

# **WALLINGTON** Primary School

## **NEWSLETTER**

FAIR

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## DIARY DATES

Principal: Leigh McLaren School Council President: James Watson

Fri 21st Aug	2nd Hand Uniforms sale 2.30 - 3.45 pm
Tue 25th Aug	Athletics Carnival Landy Field P-3
Mon 24th- Fri 28th Aug	Book Week
Thu 27th Aug	Book Parade 9.15 am
Wed 26th Aug	Parents & Friends Meeting & Dinner 6pm
Wed 2nd - Fri 4th Sep	Fathers Day Stall
Mon 7th - Fri 11th Sep	Artist in Residence - Circus Performance
Fri 11th Sep	School Concert - Circus Theme
Thu 17th Sep	Special Lunch Day
Fri 19th Sep	End of Term 3 2.30 pm Dismissal

### **PRINCIPAL NEWS**

This week marks the half way part of this term. Over the past few weeks we have had many children (and staff) ill. If your child is not feeling well we suggest that they stay home so as not to spread the illness. I realise that for many children they want to come to school, but if they are not well it is best that they spend a day or so at home recuperating.

## **Book Week**

Book week parade will be held on the basketball court at 9:15am on <u>Thursday 27th August</u>. The theme is <u>Books Light Up the World</u>. Children are encouraged to come dressed as their favourite book character from here or around the world. Parents



are more than welcome to come along and enjoy the parade. After recess we will be having whole school book week activities based on the Short list Books (as nominated by the Children's Book Council). In the afternoon come along and enjoy a BOOK SHARE in the Hall at 2:30pm. This is where we bring along our favourite book to share with others for half an hour and then we finish up with an episode of Wallington Family Feud.

## Literacy/Numeracy Week 31 August - 4th September

On Thursday  $3^{\rm rd}$  September we will be having a well-known Illustrator coming to talk to the students about



illustrating books. Then on the Friday, instead of assembly we will be having a Maths

Puzzle session from  $2\mbox{:}30$  –  $3\mbox{:}30\mbox{pm}$  . Parents are most welcome to come and join in the fun.



## **Our volunteers**

I would like to acknowledge the work that our volunteers do around the school. People volunteer in a number of ways at the school and it needs to be acknowledged. Parent helpers in the class room, Parents and Friends, Strawberry Fair, Grounds Work, Camps and Excursions, School



Council, Hot lunches, Book Club, just to name a few areas. Rest assured the contributions that our volunteers make is greatly appreciated.



Principal's News (contd)

#### **Returning of Notes etc**

We ask that notes that have to be returned are done so by or before the due date. Often the organisation of activities is dependent upon numbers and having late returns creates problems. I know homes can be very busy places but I do ask that notes etc are returned on time.

### **District Athletic Sports**

Grades 3 – 6 will be participating in the Athletic Sports at Landy Field next **Tuesday**, **25**<sup>th</sup> **August**. Travel to and from the event will be by bus. A note has already gone home about this. Children will participate in a range of track and field events. From the day's events, the district will select its team to represent the district at the Zone level in October.

## **Debating**

Last week our fabulous debating team won their debate on "Social Media". In a well-constructed and co-ordinated argument, Max L, Annelise, and Beccy won the day for Wallington. Annelise was awarded best speaker. Congratulations to the debating





team, Brenda (Beccy's mum) and Miss Rogers for an excellent effort.

#### Last day of term

Students will be dismissed on the last day of term 3 at **2:30pm**.

## Figure This!

Two players each roll an ordinary sixsided die. Of the two numbers showing, the smaller is subtracted from the larger. If the difference is 0, 1, or 2, player A gets 1 point. If the difference is 3, 4, or 5, Player B gets 1 point. The game ends after 12 rounds. The player with the most points wins the game. Is this game fair?

Last Week "Figure This" Quick Answer: It takes about 15 minutes for a heart to beat 1000 times. On January 10, 2000, your heart would have beat about 1 million times. 27 years later your heart would reach about 1 billion beats The complete answer:

http://figurethis.nctm.org/challenges/c02/answer.htm



## SCHOOL CONCERT: AT THE CIRCUS



Stilts BALANCE roll juggle

## spin perform

All grades will be participating in a School Concert on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

Students will be showcasing the circus skills they will have practised during that week with Terry Cole, artist in residence. We anticipate that some parents will prefer to attend an afternoon concert, and others, an evening concert (*please attend only one session*). All students will be required to be at school for both performances. A note has been sent home today about seats allocation for the Concert. Please return this by **Monday, 24th August 2015**.

