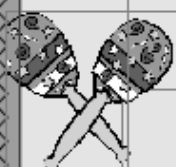
The program for the weekend includes singing, meditation and yoga workshops, storytelling around the bonfire and gospel singing. Visitors are invited to join with the Strathbogie community in these activities. For further information and to book for the Saturday night event, contact Lisa on 0488 173 143, or visit us on facebook (535m Music and Art with Altitude).

Call for Entries

2013 535m Art Exhibition
All forms of art welcome

Call Lisa 0488 173 143





MEXICAN SUMMER IN STRATHBOGIE



• Mexican Art • Craft • Food • Drink • Films • Gatherings

We have planned a summer of workshops and celebration as we work towards a huge **Mexican Fiesta** on *Saturday 16 March 2013* as part of the **535m Festival**.

Some Mexican inspired decoration ideas we will be working on are paper cut-outs, god's eyes, tin embossing, paper flower making, papier Mache and piñatas.

Come and play with some different art techniques. Keep your art and lend it to the festival or just take part in the decoration making for the transformation of the Strathbogie Hall for our Mexican Fiesta in March.

Saturday November 24
Mexican Party Launch of the
festival preparation season
Time: 2pm until late - come any-
time.
At: 'Under the Sun' Main Street
What: Decoration making table
Come for Mexican food at 7pm
(\$5 donation)
Party on with the sounds of Mexico
BYO Mexican drinks
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Sunday Jan 13
Workshop 2

Time: 2pm
At 'Under the Sun'
Decoration making,
BYO drinks
Bring Mexican food to share
Movie at 7pm



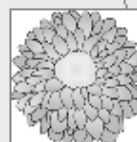
Sunday Jan 27
Workshop 3

Time: 2pm
At 'Under the Sun'
Decoration making
Bring Mexican food to share
BYO drinks
Movie at 7pm



Sunday Feb 3
Workshop 4

Time: 2pm
At 'Under the Sun'
Decoration making,
BYO drinks
Bring Mexican food to share



Strathbogie Campus

DECEMBER 2012

‘Ned Kelly -The Play’!

Recently we saw everyone dressed in olden style clothing for our big filming of the blacksmith scene, in the old blacksmith’s shop. Thanks to Sandra and Eleanor Barns for bringing in Ginger and Dozer. Sim Ayres and Kate Long brought in an old carriage as well as farm machinery and thanks to Graeme Frigo for opening up the blacksmith so we could film AND have a good look around inside and learn about the building and the work that used to take place. Check out a few of the snapshots we captured during our exciting morning.

Thanks also to Kellie Middleton and Kate and Sim again, for their work on the backdrops for the play. The kids have been involved in painting the town scenery with Kate and Sim with the next back drop to be a bush scene, after which we move on to making some on stage props such as building facades and the like.

With the script finalised all students now have their own copy and are practising their lines at home and at school; each day’s read through is better than the one before; the effort is evident as to how much work they have been doing as we randomly ask people to say their line/s from a given scene. The students have worked together with staff to write the script which is full of facts based on research undertaken by the students.

**Everyone is welcome to join us at the Strathbogie Hall on
Thursday 6th December at 7pm to see
‘Ned Kelly—The Play’,
a Strathbogie Campus original production!**



Top left: The Strathbogie kids look the part.
Top right: Malachi Wild as John Metzke, the blacksmith in Strathbogie.
Far left: Ginger and Ryley McDonald in between takes
Left: Jacob Chapman, Sofia Valmorbida and Jack McDonald enjoy a break. In filming

Ellen Conroy's Retirement

As the end of the school year draws ever closer we are usually happy and looking forward to holidays, especially Christmas. This is still the case but at the same time we are all starting to feel the sad reality that Ms Conroy will be retiring on Friday 21st December. For those in the community who have not had the pleasure to meet Ellen during her time in Strathbogie might want to drop in before the school year ends.

We all enjoy the many things that she brings to our school and wider community. Past and present pupils and families would agree that Ellen is more than a teacher at our school; the dedication and love that she has for teaching and her students is obvious as is her love of Strathbogie, the school and the wider community. Ellen is actively involved in so many Strathbogie community activities, many of which do not directly link to "school stuff"; this trait is great for the kids to see as it harbours such a strong sense of community and this is evident when you step into the school. Ellen has worked tirelessly to make sure that the Strathbogie School is a safe and happy place where anything is possible as long as you believe in yourself and have others who believe in you.

We will miss her terribly but know that she will be visiting and seeing through some jobs in a voluntary capacity next year—just further proof that she is a pretty special one that we have all been lucky to know.



Charli (at left) and Buzz (above) getting to know the chooks with Sofia

Phillip "Wild Man" Green Impressed Us All!

We had a wild and wonderful time recently when we travelled to Violet Town for a performance by Phillip "Wild Man" Green. Staff and students alike sat in awe of a great presenter who shared his love and knowledge of all things indigenous with us for more than 90 minutes. The ears and eyes were trained towards Phillip as he showed photographs of himself and his four children (Professor Poo, Critter Kid, Xray and Slime Ball) out and about discovering amazing things about the survival technologies of the oldest known people in the world. From using the mandibles of bull ants as sutures to stitch a wound, to different uses of roo poo super glue, collecting and carrying over a litre of water in a human skull and of course food survival techniques including eating grubs (looked tasty in the frying pan) as well as how to squeeze water out of a frog—frog wee could be the difference between dying of thirst and surviving. After his presentation, each group of children had almost 30 minutes to look through, touch and feel artefacts and replicas of many of the items they had learned about.



Prep Orientation

Charli Hill, Buzz Valmorbida, Breeanna Simpson, Bridget Rowe and Sonny Lester

are our five new preps for 2013 and we have enjoyed having them join us this term for their orientation program. With the duration of their visits increasing as the term moves from 2 hours to 5 hours and soon all day (!) the kids have really settled in well to their new "home away from home". One of the favourite things is getting to spend some time with our ever growing chickens.

Charli even celebrated her 5th birthday with us on her last visit with a delicious chocolate cake—thanks Charli and Katie for letting us join in.

We all love having the 5 newbies visiting, especially the games they play and hugs and smiles they give us.

Active After School Communities (AASC) Thanks!!

Many thankyou's to community members Neil Barter, Paul Buckley, Greg and Jady Roberts and David McDonald who have been helping Ellen, Chris, Damin and Kate with our Active golf lessons at the Bogie Golf Club this term. The skill development in everyone is really showing through and we are now enjoying playing a few holes each session.

As golf runs for one session a week we recently started Circus Skills during the second session. This has been very entertaining to watch as the kids are learning all sorts of things from juggling balls and clubs to teaching a hula hoop to run away and stay and even to come back! Run by Damien from Kelly Sports, the kids are having a great time trying so many new things.