Student Leaders
Congratulations to our Term One Student Leaders
Larissa Dixon Cassie Usher Joe Frigo
Emily Benson Lleyton Woolley
This is a position of responsibility in the school and the students take on this with enthusiasm and dedication. Our Student Leaders will be taking their first assembly on Friday.

Student Code of Conduct
In conjunction with the students we are currently developing a student code of conduct that will provide a consistent approach to student conduct across the whole school. Once this has been completed a copy will be sent home to parents for consideration.

Active After School Community
AASC starts next week. Liam Millard is running the program. On Tuesday will be basketball and on Thursday will be Hockey. The program runs from 3:30 to 4:30 for 7 weeks. The program is open to all students – Prep – grade 6. Students can enrol for both or either one of the days. Enrolment forms are available from the office.

Class Preparation
Last week I put in the newsletter about allowing teachers to prepare for the day. I would like to thank everyone for their support with this, it is very much appreciated.

Leigh McLaren

Strawberry Fair
The Strawberry Fair is fast approaching. However, there is still some work to do before the day.

Auction
I am currently looking for people to help organise the Auction. I am after a band of three or four people to make contact with various business houses and retailers to source items for the Auction on the day of the Strawberry Fair.

Gourmet Foods
We are also looking for someone to co ordinate the gourmet food on the weekend of the Fair. This only involves organising personnel to help with the preparation of food on the Saturday and the running of the Gourmet Food stall on the Sunday. The ordering of food etc has been organised.

Buskers
We are after any students who would like to do some busking on the day. It is envisaged that buskers would perform for about ½ hr at a time.

Strawberry Fair Meetings are on each week (9th Feb, 16th Feb, 23rd Feb, 30th Feb, 2nd Mar) at 7:00pm in the Staffroom. We need as many people as possible to these meetings to ensure that everything gets done.

Working Bee: We need to have a working bee the Saturday prior to the Fair – Saturday 25th Feb at 9:00am. We will need mowers, whipper snippers, chainsaw, lead blowers etc to prepare the grounds for the Fair. The more people we can get the more we can get done.

Strawberry Fair Marketing and Promotions
We'll soon be looking for people to help distribute flyers!
In the meantime, you can help promote the Fair by finding ‘Wallington Strawberry Fair’ on Facebook and Twitter.
Follow or ‘like’ the Fair, feel free to post comments and share with your family and friends!!

www.facebook.com/wallingtonstrawberryfair
www.twitter.com/strawberryfair1

Parent Payment Charges now due

Total Parent Payment Charges being $210 to be paid no later than 24th Feb 2012
SCHOLARSHIP BOOK CLUB
Welcome back to the Book Club for 2012. We had a great year in 2011 and hopefully this year we will be able to get even more great books for our school library. The February edition is due back by next Monday 13 Feb. All orders must be placed in the drawer labelled ‘Book Club’ in the hallway near the office. If you have any queries at all please call us on 5255 5008. Thank you for your ongoing support Gillian Newland

Change of personal information?
If there has been a change in your personal information such as change of address, phone number or emergency contact could you please come into the office and let us know. There is nothing worse than a sick or injured student and we can’t contact anyone.

Library
Next week in the library is grades Prep, 1’s and 2’s. Please remember your book returns and your library bag.

Librarian
Environment Working Bee
This year we will be holding one working bee each term. To help share the work load of maintaining our beautiful school grounds, we have rostered every family on to one working bee date in 2012. This list can be found on the 34V window. The 1st will be Friday 17th Feb at 3.30pm. If you are unable to attend your given date can you please swap with another family or arrange to do a job on a night prior to the working bee date. You are welcome to attend more than one working bee.
There are also several ongoing jobs that people may like to volunteer for, including regular mowing of the oval, or fence lines and the maintaining of garden beds instead of attending working bees.
Please make sure you sign in before taking part in any duties. The sign in roster can be found inside the school entry.
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PREP FOR PARENTS
Did your child start Prep this year? Would you like tips on how to support your child in their first year at school? Then subscribe to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development’s new weekly Prep for Parents email.
You will be sent an email every Wednesday during school term that will include tips, advice and information about the day-to-day experiences children have in the classroom and things you can do at home to assist and encourage your child.
To subscribe to Prep for Parents, see: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/aboutschool/prepforparents/default.htm

Religious Instruction
Is conducted once a week. If you don’t wish your child to participate please put in writing and hand to your classroom teacher. The charge for the students’ books for 2012 is $7.00.

REMINDER TO PREP PARENTS
Parents who have not submitted their child’s Immunisation Certificate or Birth Certificate could you please do so as soon as possible as this is a Departmental requirement.

PARENT CLUB
Parents Club meetings for 2012 will be held on the 2nd Thurs of the month in the Hall commencing 9.10am. We value everyone’s ideas and contribution and welcome all parents to attend. The next meeting will be 8th March. The Parents Club will be holding a 2nd hand uniform sale in Friday 10 Feb just prior to assembly until 3.45pm. 2nd Hand Uniforms sale will be held monthly on the last Friday of the month. Uniforms will not be sold on consignment—donated items only. Enquiries to Lisa Mitchell

COMMUNITY NOTICES
Surfside Waves soccer club is recruiting old and new players for the 2012 season. Registration will take place during Feb/March. For information contact Gill Black on 5255 3566 or Caryll Waugh on 5255 4066

Holy Trinity Parish
Children wishing to be prepared for the sacraments in the Catholic Church Grade 3 upwards are advised that enrolment day is Tuesday 14 Feb 4–5pm at Star of the Sea Church—John Dory Dr, Ocean Grove.
Enquiries: Lyne Horner 5255 2961

Music Lessons
Piano / keyboard. Guitar (acoustic, electric, bass) Singing
During &/or After School Hours at School
- Experienced, qualified, trained and Registered teachers, specifically chosen for primary aged students
- A modern & traditional curriculum designed by primary school & music teachers specifically for primary school-age children, to either learn to play for fun or as a pathway to VCE music
- Classes available for Prep—adult, beginners to advanced.
- A trusted provider of music lessons to Geelong, Surfcoast & Peninsula schools for over 25 years.
To Pre-enrol or to obtain an information package please contact: mbmt@bigpond.com Fax: 52 645 109.

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