DATES TO REMEMBER

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SCHOOL COUNCIL
Our next School Council meeting is on Wednesday 23rd March 6.30 pm.

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.

LILYDALE HIGH SCHOOL SELECT ENTRY ACCELERATED LEARNING PROGRAM
Any current grade 6 parents interested in the SEAL program run by Lilydale High School please collect a brochure at the office detailing further information. Testing date for 2017 intake is Friday 20th May 2016.

BUSH FIRE SEASON & EXTREME WEATHER DAYS
The current state of play is that on code red days the school will close. Changes have been made to allow principal’s to apply for permission to close on extreme weather days if deemed necessary. On extreme weather days the school will be vigilant in monitoring weather conditions & alerts. If the school decided to close & were granted permission families would be notified the day before. Please continue to monitor your own smartphones & the ABC 774 radio and keep an eye out for alerts particulary on total fire band days this term. Please see Vikki in the office asap if you need to update your contact details in the event that we need to contact you if we enact our Emergency Management Plan.

Please familiarise yourself with attached letter ‘Extreme Weather Days- Fire Safety Policy’

SILVAN WAR MEMORIAL
A new Silvan War Memorial is going to be built outside the school grounds on the corner of White St & Monbulk Rd. Wandin Rotary have been instrumental in making this happen after Ray McAllister presented his great Grandfather’s WW1 story to them last year.

The project will commence on Tuesday 22nd March and hopefully be completed by ANZAC day Monday 25th April upon which there will be an opening ceremony at 10.30 am. More details about this later.

Attached to the newsletter are further details concerning residents of Silvan who served, suffered & died in the First World War (1914 - 1918). Our new memorial will have a major focus on two notable service men Vice Admiral Sir William Rooke Creswell & Major William Charles Scurry.

PLAYGROUND MULCHING
If there are any available parents over the next few weeks able to donate 1hr of their time to help replenish mulch under & around playground equipment please see Mr T.
COOKING WITH MRS KELLER –

Last week we focused our attention towards safely using the stove top and frying. This week students focused on baking and prepared muffins.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS & HOUSE CAPTAINS 2016
Office Bearers for 2016 are:

House Captains
Parker: Bronte Passingham
Wiseman: Aaron Trewavis
Chapman: Zane Sudholz
Anderson: Wynee Keller

School Captain: Ellena Fisher
School Captain: Riley How

HUGHES NEWS

Diary Dates
House Sports Thursday 10th March
-Whole School
Collingwood Player Visit
Wed 16th March
-Whole School
District Aths Day Friday 18th March
- Grade 3/4/5/6 students

Art
Grade P/1/2/3 students used their warm and cool coloured backgrounds for printing trees and flowers using bottle tops, pasta and cardboard.
Students in Grade 4/5/6 studied the art style of Cubism.
**PHYS ED**

This week Grade 3/4/5/6 students practised Athletic events and set themselves a personal goal. Grade P/1/2 students participated in activities which incorporated vertical jump, run, dodge and catch skills.

**HOUSE SPORTS**

School Captains and House Captains are being asked to assist in setting up for the House Sports Day on Thursday 10\textsuperscript{th} March at 8:15 please.

![Image: School Captains and House Captains getting organised for The House Sports Day.](image)

On Wednesday 16\textsuperscript{th} March a Collingwood player will visit the school in the afternoon. Students may wear their footy gear. Only the back of jumpers will be signed by the player. Photos with students and the football player be taken by the teacher on duty. Students will be given a copy of their photo on another day.

**ICT**

Grade 4/5/6 students took selfies using an iPad. Next week they will upload them to the PC for a cubist art activity.

**MRS H’S AWARDS**

- **Art:** Scout
- **Phys Ed:** Cooper, Fam and Scout
SUNDAY CLINICS

Casual Sunday Clinics are the best way to get involved in futsal inside our world-class stadium

WHERE FUTURE FUTSAL STARS START!

✓ For boys and girls aged 3-15+ years old
✓ Trained coaches teach the fundamentals of futsal including skills, ball control and game play
✓ All-weather facility, cafe, gym and Nike Shop
✓ Note: Max participants is 16 children per session

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$10 per player per session
FIRST SESSION FREE!

The best way to play indoor soccer!

Futsal Oz – Mount Evelyn
19-23 Hereford Rd,
Mount Evelyn, Victoria, 3796
Phone: 1300 786 799
Mobile: 0438 009 385
mtelvyn@futsaloz.com.au
futsaloz.com.au

SILVAN WORLD WAR ONE

In tribute to all those residents of Silvan who served, suffered and died in the First World War (1914 – 1918).

V Benham
H Bricknell
V Campbell
V Dickens
D England
J E Evans*
A S Ingram
A Johnson
A Lockwood
W Long
W Lucas

H F McCay
U Osol
W Parker
A S Roger*
T Rossiter
W Russell
B Sessions
L C Sessions
H Smith
D Stormont
B Wilkin

(* Killed in Action)

In tribute also to the First World War veterans who took up blocks in Silvan under the Soldier Settlement Scheme

This is a ‘Centenary of Anzac’ project by the Rotary Club of Wandin
Dear parents,

The Department of Education and Training in association with Emergency Management Victoria have worked closely to develop new policy to provide further options for schools on Extreme Fire Danger Rating (FDR) days.

