Last week we concluded our Fathers Day raffle. The winners were draw and the prizes delivered. The raffle, organised by Deb Montenay (Ben and Sophie’s Mum) raised an amazing $450. This feat was achieved by families selling tickets but largely due to Sophie spending her Saturday mornings selling tickets at our local towns. Sophie did a great job and it was decided that the money raised from this raffle will go towards donating art supplies to our local Kinders. A very big thanks, and well done to Deb and Sophie for running this and selling a lot of tickets.

This Thursday will be our last skiing day for the year. This year’s skiing program with Mitta Primary has been a huge success with all the kids really enjoying the skiing sessions. We have been very lucky with the weather and the program has run very smoothly. A big thanks to Amanda Gay and Jessica Glabbatz for coming along to take charge of the kids, and particularly Jess for providing the support vehicle.

On Monday the students and I attended the Spirit of Anzac display at the Wodonga Leisure Centre. The display was a great experience and I really enjoyed walking through it with the kids and seeing their reactions to topics they had studied and developed a great deal of interest in. This is a picture of Ben in front of the famous painting titled ‘Menin Gate at Midnight’ by Will Longstaff.

Our last School Council was unfortunately postponed. It will now be held on Tuesday the 13th of October next term starting 6.00pm.

Starting next term the students must wear a broad brimmed or school approved bucket hat. The school sells bucket hats if parents need to purchase one for their child. As per our School Council Policy, hats must be worn in terms 4 and 1. Students without hats will be asked to play in the outdoor shelter.

Next Tuesday we will be having a visit from the Victorian Concert Orchestra. This is a great opportunity for our kids and we are really looking forward to it. If there are any parents who would like to drop in, the Orchestra will be at our school from 1.00-2.00pm to perform and let the kids have a play of some of the instruments. With our Canberra Camp in the first week of Term, we really need to be confirming numbers. We require all students who plan on attending having their forms completed and returned to school no later that this Friday the 11th of September, thanks.

Our website is having a content upload. We have links to the newsletter as well as some examples of student work and photos from the year. If you have relatives who live away, or just want to see what we are up to, please pass on the website address. uppersandycreekps.vic.edu.au

This is our last newsletter for the term. I hope everyone has a good relaxing break. Really looking forward to next term and some warmer weather. Don’t forget school finishes at 2.15 on Friday the 18th next week. Go Tiges!!
LEGO MINDSTORM

A few weeks back Brenton Holloway came down to school to take the kids through some Lego Mindstorm robotics. Boy, have the kids been busy since creating all sorts of interesting contraptions, all programmed to move and function using the Mindstorm Robot’s many sensors. We have uploaded to our webpage a Mindstorm video that we hope you go and have a look at, as well as a few photos.

The kids have really enjoyed spending time designing, creating, programming and then testing the robot. A big thanks to Brenton for coming down. Next term we will have 4 Mindstorm robots and will be having, Robot Wars! We are looking forward to that!