



# WALLINGTON Primary School

## NEWSLETTER



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### DIARY DATES

Fri 8th May	Mothers Day Stall 3.30 pm
Tue 12th-Thu 14th May	NAPLAN Yr 3 & Yr 5
Tue 12th May	Hot Chocolate Day
Wed 13th May	Bravehearts P-2 Parents & Friends Meeting 9.15 am Elkhorn
Wed 20th May	School Council Education Week Open Day 9.30 - 11 am
Tue 26th May	Division Cross Country
Fri 29th May	Blu Guru Incursion Whole School Parents & Friends Social @ Flying Brick Cider
Wed 3rd Jun - Fri 5 Jun	Yr 3-4 Burnside Camp
Fri 12th Jun	Student Reports
Wed 17th & Thu 18 Jun	Parent Teacher Interviews
Fri 19th Jun	Pupil Free Day

### PRINCIPAL NEWS

We would like to wish all the Mums a  
**Happy Mother's Day for Sunday**



#### Cross Country

At the time of writing the results for the cross country were not available. Thank you to all the parents who transported and assisted on the day.

#### 3 Way Interviews

On 17th and 18<sup>th</sup> June, (this is in response to requests from parents) we will be holding our 3 way inter-views. This is an opportunity for students, parents, and teachers to celebrate student achievements as well as talk about what the next step is for student learning. Students will be required at school to attend the interview.

#### Pupil Free Day

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June will be a pupil Free Day. Students will not be required at School on that day.

#### School Council

The next meeting of the school council will be on Wednesday 20th May at 3:45pm. The resources meeting is next Friday at 8:30am.

#### Mother's Day Stall

The Mother's Day Stall will continue tomorrow at: 3:30pm – 4.00 pm tomorrow. Items will be sold for around \$4.00 and there is a maximum of 2 items per student.

#### BraveHearts

Next week the Preps 1, and 2 will be attending a Braveheart's Performance of Ditto's Adventures in the hall. Parents are more than welcome to attend.

#### Prep 2016 Open Morning

We will be holding an Information session on the 20<sup>th</sup> May at 9:30am in the library. Notices have gone out to the kindergartens but if you know of any prospective parents for next year can you please let them know about this session.

#### Principal News (contd)

#### Geelong College Challenge

Anouk M, Brianna L, and Kieran S represented the school at the Geelong College Challenge last Tuesday. The day is made up of a series of challenges and a major problem.

Technology Challenge, Maths Challenge and a Sport Challenge were held first. The final part is the major Problem. This year's problem was to build a 'Mouse Trap' race car and then be the group that makes it travel the farthest. Wallington won the Technology Challenge and came third in the Major problem. Overall Wallington came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Challenge. A great effort! Thanks to the parents who came and supported our students throughout the day.



#### Our Geelong Challenge team

#### Team entry's Mouse Trap Racer

#### Lost Property

We are accumulating a bit of lost property. If your child is missing a jumper or shirt please feel free to come in and have a look. Clothing with names are returned to the rightful owners.

Tip: If you purchase from the second hand shop please cross out the old name and then label the item appropriately with your child's name. Lost property is located in the first aid room next to the front office.

#### NAPLAN

Next week the students in grades 3 and 5 will be undertaking the NAPLAN. The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual national assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7, and 9. All students in these year levels are expected to participate in tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. All government and non-government education authorities have contributed to the development of NAPLAN materials.

#### Why students are required to participate in the NAPLAN test?

NAPLAN is the measure through which governments, education authorities, schools, teachers and parents can determine whether or not young Australians are meeting important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy. The tests provide parents and schools with an understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the tests. They also provide schools, states and territories with information about how education programs are working and which areas need to be prioritised for improvement. NAPLAN tests are one aspect of the school's assessment and reporting process, and do not replace the extensive, ongoing assessments made by teachers about each student's performance.

#### What is tested and how

NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. The content of each test is informed by the National Statements of Learning for English and mathematics which underpin state and territory learning frameworks. Questions are multiple-choice or require a short written response. The Writing task requires students to write a persuasive or narrative text.



