



# NEWSLETTER

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### COMING EVENTS

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| <b>Mon 22 June</b>  | <b>Parents' Club meeting</b>   |
| <b>Tues 23 June</b> | Rubbish free snack and lunch<br>Fun food orders due 9:00 a.m.                      |
| <b>Wed 24 June</b>  | Reports go home  |
| <b>Fri 26 June</b>  | Parents' Club Fun food lunch<br>Last day of school<br>Early dismissal at 2:15 p.m. |
| <b>Mon 13 July</b>  | First day of Term 3<br>Assembly 8:50—don't be late                                 |

### **Reports**

Reports will be sent home on Wednesday. Parents often do not realise how much time and thought goes into the preparation of each student's report. Even with last Friday as a report-writing day, teachers would have spent many other extra hours outside of school-time preparing reports. Our teachers are to be commended for their outstanding commitment in this area. Please read the comments carefully. If your child is trying hard, doing their best and has good "getting along" skills, then this is just as important as the number of As, Bs and Cs. Remember, a C rating means your child is working at the expected year level.

### **Rubbish Free Snack and Lunch** next Tuesday

The challenge next Tuesday is to bring food in containers (named) which can be re-used rather than plastic wrap or papers. Fruit like oranges, mandarins and bananas already comes hygienically sealed, so instead of chips or biscuits, why not pop an extra piece of fruit in for snack? Rubbish free food days help to teach environmentally friendly practices, promote healthy eating habits and also reduces litter in our school.

### **Compost Bin is back!**

Thank you to parents Angela and Anthony who re-located our compost bin. We hadn't quite got it right but now our compost is much healthier and children will be able to place all food scraps into special containers in their classrooms and the contents put into the compost bin. The resulting mulch and worms will be fabulous for our garden beds.

### **Thank you Parents' Club**

Parents' Club has been working extremely hard this term. Many families would have enjoyed the delicious slices and cakes which went home last week. A Fun Food lunch of pasta bolognaise or macaroni cheese is available on the last day of term. Orders with correct money must be received by 9:00 a.m. next Tuesday 23 June. No late orders will be accepted. Where does the money go? Every cent that Parents' Club raises go straight back into purchasing equipment and materials for our students.

### Congratulations to our Learning Heroes - Your certificate will be presented at Monday's Assembly

Rm. 2	Emily	Helping others in our classroom
Rm. 3	Laura	Making great improvements with learning to write words
Rm. 4	Craig	Listening carefully and using beautiful manners
Rm. 5	Kyle	Writing interesting sentences and always being helpful in the classroom
Rm. 9	Benjamin	Taking more of an active role in his learning
Rm. 9	Amanda	Achieving a fantastic grasp of the Division process
Rm.10	Jessica	Trying hard in all tasks to get her work finished
Rm.11	Dylan	Maths - great efforts with subtraction
Art	Winston	Creative collage
P.E.	Nathamon	Giving positive encouragement to her team mates while playing soccer
Principal's Award	Nick	Responsible action in the playground

## Building Project

Tenders for our new building closed last week and the successful tender was announced on Monday. Very early next term we will have the daunting task of completely emptying the old wing. We have four classrooms, the music room and the contents of the art room to re-locate. We are not sure how many portable classrooms we will receive as these are very expensive and will come out of our overall budget which could affect what we can provide in the new building. For this reason we have not made a decision as to whether or not we will have a production this year. If we have to relocate classes into the hall, it is unlikely that we will be able to have a production. As soon as we have a clear indication of how many portable classrooms we can afford, staff will make this decision. We will endeavour to minimize disruption for our students but the short-term inconvenience we experience will be out-weighed by having such a modern, state-of-the-art facility at our school—6 new classrooms, new art room and additional learning areas!

## Student Council News—Tackling Banned!

After wide consultation with senior classes, Student Council met last week and has decided to ban tackling in football. This decision was made to keep all our students safe from injury. Tackling will only be allowed when a game is being played under adult supervision with referees. Children who ignore this rule will be given a warning. If there is a repeat offence that day, they will be banned from playing football at school for 24 hours. A further offence will result in being banned from football for a week.

## Cross Age Tutoring

Sharon Frerk, our art teacher has organized for our Year 3-6 students to work with Year 9 students at Sale College in their art room. Our students have really enjoyed being able to visit another school and also to work with clay.

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*Pictured is Mitchell (Yr 3) with his fabulous clay pot.*

## BIRTHDAY BOOK

3 weeks ending 17th July, 2009

Tues. 23rd	Emily .....	turns	6
Thurs. 25th	Jake .....	turns	12
Wed. Jul 1st	Braydon .....	turns	6
Sat. 4th	Tom.....	turns	6
Mon. 6th	Molly .....	turns	7
Tues. 7th	Kaide.....	turns	6
	Connor.....	turns	10
	Taylor.....	turns	11
	Jessica.....	turns	11
	Natalie.....	turns	11
Sat. 11th	Kim.....	turns	9
Sun. 12th	Clara .....	turns	7
Wed. 15th	Mathew.....	turns	8
Fri. 17th	Angus.....	turns	6

## Staffing

Next term we will welcome back Wendy Morgan and Kiley Cunningham. An enormous thank you to Graham Whitlock who has had Wendy's grade and Julie Riley who has had Kiley's grade. We were very fortunate to have such experienced teachers take the classes. Next term Sue Tudor will be enjoying a term's break and Julie will be taking her grade which is just great as she already knows the children well. Sue Burnett will be taking three days long service leave at the start of Term 3 as well.

## Staff Car Park

Unfortunately we still have parents putting the safety of our children at risk by parking in the staff car-park. This creates congestion near the school crossing and makes it hazardous for children walking on the footpath. Please do not use the staff car-park.

**Wanted ... parents** who can help us throw out/cull/clear much of the art room materials which we cannot store for the next twelve months while our new building is being constructed. Wear old clothes! We start straight after assembly on Monday and then again on Tuesday. Please, please, please ... we need you!

## Community News

Wurruk Community House invite you to participate in our family portrait fundraising event! A colour or a black & white portrait in a wooden frame for just \$12. Bookings will be taken for 4th July between 9am & 3.30pm at the House, 6 White Crt, Wurruk. Contact Heather Ph 51432292 for further information and bookings. **Bookings essential!**

## Happy holidays

As this will be our last newsletter for the term, we wish all our families safe and happy holidays. Thank you for all the support you show to our staff throughout the year. See you at 8:50 for assembly on Monday, 13th July.