

WALLINGTON P.S. NEWSLETTER

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DIARY DATES

Monday 15th April	Start of Term 2
Friday 19th April	School Photos—Class, Individual and Family
Wednesday 24th April	Schools ANZAC Ceremony
Thursday 25th April	ANZAC DAY
Friday 10th May	Resources Meeting
Tues 14th - Thurs 16th May	NAPLAN testing
Wen 22nd - Fri 24th May	Year 3/4 Camp

PRINCIPAL NEWS

It is really hard to imagine that term one has gone already. I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their great support for our school. One of the things that I mention when I take prospective parents on a tour of the school is the great support and parent participation that we have at Wallington.

ANZAC Day Service

Wallington will be, once again, be participating in the Geelong Schools ANZAC Ceremony at the War Memorial in Johnstone Park. The School will be represented by our current school leaders

The Car park

This is a reminder to everyone that children cannot go into the car park unless accompanied by an adult. Adults are asked to come over to the front of the school and collect their children rather than having the children come over to the car.

Can You Help Us!!

We are trying to track down a copy of the 100 years centenary booklet. If you still have a copy or know someone who does we would like to take a copy of it.

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development Website

The parent section of the website provides parents with information about schools and what resources are out there to support you and your child/ren through their schooling life <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/parents/default.htm>

What math activities can I do with my child?

1. Understanding Numbers

Numbers are used to describe quantities, to count, and to add, subtract, multiply, and divide. Understanding numbers and knowing how to combine them to solve problems helps us in all areas of math.

Count everything! Count toys, kitchen utensils, and items of clothing as they come out of the dryer. Help your child count by pointing to and moving the objects as you say each number out loud. Count forwards and backwards from different starting places. Use house-hold items to practise adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing.

Sing counting songs and read counting books. Every culture has count-ing songs, such as "One, Two, Buckle My Shoe" and "Ten Little Monkeys", which make learning to count – both forwards and backwards – fun for children. Counting books also capture children's imagination, by using pictures of interesting things to count and to add.

Discover the many ways in which numbers are used inside and outside your home. Take your child on a "number hunt" in your home or neighbourhood. Point out how numbers are used on the television set, the microwave, and the telephone. Spot numbers in books and newspapers. Look for numbers on signs in your neighbourhood. Encourage your child to tell you whenever he or she discovers a new way in which numbers are used.

Ask your child to help you solve everyday number problems.

"We need six tomatoes to make our sauce for dinner, and we have only two. How many more do we need to buy?" "You have two pillows in your room and your sister has two pillows in her room. How many pillowcases do I need to wash?" "Two guests are coming to eat dinner with us. How many plates will we need?"

Practise "skip counting". Together, count by 2's and 5's. Ask your child how far he or she can count by 10's. Roll two dice, one to determine a starting number and the other to determine the counting interval. Ask your child to try counting backwards from 10, 20, or even 100.

Make up games using dice and playing cards. Try rolling dice and adding or multiplying the numbers that come up. Add up the totals until you reach a target number, like 100. Play the game backwards to practise sub-traction.

Play "Broken Calculator". Pretend that the number 8 key on the calculator is broken. Without it, how can you make the number 18 appear on the screen? (Sample answers: $20 - 2$, $15 + 3$). Ask other questions using different "broken" keys



SCHOOL NEWS

Last Weeks

SUPER STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

PK King	SIENNA EDWARDS For making discoveries in maths and reading this week. MATISSE HERCUS For showing improvement at learning her numbers.
12V Vaught	AVA TOBIN For a wonderful procedural writing that was fluent and had good attempts at spelling.
34L Lennon	LUKE LAWRENCE For being a great contributor to book discussions - making connections and using evidence from the text to support his answers.
34J Jones	CHARLOTTE LAWRENCE For being a kind, caring and considerate member of 3/4J. DYLAN KOEHLER For being a phrased and fluent reader when reading "Are you my Mother". Well done Dylan!
5D Duckett	JACK DYSON For working really hard to write well structured paragraphs. ELIIZA VALLELONGA For great defensive play at the Bellarine Peninsula Soccer Day.
6M Marino	HUGH WATSON For showing good leadership skills whilst leading his team at soccer today. Well done Hugh!



THIS WEEKS BIRTHDAYS!

Wishing a very Happy Birthday to
 Austin Anthony for the 21st of March
 Hugh Harris for the 23rd of March
 Joshua Bouma for the 24th of March
 Ava & Poppy Tobin for the 24th of March
 Molly Eaton for the 26th of March



Wallington Primary School hopes you all had a wonderful day!
 Also wishing Charlie Wrench a very Happy Birthday for next week, the 30th of March!



