

# Principal's Report

Date: 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2009

Issue: 15

Welcome back to term four, I hope everyone had a great holiday. I would like to welcome Mr Charles Spicer (Assistant Principal) and Ms Carol Knox (Chaplain) to Mount Waverley North Primary School.

## **Sun Smart**

A reminder to parents and students that hats are to be worn during Term 4 at recess and lunch time, and during PE and Sport. As is policy at Mount Waverley North students will be expected to remain in the shade if they do not have their hat at school. It is also school policy that caps not be worn as they do not provide appropriate sun protection, the only acceptable hats are the three navy blue hats available through the uniform shop. Could parents please support us in ensuring their child does not bring a cap or beanie to school to wear during these times.

## **Students Attending MWNPS in 2010**

In order to assist with planning for 2010 and staff with the development of grade lists, if any family knows they will be shifting from the area and not attending Mount Waverley North Primary School in 2010 could they please let the office know in writing as soon as possible.

## **Grade Allocations For 2010**

Within the next few weeks staff will begin the process of allocating our students to their grades for 2010. This is an extremely complex process where staff use their knowledge of the students to ensure the placements are successful for all concerned. If parents have requests regarding the placement of their children, could they please put these in writing and forward them to me by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, emails to [mt.waverley.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:mt.waverley.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) are preferred. Verbal requests will not be considered. Parents are advised that not all requests can necessarily be met, however where possible we will take the requests in to account. Parents are asked not to request a certain teacher for their child as the decision of staff placement is a separate and equally complex process and final decisions on staff placement for next year have not yet been made. Any request made after the 23<sup>rd</sup> October may not be able to be considered.

## **Taste of School**

The Taste of School program will recommence this term. The dates for this term are Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> October and 12<sup>th</sup> November. All sessions start at 2.45pm. Our Orientation morning is on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December from 9.15am to 10.45am; all students are encouraged to attend this session. We will be holding our Prep parent information session on Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm.

Dates to Remember: Meetings: Oct Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Environment 5.30 ,OSHC 6.30,Education 7pm

## Newsletters

As indicated last term families have been asked to indicate how they would like to receive the newsletter. I would like to thank the families who sent back their preferences. We will be providing newsletters in paper form this week with a trial email to parents who provided an address. If you requested an email newsletter and do not receive an email, please let the school know at [mt.waverley.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:mt.waverley.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) so we can check your details. As from the next newsletter parents who requested an email or access to the website will not receive a paper newsletter. If any family would like to receive their newsletter by email and have not provided their email address, please send an email of request to the school's email address – [mt.waverley.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:mt.waverley.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) .

## Chaplain

As parents were informed late last term, our Chaplain Roy Hamer has transferred to Balwyn Secondary College as College Chaplain. As a result we advertised our position and have appointed Carol Knox as our Chaplain. Carol will start at Mount Waverley North next week and will be in to meet the staff and students tomorrow morning. I would like to thank Lynne Jones, who sat on the panel with Ruth Whitefield (Access Ministries) and me.

## Melbourne Cup Day

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November is a public holiday for Melbourne Cup Day and therefore the school will be closed. **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** is a normal school day; we will be operating as usual.

*Robyn James*

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## TRIBES - APPRECIATION AWARDS



We would like to inform parents of the change of name and change of focus to our weekly awards presented at assembly. As of this Monday our students will receive “Appreciation Awards” instead of Student of the Week. We believe the use of this terminology is more consistent with the Tribes process, the agreements and the language used by staff and students. The new awards have been designed by students in Level 4.

**Welfare Team**

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## PFA NEWS

Now that the winter has finished its time for the icy pole fundraiser again!! Each Thursday one year level will get the opportunity to purchase an icy pole (Nestles Larry's Lemonade) for \$2. Order forms will be given out at the start of the week. We will start with Level One Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October. Anybody wishing to help please contact Deb Radi 9808 2762.



Athlete's Foot \$5 from every pair of shoes purchased at The Athlete's Foot by students (and their families) will be donated back to your school in the form of sporting goods. You don't need to show a card just tell them you are from Mount Waverley North Primary School.

**The next PFA meeting is on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> October.**

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**REMINDER FESTIVE FAIR MEETING Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 7pm Staff Room**

## **BREAKFAST CLUB**

Due to Roy's departure, 'Breakfast Club' will not be running until the new chaplain has had time to settle in and review the program. Thank you for your support.