Judie Macmillan, Art Teacher

#### **SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS**

## Romsey Primary School 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Open Day Saturday October 24<sup>th</sup> from 10.00am – 4.00pm

All past students, families and staff of Romsey Primary School are invited to our 150<sup>th</sup> celebration at the current school site in Station Street, Romsey. Visits to the old school will be available, and there will be displays, demonstrations, a mini market day, and gourmet bar-b-cue lunch on the day. An official ceremony will be held at 2.30pm. Other activities in Romsey over that weekend include a special screening of Dusty at the Mechanics Institute with an old time supper afterwards on Saturday evening, a special World Children's Day activity program at Sydney Seymour Cottage (hosted by the Romsey Lancefield Historical Society) on Sunday and a family picnic day at the old school site also on Sunday. Some of the local cafes, restaurants and hotels will be offering special deals for those attending the Open Day at Romsey. All good reasons to come along and catch up with old acquaintances!

For further information visit the Romsey Primary school website www.romseyps.vic.edu.au or call 03 5429 5099. Email your attendance to romsey.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

See also flyer on Wallington PS noticeboard



**Media Release** SES Victoria State Emergency Service Bellarine Unit

#### You can make a difference on the Bellarine!

Any spare time on your hands? Looking to give back to your local community? Victoria State Emergency Service (VICSES) Bellarine Unit is recruiting for new volunteers, both female and male to assist them in keeping the community safe, particularly during weekdays.

VICSES Bellarine Unit is a diverse group of volunteers made up of women and men, mums and dads the young and old. VICSES is Victoria's response agency for flood, storm, earthquake and tsunami emergency, as well as road crash rescue. Volunteers receive accredited, recognised training as part of their role, which may include rescue skills, chainsaw operations or securing a roof in a storm.

VICSES units also assist other emergency agencies at incidents such as searches and rescues. As well

as emergency response, VICSES volunteers engage with the community to help them prepare for disasters.

VICSES Bellarine Unit Controller Dion Henderson said volunteering is a rewarding way of helping the community.

"VICSES is a great place to meet new and exciting people and the unit always welcomes newcomers," he said.

"I would encourage everyone to join and lend a hand. There are roles for everyone, from working the chainsaw to communications and even public education.'

The Bellarine Unit is located at Grubb Road and hosts evening training sessions every Thursday at 7:00pm.

If you would like to learn more about becoming a SES volunteer, please contact Dion Henderson on 0427 074 029 or visit the VICSES website www.ses.vic.gov.au/volunteer

Bellarine Secondary College is bringing a group of Japanese students to Australia. Host families are required for 6 days and 5 nights in November for 20 students. For further information — call Tracey on 0418320537 or email: thhughes@bigpond.com



See also flyer on Wallington PS noticeboard

**COLLENDINA CRICKET CLUB - JUNIOR SIGN UP** U/11, U/13, U/15 & U/17 SUNDAY 23RD & 30TH AUGUST 10 AM - 12 PM AT THE CLUBROOMS. ANY ENOUIRIES TO DES EVERY 0413387453

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.

## PARENTS & FRIENDS

## Fathers Day Stall 2nd - 4th September

If any parents are able to assist with running the stalls, wrapping gifts etc on these days, there is a roster on the Grade 2 window to put names down.



Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

A quick reminder that the next P & F meeting is next Wednesday night, 26th August 6pm at Ming Terrace. Please RSVP to me at <a href="mailto:breeschammer@bigpond.com">breeschammer@bigpond.com</a> if you would like to come along for our table booking.

We warmly invite all parents to come along for a relaxed dinner and chat about the remaining years activities.

## **Bendigo Bank**

Reminder that the Bendigo Bank is offering School Banking for all students every Monday at 9 am. Application forms are available from the office.

Any queries can be directed to Bendigo Bank at Gateway Plaza in Leopold Tel: 52501057 or email: Leopoldmailbox@bendigobank.com.au

## **Newsletters Via Email**

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www.wallington-ps.vic.edu.au Click on the News Tab - Newsletters - then follow the prompts.



Don't forget our Toucan Appeal runs to the end of this term. Thank you to the families who have already made donations. Items Geelong FOOD RELIEF can be left at the front office.

## **WOULD YOU LIKE TO HOST AN OVERSEAS STUDENT?**

Experience another culture, make new friends and improve your language studies at home

Hosting – An Experience for Life

Student Exchange is looking for host families across Australia to welcome overseas students into their home.



www.studentexchange.org.au 1300 135 331 (cost of local call)