

Bushfire **EAR** Emergency Aftermath Rebuild

**How Bushfire EAR can help you in regards to the bushfire aftermath:**

- \_ Provides immediate counselling when you need it, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and also has an option of a Call Back Service to provide you with on-going support.
- \_ We will speak to men and women about any issues related to the Victorian bushfires.
- \_ It's anonymous and confidential.
- \_ Professional staff will answer your call.

**Some of the ways that Bushfire EAR Call Back Service may help:**

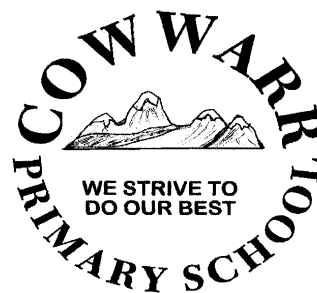
- \_ Allow you to tell your story.
- \_ Dealing with physical and emotional reactions.
- \_ Re-connecting with relationships in your community.
- \_ Referrals to other professional services.
- \_ Help you to find the information you need to rebuild your life.
- \_ Assist you to solve problems in a practical way.
- \_ Help you to return to your usual activities.
- \_ Discuss ways to support your family and children.

**How do I register for the Bushfire EAR Call Back Service?**

- \_ Contact Bushfire EAR on 1300 78 99 78.
- \_ Follow the menu option to be put through to an intake counsellor for the Bushfire EAR.
- \_ The intake counsellor will record your details and listen to your requirements and explain Bushfire EAR.
- \_ A Call Back counsellor will contact you within 72 hours.



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Calendar

Bugblitz- Wednesday 19th August 2009  
UNSW Mathematics Competition- Thursday 20th August 2009  
Book Character Parade - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August at 9.00am  
Rural Schools Athletic Sports- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2009  
Footy Colours Day – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September  
Zone Athletics- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2009  
Term 3 ends on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2009 at 2.00pm  
Family Treasure Hunt – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October

**Athletics Sports**

The Rural Schools Athletics Sports will take place on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2009 at the Little Athletics Oval in Sale. All children are expected to attend as this is a normal school day. If you have trouble taking your child please arrange with someone else to take them. Training has already commenced and children are encouraged to bring or wear sports shoes for Wednesday (Prep-3) and Thursday (Grade 4-6). Thank you. Our Parents Club will be organising tea or coffee (\$1.00), biscuits or slice (50cents) and sausages (\$1.50) again this year. Thank you to the parents for organising this event.

**UNSW Competitions**

On Monday morning at assembly, children were awarded with the University of New South Wales Science Competition certificates. Congratulations to the following students who received certificates. Enjoy the photograph. James O'Brien-Distinction, Credits –Loretta Stewart, Jarrod Biram, Madison Galllagher, Siobhan Morgan, Participation-Kyung Stewart, Darcy Iseppi, Bonnie Coleman, Ben Bould and Matilda Biram. The mathematics competition will be held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2009.

### **Bug Blitz**

Grades 3/4/5/6 are again involved in BugBlitz this year and have been invited to join a number of other schools to the Heart Morass on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August. The activities they are undertaking will be different to last year. They will be going on discovery walks for bug trapping and identifying, gauging water quality, having discussions with a reptile handler and planting trees. Children need to be dressed in school uniform and maybe bring a jacket and beanie. They also need playlunch, lunch and a drink bottle.

Could all parents of these students please remember to fill in the form to allow film footage taken on the day to be used by the media. Thanks Chris Ballard

### **Tuckshop**

Next week is the last week of tuckshop. We are having yummy homemade beef and vegetable pies made by Tania Coleman.

### **Reports**

There are still a few families who have not returned their children's reports. Please do so as soon as possible.

### **Camps**

Wilson's Promontory (Grade 3-6) will be held in the week of Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Jeans for Genes Day**

Last Friday the children wore jeans to school to 'Raise funds for today's scientists for tomorrow's children'. \$44.15 was raised.

### **Transition Day**

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2009 there will be another 'Transition Day' for children planning to attend Maffra Secondary College next year. It will be held at the Morrison Street Oval in Maffra. The information about the bus pick-up has been forwarded.

### **School Newsletter**

If you would like a copy of the newsletter emailed to you could you please let Barb at the office know via email at [cowwarr.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:cowwarr.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au). The newsletter is also put on our website each week at [www.cowwarrps.vic.edu.au](http://www.cowwarrps.vic.edu.au)

### **BOOK PARADE IS NEXT THURSDAY - 20 August 9: am**

Only a week to go until we all dress up as our favourite book character. The parade starts at 9:00am, so children can come to school dressed up and change into more comfortable clothes when the show is over.

Please make sure your child knows who they are going to be dressed as by Monday, because that is when we shall be writing the words they will be reading out over the microphone on the big day.

This will be a celebration of reading and a time to share ideas about the books we have enjoyed.

If you have any questions or worries, please come and see me.

Looking forward to your support,

Marg Reisinger



Photos of the children picking and preparing the vegetables out of the school garden for tuckshop.