**Diary Dates**

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**Spud Olympics**

With atrocious weather facing organisers, the Spud Olympics was moved indoors with a modified program. At the time of writing the proceedings we’re just getting underway. There will be more Spud Olympics news next week.

**Pupil Free Day**

The final pupil free day for the year will be on tomorrow - August 10. Students will not be required at school tomorrow.

**Welcome**

We welcome Allan Clark to Wallington. Allan has volunteered to look after the school grounds. He will be a real asset to the school. Please make yourself known to Allan if you see him around the school.

**Father Of The Year. – Bethany Family Support**

Now in its 13th year, the Geelong Father Of The Year Award is unique in Australia, in that the child nominates their father or father figure and entries are judged on set criteria which includes but is not limited to;

- Evidence of positive relationship with the child
- Specific qualities that are valued in the father/father figure kind of person he is
- Positive role modeling and responsible parenting

Children are invited to submit in 150 words or less why they think their father, or father figure, deserves to be Geelong’s Father of The Year in 2012.

All primary schools across the Geelong region are being encouraged to actively engage their students in thinking about their father or father figure. The Award age categories are broken down as follows; 0-6, 7-10 & 11+. Every student who enters the Award receives their entry back along with a certificate to take home in time for Father’s Day on Sunday 2 September.

**Drysdale RSL**

On Wednesday 15th August grades 5 and 6 students will have the opportunity to participate in an activity that commemorates the end of WWII in the Pacific. Members of the Drysdale RSL will be at the school to talk to the students and have a presentation on this important event in our history. Parents are more than welcome to attend. It will commence at 2:30pm.

**Strawberry Fair**

Next Thursday is the Strawberry Fair Meeting. These meetings are to organise the Fair for next year. We only had 2 people turn up to the last meeting (we also had a couple of apologies). The school is getting bigger but the amount of parents available to assist in the organisation has become less.

We do need the help of parents. It cannot be left to the few to do all of the organisation. We try to have the fair basically organised by the end of the school year so when we come back all that needs doing is looking at the finer details.

The Strawberry Fair is the school’s major fundraising event and we rely on that money raised to purchase resources and programs for the school. The school survey at the end of the last fair endorsed unanimously to hold the fair again. However, to do this we need support.

The Strawberry Fair meeting will be held on Thursday 16th August at 7pm in the staffroom. We need as many people as possible to attend so that the organisation for the 2013 fair can begin.

**Lions Club Raffle**

We need all raffle Tickets returned (sold – with money or unsold) by Monday 13th August at the latest.

**Parent Opinion Survey**

The parent opinion survey was posted to a random sample of parents. If you received a survey can you please complete it and return it to the school as soon as possible. The survey envelopes are not opened by the school, but by the company that is employed by the department to collate the results. The information from the surveys is used to determine the needs of the community and the direction of the school.

Leigh McLaren
Principal
**SCHOOL NEWS**

**Last Weeks SUPER STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS**

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<td>JADE W</td>
<td>For fantastic work in Maths this week, especially addition. Well done.</td>
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<td>POPPY H</td>
<td>For showing great thinking when solving math problems. Well done.</td>
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<td>2L</td>
<td>CASSIE W</td>
<td>For efficiency and accuracy in partitioning 2-digit numbers mentally and flexibly to complete her math’s “crosses” and “chains” challenge.</td>
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<td>34J</td>
<td>RONAN B</td>
<td>For a fantastic start to his narrative. Your pop-out pictures look amazing.</td>
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<td>34V</td>
<td>TAYJH S</td>
<td>For his inspiring work in mathematics.</td>
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<td>56D</td>
<td>LUCY M</td>
<td>For using effective strategies when working with fractions.</td>
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<td>56M</td>
<td>CASSIE U</td>
<td>For her excellent attitude and approach to all school tasks and activities. Well done Cassie!</td>
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**Parents Club Market Night**

Friday, August 24th at 7:30pm in the hall. A market night will be held with stalls and supper. Entry will be $5.00 with a complimentary drink. There will be approximately 20 stallholders - Tupperware, Enjo, Creative Memories, Intimo Lingerie, Lorraine Lea Linen, Candles, organic cleaning products, makeup, hand massage, children’s clothing and accessories, jewellery. There will also be some delicious food stalls – cheeses, savoury and sweet treats, olive oil. Enjoy a delicious supper to complete the night. Keep this date free, invite family and friends and spread the word.

**School Concert**

Please ensure that you return your concert planning form with your offer of help, indication of ticket requirements and interest for DVD order as soon as possible. A decision needs to be made regarding a DVD of the concert. A professional high quality DVD will be taken on the night if a minimum number of orders are received.

**Jolie Image Photography**

The expressions of interest offer has been extended for the family portrait offer from Jolie Photography. If we reach a minimum of 22 families, we will be securing a day (or days) for the photo’s to be held in October.

**Library**

Next week in the library are grades 5-6. Please remember your book returns and your library bag.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

Wallington Primary School takes no responsibility for and does not endorse the quality or conduct of any activity advertised in the Community Notices section of the newsletter. Customers are required to make their own enquiries and judgements.

**Wallington Primary School Concert**

Thursday 7pm—9:30pm 20th SEPTEMBER 2012
Portarlington Park Hall

**Parents Club**

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