Wallington Primary School Cross Country Thursday April 18th, 2013, 9:30am – 11am approx.

The Wallington Cross Country will be held on the first Thursday of Term 2 at 9:30. It should finish around 11am. If your child wants to perform well enough to qualify for the District event at Barwon Heads on Wednesday May 1st they should be doing some running training over the holidays. We would also like you to consider whether you can volunteer your services to marshal on the course the day of our school Cross Country. We must have marshals all the way along the course or we will be forced to do laps of the oval. If you can help please let your child's teacher or myself know at the beginning of the term.

Thank you in anticipation!
Jennie Marino

VikkiKids Foundation Fundraiser

A huge thankyou to the Wallington School community for getting behind this worthwhile cause and supporting former student Gabriel Shields in his Leadership Project. With both the Hot Cross Bun Snack and the Easter Basket raffle we have raised just over \$500 – a fabulous and very generous effort from everyone. We also sold over 50 wrist bands at \$2 each! We hope this money will buy much needed stationary supplies for the school in India.

We also wish Gabriel all the best for next term when he takes part in the five week Leadership Camp.

Again thank you.
Jennie Marino and Year 6M



2013 Victorian Primary Schools Golf Tournament Qualifying Event ~ Ocean Grove GC Wednesday March 27th

Yesterday nine of our Year 5 and 6 students competed in the Victorian Primary School's Golf Tournament. The four girls and eight boys with the best score move onto the Regional Event in November.

Our budding young golfers were -Piper Morrissy, Jack Dyson, Zara Adams-Bailey, Bradley Beckwith, Charlie and Lucy McEvoy, Julian Selway, Milly Dodds and Bailey Kelly. All students have assured me that the day was lots of fun irrespective of their result. It's great to see our students taking on a new challenge. Well done everyone.

Congratulations to Lucy McEvoy who qualified 3rd in the girls competition and therefore moves on to the Regional event and commiserations to Milly Dodds who was one stroke off fourth.

Good Luck Lucy – plenty of time to practise!!!
 Jennie Marino

COMMUNITY NOTICES

ART * FUN * RUN

Barwon Heads Primary School's "Easter Fun Fair", 2013 Easter Saturday, 30th March 10am - 3pm Barwon Heads P.S, Golf Links Rd, Barwon Heads

The Art show runs Thu 28 till Sat 30th March..

Easter Saturday 30th March is the day of the Sheepwash Classic Fun Run and the Barwon Heads Primary School Easter Fair.

Live music, Carnival Rides, Magic Show and Workshop, Gourmet food, Trash and Treasure, Animals, Sweets, Games for all and stacks more! Fun stuff and good times.....



Pre-Loves Toy Sale

When: Friday 19th April 2013 - **Time:** 4pm-6pm
- Where: Moolap Primary School, 30 Wills Cres, Moolap.

Toy Drop off: Thursday 18th of April, 3.30p - 6pm

Pick up of money & unsold Toys: Saturday 20th April, 10am - 12pm
 For more information & registration packs please call Kath Davey Ph: 0412 639 335

2013 Geelong Bellarine Parent Network

Where: Parent resource room at Clifton Springs Primary School, Jetty Road, Clifton Springs.

When: 9 –11 last Thursday of month

Contact: Dyanne Jackson - 5248 7153 - jacson.dyanne.b@edumail.vic.gov.au

28th March Nicky Copley, **Psychologist, Geelong Bellarine Network. Tips on dealing with anxiety and depression**

25th April . **Anzac day** **NO meeting**

2nd May Nyrrelle Bade **Art and Play Therapist, Drysdale Gallop House.** Nyrrelle uses play and art therapy in her work with Children and Adults with ASD. **President of Australian Creative Arts Therapy Association**

30th May **Jess Lenten, Speech Pathologist, Geelong Bellarine Network. Language Skills, Scores and Queries.**

27th June **Visit Highton Primary School Inclusion Support Program**
218 Roslyn Road, Highton, VIC, 3216

Thinking about a trip to the snow this winter? Take a look at Wongungarra Alpine ski Club at **Mt. Hotham**. Family friendly, inexpensive accommodation in a warm, conveniently located lodge. Prices, pictures and info at www.wongungarra.com.au or talk to Naomi Watson or Genevieve Lee. Bookings accepted from 1st April.



Moolap Primary School Country Fair!

Friday April 19th 2013, 3.30pm - 8.30pm

There will be: Live music, market stalls, raffle, fresh food stalls, carnival rides, milking cow, even a fire works display!