Walcha Indoor Hockey commences next term. It is held Thursday afternoons. For more information please contact: Larissa on 0428 771 271, Edwina on 0427 772 297 or Leanda on 0427776460.

BUS SAFETY

Following some recent incidents with students injured, please remind your children:

**Wait until the bus has gone and then use a safe place to cross the road.**

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**COME AND TRY HOCKEY**

for primary school children

**WHEN:** Saturday 2nd April
9-10.30am

**WHERE:** Hockey Centre UNE

**COST:** FREE

Top quality coaches and mentors.
Parent information available

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**DO YOU WANT TO TRY GOLF IN THE HOLIDAYS?**

A clinic will be held at Uralla Golf Club on Sunday April 17th from 10am well into the afternoon. Lunch is provided for participants. If you have clubs, bring them – if not, we’ll lend you some.

For more information contact Bruce McMullen on 0419013560.

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**Calendar Term 1/2**

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Show cakes

With the expert help of Mrs Chiswell and Mrs Wall, Niangala students put on their aprons to decorate cakes for entry into the hotly contested baking section of the Walcha show.
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HOME READING PROGRAM

CONGRATULATIONS to Isabell, Charlotte and Tahlia who have completed 25 nights of Reading. Niangala Public School encourages all students to read widely and as often as possible. Some of the benefits of reading include enhanced communication skills, improved writing skills, increased independence and self confidence, vocabulary expansion and broadening of outlook and horizons. Finally reading is great entertainment and is the perfect way to wind down before bedtime!

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Niangala students celebrated Harmony Day by discussing the meaning of Harmony Day, completing some fun activities to convey the meaning of inclusiveness and designing their own posters.

Harmony Day, 21 March, celebrates Australia’s cultural diversity. It’s about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. It is a day for all Australians to embrace cultural diversity and to share what we have in common. The central message for Harmony Day is that everyone belongs reinforcing the importance of inclusiveness to all Australians.

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