As our school is listed on the Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR), this new policy may impact our school community and it is important that you are aware of it.

Currently, all government schools and early childhood services listed on the BARR are required to pre-emptively close where a Code Red FDR day has been determined.

This new policy provides us an option to relocate or close our school if an Extreme FDR day places our school at too great a risk.

We are currently in the process of updating our school’s Emergency Management Plan to incorporate this new policy.

A decision to close or relocate the school will not be taken lightly and will be done so following close consultation with our regional office and Emergency Management Victoria.

Schools are some of the safest places in our community during extreme weather. Approval for closure or relocation will only be granted in circumstances where students and staff would be at greater risk remaining at our school.

If our school was to enact a relocation or closure, notification will be given to the entire school community no later than 3.00pm the day prior to the forecast Extreme FDR day.

We are consulting with our school council and others in our school community on how to best incorporate this policy into our Emergency Management Plan. We will be in further contact once our plans have been finalised.

If you have any questions or wish to provide input into our emergency planning, please feel free to contact our office.

Kind regards,

Damian Tirchett

Principal
Major William Charles Scurry MC, DCM
(1895-1963)

Bill Scurry was born in Carlton in 1895 and spent his youth in Ascot Vale where he was a member of the ‘Essendon Rifles’. In August 1914 he enlisted in the AIF and in the following year was sent to Gallipoli as a reinforcement for the 7th Battalion.

By November 1915 the situation was grim on the Dardanelles Front and those in charge began looking at ways of getting our forces off the Peninsula. All plans estimated a loss of life of up to 30% of our troops. In his trench Bill Scurry thought ‘it occurred to me that if we could leave our rifles firing we might get away safely’. He then set about inventing a time release gun.

What he created was simple yet effective. Set a loaded rifle up, place a ration tin full of water on top that then leaked into another below. The bottom tin would be attached to a string that was tied to the trigger and when it filled, it would fall with a jerk discharging the rifle. Depending on the size of the hole it could take 20 minutes to an hour to fill.

On December 19th, 1915 these were set up all over the Gallipoli Peninsula and the troops were secretly evacuated without one loss of life. In fact the ruse was so successful that it took half a day before the enemy realised they were gone. Bill Scurry was later awarded the DCM for his efforts here.

Afterwards Bill Scurry served on the Western Front with the 15th Light Trench Mortar Battery where he was awarded the Military Cross and was wounded twice, losing his right eye. On the ship home he met and later married Sister Doris Barry and they had four daughters.

After the war he took up farming in Silvan, growing berries and passionfruit and was a popular member of the community, serving as president of the Lilydale RSL. During World War Two he enlisted again, was promoted to Major and was made Commandant of the Japanese Civilian Internment Camp at Tatura. He passed away in 1963 and is buried at the Lilydale Cemetery.

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Silvan Memorial Design Brief

Background

The brief for this project is to design a memorial to honour those community members who have served in the various campaigns since WW1. An existing memorial plaque is located within the community hall and the community has fabricated a new memorial plaque specifically for this project.

The purpose of establishing a memorial is to have greater visibility of the plaques for the community as well as to create a dedicated space for ceremonies such as Anzac Day to be attended by the Silvan community. Current Anzac Day ceremonies are combined with Mt Evelyn.

There may be a number of underground services within the site.

Proposed elements

- A large rock on a plinth (Preferred Dimensions: 1500mm x 900mm)
- The space will need to accommodate laying of wreaths
- Requires 3 plaques and a brass/copper impression
- 2 Flagpoles

Location

The Memorial location is situated on the corner of the service lane between White St and Silvan Rd, next to the Silvan Primary School.

Budget

The total project budget is $15,000.

Timeframe

Design and documented as soon as possible.
Vice Admiral Sir William Rooke Creswell KCMG, KBE (1852-1933)

William Creswell was born on Gibraltar in 1852 and at the age of 14 enlisted in the Royal Navy as a Cadet. He served for twelve years in the Navy, seeing action in China and Malaya, but became frustrated by the minimal chances of promotion and resigned, immigrating then to Australia. Here he helped pioneer many of today’s stock routes through Queensland and the Northern Territory.

In 1885 he resumed his naval career and served as Captain of the warship HMS Protector and then Naval Commandant for the South Australian Navy. In 1900 he commanded the South Australian contingent who went over to China to fight in the Boxer Rebellion.

During this period he lobbied strongly for the creation of a totally Australian Navy and in 1904 was appointed Director of the Commonwealth Naval Forces where he did much to shape and develop our early Navy. The effectiveness of what he achieved was later shown in the early Australian naval successes of the First World War.

He was promoted to Rear Admiral and during World War One was the government’s naval adviser, organising ship construction in Australia, the development of shore support and the arranging of convoys. Sadly he lost two sons during the war.

After the war he was awarded a knighthood and retired from the Navy. In the 1920’s he bought the Ferndale Estate in Silvan and settled down to a quiet life on the land, becoming a popular member of the community and getting involved with many civic causes and events.

He died in 1933 and was given a state funeral. Today there is a RAN naval base and park in Adelaide named after him and he is looked upon by historians to be the ‘Father of the Australian Navy’.

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