Leigh McLaren  
Principal

## SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS

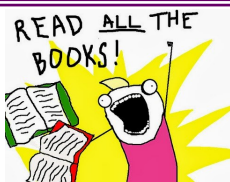


### Last Week's SUPER STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS



<b>Prep Duckett</b>	<b>Ben M</b> For working really hard in writing. Your question to the Wallington Bunyip was terrific.
<b>1M McLaren</b>	<b>Ruby E</b> For her persistence and hard work learning so many spelling words. Super effort Ruby!
<b>3S Stevens</b>	<b>Tess E</b> For working hard in the first three weeks of Term 2. It's been great having you back full time in the classroom. Keep up the great work, Tess.
<b>4J Farley</b>	<b>Rani</b> For always trying her best and actively contributing during Numeracy discussions this week.
<b>5K King</b>	<b>Lily S</b> For showing great consistency in her ability to apply herself and complete all set tasks to the best of her ability, a great work ethic, Lily.
<b>6L Rogers</b>	<b>Joe D</b> For taking responsibility of his learning by making excellent choices of where he works in the room.
<b>Principal's Award</b>	<b>Kieran S</b> For his random act of kindness to his fellow student.

Thank you to all who supported the Book Fair last week. We sold an amazing \$1700 worth of books! We were able to keep some books for our library and received scholastic rewards, together they are worth \$400!



A big thank you to Jo Harris for helping with setting up. Also Diana Lacey, Petra Joly, Fiona Ferguson, Naomi Watson and Renee Renshaw and Choley for helping on the days and Mr & Mrs McLaren for helping packing up Friday night!

Enjoy the books heaps!

Kerstin



### ASIAN DAY

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2015

This day will be a whole school day of fun, entertainment, and activity. We encourage all students to dress up in colourful Asian-inspired clothes.

Students will work in multi-age groups to complete a variety of activities, including food, craft and games. The day will start with a wonderful performance by 'BluGuru'. The cost for the performance is \$5. Permission notes have been sent home today and must be returned by 22nd May.



Parvyn & Josh are  
**BluGuru**

BluGuru is a colourful blend of Indian music and dance featuring Parvyn Singh & Josh Bennett.

Parvyn performs traditional Indian song and dance accompanied by master musician Josh Bennett on various Southern Asian instruments. BluGuru's performance gives students a fascinating insight into Indian music, dance and culture.

Parvyn even teaches students some popular Bollywood moves, students and teachers alike can participate!

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

### Hot Chocolate Day

Hot Chocolate day will be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May.

Children are welcome to bring a gold coin donation and their own mug to be filled with hot chocolate.

All proceeds will go to the Geelong Hospital Appeal.

Hot Chocolate



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### Parents and Friends Social Night Out

All parents and friends of the school community are invited to a fun social night out at the **Flying Brick Cider House on Friday May 29<sup>th</sup>**.

Starting at 6pm, dinner is \$35pp and includes a generous assortment of share platters for the table. Drinks are at bar prices.

Pre-payment is essential and booking forms can be picked up at the office, with **money and forms due back no later than Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May**.



### Next Meeting

The next parents and friends meeting is on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 9.15am at the Elkhorn Roadhouse**.

We warmly invite all parents to come along for a casual coffee and chat about the year's upcoming activities.

If anyone would like to go on the distribution list for parents and friends meeting minutes and correspondence, please email [breeschammer@bigpond.com](mailto:breeschammer@bigpond.com)

### Bunyip Camp

Another Bunyip Camp has come and gone. It was just the other day my wife ran into a person who remembers attending this camp 40 years ago and I also ran into a grandparent at the supermarket who remembered her granddaughter attending 8 years ago. It is a time at school that students remember.



To make this happen, we needed the help of a lot of people and it is the help of families that makes this school and camp great. A big thank you to all the staff and parents that helped with firewood, straw bales, preparing activities, preparing and serving food, organizing food, picking up sick children and sleeping over. Most of all, congratulations to all the children that took part in such an enthusiastic, kind, friendly and confident manner. Their behavior was outstanding.

Jason Vaught and the Prep-2 unit

### Meagan Burch Music Tuition

Music Lessons AT school –

Piano, keyboard, Guitar, Ukulele, Drum or Singing Lessons

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