

# Principal's Report

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## **Year Prep 2010 – Taste of School**

The Taste of School transition sessions begin on the 13<sup>th</sup> August for our Prep students for 2010. Sessions start at 2.45pm and conclude at 3.25pm. Parents are welcome to stay at the school in the staff room to enjoy a cuppa and chat. If any parent has not enrolled their child for Prep next year or knows of anyone who would like to, please contact the office as soon as possible.

## **Parent Opinion Survey**

The use of opinion data to monitor performance is a very important step toward making our school the best it can possibly be. Each year we conduct annual and anonymous opinion surveys of staff, students and parents and use the information gained to drive school improvements. Within the next few weeks, 60 or so randomly selected families will receive a parent opinion survey and we ask that these families return the completed survey to school by the due date. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

## **Early Arrival of Students**

A number of students have been arriving at school long before 8.45am unsupervised. Students are not to arrive before this time as we do not have a staff member on duty before 8.45am. For the safety of our students, students who arrive early be placed in OSHC and the parents charged for their attendance. Parents are welcome to bring their child/ren to school before this time if they remain at the school to supervise them.

## **ES (Education Support) Week 10<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> August**

The week of 10<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> August is ES Week. This week provides the opportunity to formally recognise and thank these valued members of our community for their support to our staff, students and parents. We have eleven ES staff in our school carrying out roles which include:

**Business Manager:** Litsa Orfanidis

**Office Staff:** Carmel Grossek

**Integration Aides:** Lindell Green, Fran Lenthall, Maree Fry, Kaye Bentley, Helen James and Louisa McDonald (These staff also assist as speech aides and Library Technician)

**OSHC carers:** Joy Burton, Noelene Anderson, Kris Collins and Carol McKinley

I would like to express our thanks for their dedication and support to our school community and wish them a great ES Week.

*Robyn James*

Dates to remember: August Tues 4<sup>th</sup> English NSW Uni Test, Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Fair Committee Meeting 7pm, Sat 15<sup>th</sup> Working Bee L3 & \$ parents 9am – 12.30 pm & Mon 17<sup>th</sup> PFA Meeting

## **Middle Kinglake Primary School Library**

Last newsletter there was an item asking for help from the Middle Kinglake Primary School. The school is trying to restock the library they lost in the fires earlier this year. They are looking for donations of books suitable for students 5-13 years. • **Picture Books** • **Junior fiction** • **Early teenage fiction** • **Information books** • **Discovery books**

Do you have any **recently published books in good condition** (less than 5 years old) sitting on the shelves at home that you or your children would like to contribute? If so, they can be dropped in to the school office and we will make sure they are delivered.

## **PFA NEWS**



**Do you love going to the movies?** Here is an easy way to get free tickets. Each time you check your emails click on the link below:

<http://waverleycinema.com/program/club0027.php> or go on to the Waverley Cinema's website and look for our school. Many families are winning free tickets daily! Don't miss out.

## **Chocolate drive.**

Thank you to everybody who have sold their Cadburys chocolates. If anybody wishes to take another box can they contact the office. Please be aware that the note in the box states that there are 50 chocolate frogs in the box totalling \$60 if all sold. The money is due back next Friday 7th August. Thank you for all your efforts!

## **The Good Guys Fundraising Night.**

Don't forget the good guys fundraising night is on this Friday 31st at the Good Guys in Nunawading (Whitehorse road). There are some fantastic discounts to be snapped up only on this night. Great Father's Day gifts available!! Please remember to take your invitation on the night! RSVP by phone 9264 7464

The next PFA meeting is Mon 17th August

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## **GUITAR, KEYBOARD AND VIOLIN LESSONS DURING SCHOOL HOURS**

Musicorp Australia who already has a band program in your school, has some exciting news. We are very happy to now be able to offer your children the above instruments during school hours. The term rate is \$125 and can be billed at a pro rata rate so children can start mid way through term if they would like to. For further information about this program and how to get your child enrolled please don't hesitate to give Amber or Jane a call on 9830 7655. Thank you and we look forward to seeing many happy new faces in this fun and exciting program.

## **KEEPING YOUR CHILD SAFE IN CYBERSPACE: PARENT INFORMATION FORUM**

Cyber bullying, harassment and online stalking has emerged as a confronting issue. Many parents are unaware that social sites such as Face book, My Space and Twitter are accessible to millions of people worldwide.

This forum will be held Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August from 7.30pm to 9.30 pm at Box Hill Town Hall ( Lower Hall) Booking Essential phone 92626332

## **AUSSIE KIDS KARATE**

Special Introduction Programme only \$35.00 Includes New Uniform. Ring Terry on 98869025. Ashburton Dojo 413 High Street Ashburton. Special beginners classes six days each week for ages 4 years and above. Martial Arts tuition Specialists

## **BASKETBALL CLINIC**

**Where:** Nunawading Basketball Stadium, Burwood Hwy., East Burwood

**When:** Commenced Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July continuing till end of term.

**Time:** 10am till 11.30 am on court 5

**Cost:** FREE further enquires phone Ian Brian 97891992



## **BASKETBALL TRY OUTS**

Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> for Nunawading Spectres at Nunawading Stadium. Further enquiries to Geoff 0433850930 (AH) for boys and Wayne 0404990704 (AH) for girls. Players from other associations are required to bring a signed permission to train form from their association.

## **EFFECTIVE BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT**

The 1,2,3 Magic Program provides easy steps to follow for disciplining 2 – 12 year olds.

**Where:** Clayton Community Centre

**When:** Fridays 10 am – 12pm 3 week program 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> August. Bookings phone Libby or Tanya 95183900

## **FREE FAMILY FUN DAY**

Aug 15<sup>th</sup> 10am to 2pm, Glen Waverley Anglican Church 800 Waverley Rd, Glen Waverley [www.gwac.org.au](http://www.gwac.org.au) Phone 03 9560 7494 Free Sausage Sizzle, Jumping Castle, Show Bags, Face Painting, Balloons, Family Concert with amazing Children's Musician Johnny Burns at 1pm

This event is part of Discover @ GWAC 09 - a week of events and activities for all.

For any more info, feel free to phone myself (Ross Curnow, children and families pastor) or Maria Brand-Starkey (associate pastor) for more details. Phone 9560 7494 (ext 16 and 21).

## **HOST FAMILIES NEEDED FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS**

Two different organizations are asking for our help to host exchange students, they are listed below. Please contact either if you are interested.

Children are aged 15 to 18 years old and from the following countries Italy, Germany, France, Belgium, Japan and Brazil require host families. If you can afford one extra at mealtimes, which is almost the only cost to you, have a spare bed and wish to make an overseas friend, possibly for life, please contact either - Yours sincerely,  
Klaus Schumann

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## **LOVE TO ADD A CHILD TO YOUR FAMILY?**

Then we would love to talk to you. Phone 98436413 or email [adoptionandpermanentcare.com.au](mailto:adoptionandpermanentcare.com.au)