

# WALLINGTON P.S. NEWSLETTER

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## DIARY DATES



Wed 17th Sep	School Council Meeting
Thu 18th Sep	Children's Fair
Fri 19th Sep	Last Day of Term Dismissal 2.30 pm
Mon 6th Oct	Start of term 4
Thu 20 Nov	Gr 5/6 Police Blue Light Disco

## PRINCIPAL NEWS

### Children's Fair

The Annual Children's Fair will be held on Thursday 18th September. Each grade runs a stall and the children are given the opportunity to go around and visit the other stalls. Stalls include white elephant, teacher sponge throw, coin toss, face painting etc. The money raised goes to our World Vision sponsored child – Jacklyn Annan.

### Last Day of Term

**Friday 19th September** is the last day of term. Students will be dismissed at 2:30pm. Could families please make the necessary arrangements to have their child/children picked up at **2:30pm**.

### End of term arrangements.

1:30pm Lunch  
2:00pm Bell to come inside  
2:15pm Assembly  
2:30pm Dismissal

Term 4 dates are from Monday 6 October to Friday 19 December.

### Pupil Free Day

Teachers spent the day doing a number of tasks.

1 The development of a writing rubrics that looks at the progression points for writing. Teachers will be developing a series of these rubrics to assist in the tracking of student progress from one year to the next.

2. Learning Assessment Frameworks – in Maths. Emily Duckett lead the session to develop a whole school approach to the implementation to Multiplicative Thinking (Multiplicative thinking is indicated by a capacity to work flexibly with the concepts, strategies and representations of multiplication (and division) as they occur in a wide range of contexts.)

The Learning and Assessment Framework for Multiplicative Thinking (LAF) was developed on the basis of research conducted through Scaffolding Numeracy in the Middle Years (SNMY) project.

A learning and assessment framework is generally understood to be a hierarchy of key ideas and strategies related to the development of an important aspect of the mathematics curriculum that is expressed in way that is accessible and useful to teachers. To date, these have tended to be developed for the Early Years in fairly independent 'domains'.

### Principal's News (contd...)

The LAF attempts to bring together all of the key ideas, strategies and representations of multiplication and division needed to work flexibly and confidently with whole numbers, fractions, decimals and percent across a wide range of contexts.

The LAF is organised in terms of 8 zones from initial explorations with concrete materials through to the confident use of a wide variety of multiplicative structures and symbolic forms.

It is linked to the rich assessment tasks used to evaluate multiplicative thinking and contains explicit advice on teaching implications. It also reflects the growth of problem-solving skills and higher-order cognitive thinking.

3. Sharing resources that work

### Geelong Zone Sports

On Monday we have a number of students competing in the Geelong Zone Athletic Championships. This will be held at Landy Field and we wish them the best for the day.

### Working Bee Term 4

Our next working bee will be held on Friday October 17<sup>th</sup> (the second Friday of term four) from 3:30 pm onwards. We are asking for people who were rostered on for term three to help and other volunteers. We will have icy poles for the kids too.

Jobs will include:

- Cut and remove section of hand rail to improve pathway access. We need a person to help cut a section of hand rail.
- Prepare pathway outside 2V classroom.
- Clean up behind garden shed in readiness for shipping container for storage.
- Concrete and repair broken pathway to entry of the school and outside of library.
- Mow and slash grass around playground and west end of school.
- Trees loped outside art room and garden cleaned of waste and thinned out.
- Tree outside the library needs to be removed including its root system as this is damaging the pathways etc.
- General cleaning and sweeping around main buildings.
- Cleaning up around bike shed.

We have also received some freefall for the main playground and are looking for any volunteers to help start spreading this as soon as possible.

Thankyou to everyone that helped clean out 'B block' including the moving of Strawberry Fair materials, student chairs, clothing and other supplies.

We are also after anyone interested in making tables and seating to be place around the oval and main building. If you can help please see Mr Vaught.

Thankyou  
Environment Committee



### Artist in Residence

Jon Madin will be conducting a parent workshop on Monday 13th October at 3.30 pm. We will be making 'ding boxes', which will be used in the Concert and then kept as music resources for the school.

Please let the staff know if you are able to attend and please bring a drill and handsaw. Thank you.

*PS: Please see below poster about Jon Madin.*

Judie Mac

**THE MUSIC MAN**  
**Jon Madin is coming to**  
**Wallington Primary School!**  
 October 1,3,14,20,21,27,28.



### Dingboxes

You step or jump on these boxes and they ding musical notes. Instructions for making them can be found in 'Make Your Own Wacky Instruments' by Jon Madin. Stomp boxes have percussion instruments either in or connected to them.

**PARENTS & FRIENDS... COME AND HELP MAKE**  
**'DING BOXES' AND CHILDREN'S INSTRUMENTS.**  
**ENJOY THE CONCERT ON TUESDAY 28, 2PM.**

### Lost Property

**Please check lost property (located in First Aid room - next to office). A reminder to label all clothing items so that it can be returned to the rightful owner.**

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.

Expressions of Interest

**Basic Hand Drumming**

**Group Classes**

Turn up & Join In, all drums Supplied, \$20 on the day.

First class

**September the 29<sup>th</sup> @ 6.30**

**68 Hitchcock Ave Barwon Heads**

Continuing on each Monday night through summer

**0401 557 233**

Scott McCutcheon Drumming on Facebook



### CYBERSMART PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

**Bellarine Secondary College**

Would you like to learn more about what technology young people are using and how they can use it smarter?

Then please come to the

**Cyber Republic – It's another land online event**

The City of Greater Geelong Youth Development Unit in conjunction with the Victorian Police, Headspace and Dialogue Consulting are delivering a cybersmart information evening session for parents, at Bellarine SC. There is no cost and supper will be served. Details are as follows –

**DATE: Monday 6 October**

**TIME: 7pm-8pm**

**LOCATION: Bellarine Secondary College Ocean Grove**

**Campus Shell Rd Ocean Grove**

**This is a FREE event**

All parents are welcome. **Please RSVP your attendance to Kerrie Condon on 5272 6120 or**

**[kcondon@geelongcity.vic.gov.au](mailto:kcondon@geelongcity.vic.gov.au)**. Cyber Republic is supported by the Victorian Government 'It's There for Life' grants and designed by the Bellarine Youth Action Crew

**PENINSULA  
LITTLE  
ATHLETICS  
CLUB**

Be your best with  
fun and fitness at ...

**Little Athletics**

**COME AND SEE WHAT  
IT'S ALL ABOUT...**

**PENINSULA LITTLE ATHLETICS CLUB  
INFORMATION & SIGN UP DAY**

**Sunday September 14th**

11.00am - 1.00pm at the  
Drysedale Primary School oval

Information session 12.00 noon

Fun activities for all. Try out hurdles,  
sprints, high jump and much more.

**SEASON STARTS  
SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER**  
 JOHN LANDY ATHLETICS FIELD, SOUTH GEELONG

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