Welcome back to term 4. I hope that everyone had a good time over the past two weeks. Being the last term it is a busy one with testing, reports, and a host of activities.

Mrs Lennon
Mrs Lennon’s return has been delayed due to her being involved in an accident over the weekend. She is at home recuperating and hopes to be back next Tuesday. We wish her all the best in her recovery.

Sporting Schools Program
The sporting schools program will be operating on a Wednesday this term due to Lincoln’s commitments. It will commence next Wednesday and will go for 7 weeks. If you would like to enrol your child forms are available at the office.

Summer of Safety
Last year we ran a series of activities designed to assist children with being safe. On 28th October the St Johns will be holding first aid workshops with the students in Grade 1 – 6. This will be done at school with no cost involved.

Geelong Cup
Geelong Cup 21st October is a public holiday. Children will not be required at school on that day.

Enrolments
Currently we have 27 enrolments in Preps. If anyone is aware of other families that intend to enrol I would appreciate if you could let us know so we can plan for 2016. Also if any families are moving for next year you can please also let me know as soon as possible.

Strawberry Fair
The next meeting of the Strawberry Fair will be on Wednesday 14th October in the staffroom at 7:00pm. We need to continue with the organisation of our 32nd Fair.

Renovations
The renovations on B Block, The Investigations Room and the Portables are almost complete and I am very happy with the way that it has turned out. The staff are making plans for the use of these buildings in the future.

I would personally like to thank all the parents who helped move furniture and other assorted items to ensure that the works proceeded smoothly. Without this help the works would not have turned out so well.

Pupil Free Day
The final pupil Free Day will be on Monday 30th November. Students will not be required at school on this day.

Holiday Time
Our office manager, ChoLay Thomas has taken leave until the 28th October, we wish her a happy holiday. Margot Farman will be in the office until then so please say hello to her.

Code Red Days
In light of the fires at Lancefield currently burning it is timely to remind everyone about code red days. Wallington Primary School is identified as being at high fire risk and on the Department’s Bushfire At-Risk Register and will close on days determined Code Red by the Emergency Management Commissioner. Schools and services not on the Department’s Bushfire At-Risk Register will remain open, unless directly threatened by fire or another emergency.

Where possible, four to seven days notice of a planned closure will be provided; parents and carers should, however, expect that in some instances fewer than 4 days notice may be provided.

Once a Code Red day has been determined by the Emergency Management Commissioner this decision will not change – regardless of any changes in the weather forecast. This will help limit confusion and help your family plan for how your children will be cared for when their school, kindergarten or child care centre is closed.

When a school or children's service is closed due to a Code Red day determination, no staff will remain on site and all out-of-school care programs (including vacation, before and after school programs) will not operate.
SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS

A big thank you to Zac Mifsud’s Dad Tony, and all the other volunteers, for your efforts over the school holidays in putting up our Garden construction. It looks fantastic!

PARENTS & FRIENDS

Tomato and Basil Orders
Order forms and payment are due back on Friday 9th October to draw next to photocopier. Delivery will be next week. $1 from every plant will go to Parents and Friends to use on upcoming activities for students.

Parents Social Night Out
Is booked for Friday 30th October 6.30pm at the Flying Brick Cider House. Come along for a relaxed social night before the festive season sets in. Cost is $40pp and includes a generous assortment of share platters. Prepayment and forms are due no later than Thursday 22nd October. Booking Forms are available from the office.

2nd Hand Uniform Sale
Next Sale is scheduled for Friday 23rd October 2.30pm – 4pm in the hall kitchen. Gold coin donation per item.

Next Meeting
The next Parents and Friends meeting is on Wednesday 14th October 9.15am at Elkhorn Roadhouse. We warmly invite all parents to come along for a relaxed coffee and chat about the remaining years activities. To go on the distribution list for parents and friends minutes and correspondence please email breeschammer@bigpond.com. You can also keep up to date with the latest Parents and Friends news and activities by joining our Facebook group. Search for “Wallington PS Parents and Friends”.

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Parenting Children who Worry Too Much
Does anxiety stop your child enjoying life? Come along to find out more about anxiety and strategies to help your child worry less.

DATES: Seminar
Thurs Oct 22nd
9.30 – 7pm (max 50)
Followed by optional 4 week group
Thurs Oct 29th
To
Thurs November 19th
9.30 – 7.30 (max 16)
(FREE children avail for seminar and group. Bookings Essential on 53724999)

VENUE: Booral Centre, Shell Rd, Ocean Grove (behind the pool)