DATES TO REMEMBER

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PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

My apologies for some inaccurate dates posted in last week’s newsletter. Rest assured that this week’s newsletter has amended all inaccuracies. Please note a change in canteen day & dates from last week’s post. Canteen will only run once this term.

SCHOOL CANTEEN
School canteen will run on Tuesday 1st March. Keep an eye out for the first canteen menu I in the coming weeks.

Student Medical Alerts - ASTHMA PLANS

We are in the process of updating every child’s details on our system. Part of this involves updating medical information for children that have an asthma diagnosis. If your child does have asthma, we need their current treatment plan, signed by their doctor. All children who are asthmatic will be sent home an Asthma Care Plan. Please return these as soon as possible so we can update your child’s details.

MORNING ASSEMBLIES

A reminder that morning assemblies will be run on Friday mornings, starting at 9.00 am in the multi-purpose room. All parents are welcome to attend to keep up to date with events and celebrate students’ achievements.

School Uniform & Hats

A reminder to parents that during terms one and four children are required to wear school hats when outside. Please make sure that your child has a school hat for these terms. Hats are required to be left in students’ desks or tubs and not taken home each night. See Vikki in the office if your child requires a new hat - $10 each, Students have been advised that if they take their jumpers off at play they will need to tie them around their waist and not place them on the ground or seat. This way the children can take responsibility for their belongings and also it helps minimize lost property issues. Finally, school uniform is expected to be worn at all times at school.
PREPS & 2016
Another reminder that our new prep students for 2016 do not attend school on Wednesdays for the month of February. After February they will attend every day. This arrangement allows the school to conduct important Online Assessments for P-1 students on these days. The assessments will include an interview with parents to discuss and inform you on your child’s performance. If you have not received a relevant notice and made an interview time, please see Mrs P as soon as possible.

SCHOOL CHARGES 2016
Parent contributions for 2016 are due by Friday February 27th. Fees are $230 per student, which covers booklist items (workbooks, stationery, pencils etc.), 24/7 online access to Mathletics, Reading Eggs, & Sound Waves online classroom resources, as well as photocopying and other consumables provided to students during the year. Please pay your contributions by the due date. To make alternative payment arrangements, see Vikki in the office on Wednesday or Friday.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
Calling all school councillors. There will be an extraordinary school council meeting this Wednesday 24th February at 6.30 pm. Any new parents who would like to join school council there is a position available this year. Interested parents should fill in the attached nomination form and return it to school ASAP. School council would like to thank Olivia Martin for all her hard work and support as a councillor over the last few years. Olivia is retiring from school council this year.

HOME EC LEVY
Letters regarding the Home Ec Program will be sent home shortly, including a request for payment of the first term levy - $20 for first child, $10 for each subsequent child.

SPORTING SCHOOLS PROGRAM – 2016
Our Sporting Schools program starts in week 4 this term - Monday 15th February. This term we will only have one sport a week running after school. Softball will run on Monday afternoons running from 3.45 pm – 4.45 pm. The other sport-gymnastics will be run during school time on Fridays starting on Friday 26th February. A permission form for gymnastics will come home shortly. Please fill in the form below if you wish to participate in after school softball.

*STARTS THIS MONDAY*

SPORTING SCHOOLS TERM 1
I ………………………………… give permission for my child ………………………… in grade ……………………… to attend the SPORTING SCHOOLS program for term 1.

Softball Monday

Signed: ……………………..Date……………………

SCHOOL BANKING
School banking is on Fridays again this year.

NICHOLA SHEPHERD
‘Hey! How did you get home on your birthday?’ Check out Nichola’s ride this week. Nichola, being given the royal treatment by her grandpa on her birthday.
SCHOOL DROP OFF TIME

The school yard is supervised from 8.45 am until 9.00 am every weekday. If dropping your child off prior to 8.45am, please ensure you supervise them yourselves or negotiate with me an alternate arrangement to ensure they are suitably supervised before school. At 8.45 am, our yard duty teacher will take clocks on for duty.

LAND FOR WILDLIFE PROJECT

Chris Brook’s has just about completed the fence around the frog bog. Mrs P & I are very excited with the development taking place. We’re both very keen to start landscaping and planting out with the students over the coming weeks.

Diary Dates

House Sports Thursday 10th March
-whole school
District Aths Day Friday 18th March
- Grade 3/4/5/6 students

German – Deutsch

Grade P/1/2/3 students continued learning names of colours.
Grade 4/5/6 students practised simple greetings in a variety of activities.

Art

Please ensure your child has a named artsmock.
Prep students mixed primary colours to make secondary colours. Grade 1/2/3 students completed last week’s painting activity.
Grade 4/5/6 students practised writing their name in graffiti style.

Phys Ed

All students must wear runners in Phys Ed. Students can either wear them for the day or bring them to school to change into before class.

Please keep the District Aths Day free as I will need parent helpers for every age group. Volunteers are also required to hold a current WWC.

Team Vic Trials in Netball, Basketball, Soccer and Australian Rules Football

This process is now online. If you or your child are interested, please speak to Damian or myself first before completing the online registration. More information can be found on the following websites:
ICT

This week Prep students learnt the names of basic computer parts. They demonstrated their understanding by completing a click and drag activity.

Grade 1/2/3 students created a concept map about School.

Grade 4/5/6 students started creating a short PowerPoint slideshow about Germany.

Music

Grade 4/5/6 learnt about Wolfgang Mozart and his opera ‘The Magic Flute’.

Mrs H’s Awards

Phys Ed - Max and Jessica

Art - Riley and Danielle

Music - Ellena

ICT - Ben

German - Zane
School Council Elections
Schedule 5A: Self-nomination Form for Parent Member Category

I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent member on the

. school council.

Name :

Residential address:

Contact phone (mobile or landline):

Email:

I am the parent/guardian of , who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

I am an employee of the Department of Education and Training but not engaged in work at and for the school

Yes / No (please circle)

I am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above-named school council. I hereby declare that I am not:

• an undischarged bankrupt
• of unsound mind
• currently serving a sentence for an indictable offence; or
• a registrable offender within the meaning of the Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004.

Signature of Candidate

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

Personal information provided in this form is collected as part of the school council election nomination process. The information may be used to determine your eligibility as a candidate. Your personal information may be disclosed as a result of inspection prior to the commencement of voting or at any time up to one year from the declaration of the poll.

Your name will be included in a list of school council candidates and nominators (where applicable) posted in a prominent position at the school and for candidates, on a ballot paper (where applicable).

Further, the name, membership category, gender, term of office, office held (if any) of school council members and notification whether the member is an employee of the Department will be forwarded to the Department of Education and Training by the principal by 30 April each year as a record of council membership and may be used for statistical purposes.

You can access your personal information by contacting the principal on .

If you choose not to give some or all of the information requested your nomination may not be accepted. If you have any queries about the school council nomination process, please contact the principal.