At our School Council meeting last Wednesday we agreed to take up the opportunity to conduct another cake stall at the Romsey Uniting Church Christmas Market on Saturday 1st December. We would like raise funds for the purchase of a new chicken coop to be located nearer the main buildings of the school. The old coop is along way from the buildings and we believe we can integrate learning of life cycles and the responsibility of looking after animals with a new facility, nearer to our students and teachers.

Further details in next week’s newsletter.

Congratulations to the following students who received Student Achievement Awards:

- **Year Prep—2**
  Chloe Bonnici — For listening, trying and then understanding the counting task.

- **Year 3-6**
  Zoe O’Brien — For setting a good example in her lunch eating choices.

NAPLAN results were sent home late last term to parents with students in year 3 & 5 who completed the tests. We now have online access to the answers given by students in their tests. This is a valuable tool in that teachers can see the answer given and interpret how the student was thinking in answering the question in that way. Any parent who would like some more in depth feedback on their child’s NAPLAN results - see John to make an appointment.

Parents are reminded that our last ‘Curriculum Day’ for this year is Monday 5th November. Students are not required to be at school on this day. Staff will be working with Ultranet Coach Leslee Rees for half the day. The rest of the day we will be planning for 2013, planning our assessment schedule for confirming student progress for the December student reports and updating the cataloguing system for the library.

School Council has asked that we have a working bee this Friday 2nd November straight after school. The main tasks are mowing and weeding. Please bring line trimmers (whipper snippers), hand mowers and shovels, gloves etc. I believe we could have most jobs completed by between 4.30pm & 5.00pm.

Absence note proformas were included with the newsletter last week. **It is a requirement that parents provide an written explanation with every student absence.**

Many parents provide explanations regarding student absences by phone call or speaking to teachers before or after school. As much as this is very much as appreciated, we also require a written explanation. This is a Education Departmental requirement.

We have a significant number of students currently suffering from hay fever and other respiratory ailments. Could parents please ensure that appropriate medication is sent to school and given to teachers in such circumstances. Could parents of asthmatic students please check with teachers to see if ventolin medication held by the school for their child is not out of date. Lastly we would appreciate that if your child requires tissues due to hay fever, that they bring some from home.
Summer uniform stock is now available. Polo shirts are available in most sizes for $22. There are also girls skorts (a sort of cross between a skirt and shorts) available for $10

See Kellie Bonnici—uniform co-ordinator

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What’s on this month?
* $14 Weekday Lunch Specials *
(Also available Saturday in Romsey)
* $7 Coffee & Cake All Day *
* Kids Eat Free from 5pm-7pm *
* Wednesday Oyster Night *
(Only at Romsey)
* $14 Bar Meals Mon-Wed *
(Only at Sunbury)
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On November 17 a special Benefit Concert will be held in aid of Woodend's Resonance String Orchestra.

Founding member of the internationally-acclaimed Flinders Quartet and renowned cello soloist Zoe Knighton will be presenting a program of Bach's solo cello suites. Funds raised will go towards the orchestra's Visiting Artists Program, which employs a range of professional musicians to work with the orchestra's students.

“The six suites by J.S. Bach form the centrepiece of cello literature and their mystique, ingenuity and sheer beauty continues attracting all lovers of music. They have become some of the most loved pieces of string music – perfect for bringing attention to the wonderful work Resonance String Orchestra is doing with Woodend locals.
I am so proud to be associated with such a vibrant group of musicians!”
Zoe Knighton

The concert will be held at 2:30 pm at the St. Ambrose Church, Woodend, on Saturday November 17. Tickets $20/$15 or Family tickets $55
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