## **FESTIVE FAIR**

Adult Lucky Dip, thank you to all who have already helped with paper and bottles of wine. We still need a few more gifts or bottles of wine, so please have a look in your cupboards. Thanks Helen Forss.

**Unwanted Footwear Collection**  
**In Your Shoes**



**In Your Shoes** is an unwanted footwear collection program which aims to divert reusable shoes from landfill. Collected shoes are then redistributed to local charities and international communities so disadvantaged people might benefit!



Source: Bayside Leader — 05/08/08 Picture: Gary Richardson

Just have all unwanted but clean, wearable footwear brought to school. Be sure to pair them up together by their laces or with rubber bands. Drop off your donated shoes at the collection point by:

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October**

Our school minimum target is:

**505**

All types and sizes are welcome!

**Let others take a turn to walk  
"In Your Shoes"!**



## **DANIELLE JONES** **TENNIS COACHING**

First lesson of term 4 starts the week of October 5th (\$95) please ring for bookings  
Mob- 0408 125 378

\*\* cardio workout on the tennis court -  
Wednesday ladies group 9.30 - 11.00

**WELLINGTON TENNIS CLUB**  
MONDAY 12 OCTOBER – FRIDAY 13  
NOVEMBER 2009

Total cost of the program is only \$15 for 5 weeks of group tennis coaching.

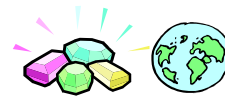
Tennis Victoria invites you to take part in our Mums' Tennis Program which is conducted by Tennis Australia endorsed tennis coaches. This program is open to all players of all standards from absolute beginners through to those who have

played tennis previously and would like to get back into the game. Tennis Victoria is also offering you the chance to enrol your child in the Tiny Tots program which is run in conjunction with the Mums' Tennis Program. The program is targeted at children aged 3 – 5 with the concept allowing mums to participate in the game of tennis without the burden of childcare. The cost for the program is \$10 for 5 weeks. To register your child in the Tiny Tots program please advise your coach when registering for the Mums' Tennis program. **To register for the Mums' Tennis Program at Albion Tennis Club please contact local club coach Warrick McGowan on 0401 003 077. Please book early, as places are limited.**



# MORPHING DIRT TO DIAMONDS

Mount Waverley North Primary School



Coming up  
Term 4, 2009

## MORPHING DIRT TO DIAMONDS

Do you love collecting things? Stamps, feathers, footy cards Beanie Kids?

This term we learn the skills of how to become a Rock Hound.

Geology is the study of the Earth's rocks, minerals, and other physical features.

Learn about the inside of the Earth, our planet; Sedimentary, Metamorphic, Igneous rocks; Moh's Scale of Hardness; Magical Minerals, Jewels and much more.

Start collecting your rocks now and bring them along to Wise Ones in Term 4.

### What's a Rock Hound?

Start Wise Ones and become a Rock Hound.

Join in the fun as we explore gems, jewels, and rocks.

### Wise Ones Application for 4th Term 2009

This program is available for all Grade 1 - Grade 6 children who have qualified for Wise Ones. The unit for fourth term commences week beginning Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

X.....

I wish to enrol my child in the unit "Morphing Dirt to Diamonds" commencing week beginning Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

I give permission for a copy of this slip to be handed to the Wise Ones teacher.

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Class (2009) \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' Names \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: BH \_\_\_\_\_ AH \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

My child has already qualified for Wise Ones YES/NO

I would like a free test for my child YES/NO.

I would like my child to be tested with a fuller assessment to qualify for Wise Ones (assessment cost \$100 Inc GST).

**Please send this slip and payment of \$195.00 on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> October 2009. As we are a non-credit business, children will not be accepted into the program for the term unless the fees and enrolment form are returned by the above date.**

If paying by cheque please make it payable to Mount Waverley North Primary School.

For further information please contact Pat Truscott on 9326 6441 or Mobile: 0407 313 657.



Get ready for Christmas  
Holiday fun in the sun.  
**BOOK NOW!**

**Kids Holiday Program**  
**Special offer \$55**  
 Program Dates  
**Monday 21 Sept – Friday 25 Sept**  
 Places filling up fast!

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**Term 4\***  
 Monday 5 October – Sunday 20 December  
**ENROL NOW** and you will  
 get \$10 off your term fee.  
 Call now to avoid disappointment!  
**9560 4433**

\*Offer applies to new clients only. Valid until 31/03/09. Voucher must be presented to redeem offer.