

# WALLINGTON P.S. NEWSLETTER

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## DIARY DATES



Thu 28th Aug	Gr 6 Debate
Fri 29th Aug	Book Parade & Whole School Picnic
Tue 2nd Sep & Fri 5th Sep	Fathers Day Stall
Wed 3rd - 5th Sep	Gr 3/4 Camp
Thu 11th Sep	Pupil Free Day
Wed 17th Sep	School Council Meeting
Thu 18th Sep	Children's Fair

## PRINCIPAL NEWS



### The School App

The school App (Skoolbag) is now available for all mobile devices. For instruction please use the following link:

<http://www.skoolbag.com.au/forparents.php>

This School Mobile App provides us with an easy way to tell parents and carers everything they need to know about school news, newsletters, events calendar, cancellations, school notices, school information, school time-

tables, parent sick note forms, school documents and much more. No more lost paper in school bags!

Under the e parent tag, parents can notify the school of a student's absence by completing the form and pressing send. An email is automatically generated and sent to the school's email address. The same applies for updating family details.

Best of all it will provide you with updates to what is happening at school, reminders of notes, newsletters etc.

If parents wish to have items placed on the app please contact the office. The more people who have access the App the more effective it will be.

### Grade 3 and 4 Camp

The grades 3 and 4 camp is being held next week. Mrs Farley (Miss Jones), Mr Stevens, Mrs Lennon, and Julie Laird have been preparing for this camp along with the children. The Marysville Camp is a new camp for us and at the conclusion we will be evaluating the camp to see if it is suitable for a booking in 2 year's time. We wish all the campers the best.



While Mrs Lennon is on camp I will be taking Grade 6.

### Somers Camp

We currently have 4 students on Somers Camp-Josh S, Annelise J, Jett W and Eliza V are currently enjoying the sunny weather beside Western Port Bay.



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

This camp is offered to the school once every 2 years and is for a limited number of students as the camp group is made up of students for other schools as well. We will be looking forward to hearing about their adventures in a few weeks. For more information about this camp please go to:

<http://www.somerscamp.vic.edu.au/index.htm>

### Debating

Tonight our Debating team takes on Westbourne College. This is the first 'Secret' debate where each team is only given 30 minutes to prepare. Thanks to Belinda Morrissy for all the work she has put into getting the team ready.

### B Block Clean Out

Next week we will be getting B Block ready for demolition. We are having a working be starting at 10:00am and the purpose is to remove all items from the building. If you can spare some time next week we would welcome your help.

### CYBER SAFETY

Although we haven't had any recent issues at school in regard to cyber-bullying, as educators and parents it is always important to talk to our children/students about safety on the net. Please find listed below some discussion points as well as an excellent website.

A reminder to our students that even if you think something has been deleted a digital footprint is always left on your computer. If you are supervising your children on the internet at home, you can help them stay safe online by reminding them of the following simple steps:

- ☑ Never share passwords, no matter how much they trust their friends.
- ☑ Use strong passwords with a combination of letters and numbers, not something that is easy to guess, like a pet's name or a favourite singer.
- Don't publish personal details or those of their friends, such as names, ages, school details, email ad-dresses or phone numbers on social networking sites (including profiles).
- Don't publish inappropriate photos of themselves or anyone else and ask permission before writing about other people or publishing their photo.
- Don't reply to nasty email messages (but keep a copy of them in case they're needed if trouble arises)
- Block senders of inappropriate or unpleasant messages or delete the person if they are in their contact list.
- Don't give out a mobile number to people they don't know or trust.
- Save all nasty messages on their email accounts or mobile phones as evidence and show an adult.
- If you're being bullied online, hit the PRINT SCREEN button immediately you see something inappropriate. This can then be pasted into a document and become your evidence to effectively stop the bully.

Source: The Federal Government Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA). Cyber Safety Resources for Families - ACMA have a great site with information for all ages - <http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/>

At this site parents and children can learn together visiting the age appropriate links for Young Kids (0 - 7), Kids (8 - 12) and Teens (13 - 18).



Josh recently did a promotion for Footy Colours Day. This is through the Fight Cancer Foundation. There will be an article about Josh and what has happened to him and how much he loves sport, especially footy. Please support Footy Colours Day on 5 Sept and help other kids just like Josh in fighting blood disorders and cancer. Check out [www.footycoloursday.com.au](http://www.footycoloursday.com.au)



**SOME OF OUR ASPIRING ATHLETES AT THE RECENT ATHLETICS CARNIVAL.**



**Wallington Cricket Club**

Cricket Clinics school holiday sessions:

Mon 8th Sept & Mon 15th Sept 4 pm -5 pm

Mon 22nd Sept & Mon 29th Sept 10 am-12 pm

Sausage sizzles available after the sessions.

All clinics will be held at Wallington cricket club.

Contact Mick for more info 0488009270

**Artist in Residence**

In term 4, Mr Jon Madin will be working in the Art Room/hall to conduct Music/Performance workshops with all grades. He will be here on Mondays and Tuesdays for 3 weeks. The dates are Oct 13, 14, 20, 21, 27 & 28. Jon is an accomplished musician who creates fantastic Marimba performances for school and community events. He has also created 'Whacky Instruments' for children to enjoy. We will conclude his program with a concert on Tuesday 28th Oct from 2 pm - 3.30 pm.

All grades will be learning a performance piece for the concert and also making a whacky instrument. Assistance from classroom helpers would be much appreciated. Also, Jon will be conducting a Parent Workshop on Monday, 13th Oct from 3.30 pm to make a set of 'Ding boxes'. These can then be kept as school resources. Drills and handsaws will be needed for this workshop. Please let us know if you can attend.

Jon has worked here in the past and certainly adds wonderful colour and music to the school.

This program is funded by a generous grant from the CASS Foundation.

*Judie Macmillan*



**Season 2014 / 2015 Junior Registration and MILO In 2 Cricket Sign Up Days**

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August 10.00am – 12.00pm**

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 6.00pm – 7.30pm**

**@ Memorial Reserve, The Avenue, Ocean Grove**

Come and join "The Grubbers" the largest and strongest family cricket club in both Seniors and Juniors cricket in the Bellarine where we invite boys and girls to enjoy their cricket and have fun whilst also giving them opportunities to improve their game and potentially play in seniors.

Fielding Teams in age groups for MILO and Under 11, 13, 15 and 17 for players born on or after the 1<sup>st</sup> September. Under 11 will play on Friday afternoon / evenings starting about 4.45 – 5.00pm, Under 13, 15 and 17 play on Saturday mornings 9.00 – 11.45 am

Under 13, 15 and 17 Training will begin the week commencing **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September** with the first game of the season expected to commence **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October** (U13, 15, 17).

Under 11 training will commence on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October** and the first game for Under 11s and MILO first night will be **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October**.

**\*New players to OGCC and existing players moving up from Under 11s to Under 13s, please bring a copy of your birth certificate for the club to keep on registration day\***

Registrations for **Milo In 2 Cricket** for children 5– 10 years old can also be made.

**Registrtrtion Fees for Juniors and MILO are as follows:-**

1 <sup>st</sup> child	\$ 70.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> child	\$ 60.00
Family registration (3 or more)	\$ 150.00
Social Member	\$ 25.00

**All enquiries to Paul Madden, OGCC, on 0458 500 801 or email [paulmadden@nbnco.com.au](mailto:paulmadden@nbnco.com.au)**

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