



WALLINGTON Primary School

NEWSLETTER



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FAIR

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DIARY DATES

Wed 21st October	Geelong Cup holiday
Wed 28th October	School Council First Aid workshop grades 1-6
Fri 30th October	Parents Social @ Flying Brick Ciderhouse
Wed 4th November	Whole school excursion
Thur 5th -12th & 19th November	2016 Prep orientation days
Sun 15th November	Mitre 10 BBQ
Wed 18th November	P & F meeting at 9.00am in School Hall
Wed 18th November	School Council Meeting
Monday 30th November	Pupil free day

PRINCIPAL NEWS

Geelong Cup Holiday

Wednesday 21st October is a holiday. Staff and students are not required at school.

School Council

The next meeting of the School Council will be on Wednesday 28th October at 3:45pm in the staff room. The school council is currently looking at developing a Futures Plan for the school. This plan will set the agenda for the next 3 years. The plan will focus around 3 areas Physical Environment, School Community Engagement, and Communication. Once the plan is drafted it will be circulated for comment by the school community. This is an initiative of the school council to ensure that there is a cohesive and collaborative approach to the development of the school. The plan will complement the School's Strategic Plan (that looks at Achievement, Engagement, Well-Being, Productivity)

Strawberry Fair Meeting

The next meeting will be on 11th November at 7:00pm in the staff room. We need as many people as possible to attend. If you are unsure about what is involved come along and have a look. Everyone is welcome.

Clubs

Instead of Friday Sport, students will participate in clubs. It will take place at the same time. The children will be taking part in a wide range of multi-aged activities. Assembly will start at 3:05pm each Friday.

Visitors to the School

In these times of uncertainty it is prudent to remind people that all visitors to the school should first visit the office to sign in. Not only is this part of our emergency management plan. I know that this can be a hassle but rest assured that it is done so with the safety of everyone in mind.

Mrs Lennon

This week we welcome back Mrs Lennon. Mrs Lennon will be supporting teachers in the classrooms. Miss Rogers will be continuing with Grade 6.



SWIMMING PROGRAMME TERM 4

Week 1

Swimming begins on Monday November 16th. In order to finalise the program we are asking for all permission forms and program costs of **\$100 to be returned by Friday October 30th**. The school program for prep to year 3 students will commence on Monday November 16th and run over the following two weeks with Fridays being rest days. Fees cover transport, entry and eight 45 minute instructional swimming lessons by qualified instructors at Bellarine Aquatic Sports Centre (BASC) Ocean Grove.

Get organised and don't forget to label your clothes, bathers and bags for wet clothes etc.

This program is an important part of students gaining not only a life skill of swimming but also independence, organisation, responsibility and confidence.

This program is part of the schools extra curricula sports educational program and it is expected that all children will participate.

If anyone is wishing to have forms signed for Surf Life Saving Nipper programs, this is a great time to get those forms signed. Please see Mr Vaught if you need this done.

Thank you,
Mr Vaught
Swimming Coordinators





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



PREP Duckett	OWEN P For great improvement in your counting strategies. You can use bundles to count large numbers. Well done LUKE N Working hard and offering to help others. Well done.
PIM McLaren	TILLY K For excellent work in Maths—knowing the fractions halves, quarters, thirds, sixths and eights. Super work Tilly! MEG T For wonderful work in Maths knowing the fractions 1/2 and 1/4, as well as 1/2 of a group. Great work Meg!
2V Vaught	BILLY H For his excellent leadership skills and enthusiasm for everything he takes part in. CHARLIE W For his use of excellent mathematical strategies and skills and sharing his problem solving methods with the class.
3S Stevens	SHAYLEAH NG For working hard in mathematics this week. Keep up the great work Shayleah
4J Farley	EVE Mc For great contributions this week in all mathematics lessons. Keep up the great work Eve!
5D King	DANIEL Mc For a great start to Term 4, demonstrating a very good work ethic and an enthusiastic attitude towards all class activities.
6L Lennon/ Rogers	ANNELISE J For persisting through a challenging Numeracy task and not giving up until she felt she had developed a strong understanding of division.

**WHOLE SCHOOL EXCURSION
The Happiness Box**



On Wednesday 4th November, we will have a whole-school excursion to Costa Hall in Geelong. The Melbourne Symphony Orchestra is performing a Classic Kids presentation, of a book called “The Happiness Box”. This story is considered a national treasure, having been written for children by Australian prisoners of war in Singapore during WW2.

It is a delightful tale of three animal friends who journey through the jungle together on a quest to discover the secret of happiness. There are many wonderful themes in the story, and teachers will be exploring these with students before and after the excursion. As well as attending the concert, we will spend time around the Waterfront area of Geelong, and so be out of school for the day.

The total cost for the whole day excursion is \$13

Further information about requirements for the day will be sent home with the payment/permission notes soon.

Judie McMillan



School Hats

Hats are available for purchase from the office
all sizes (S, M & L) at \$10.



CONGRATULATIONS to

Hugh Harris who competed at the Western Zone Athletic Carnival in the under 10 High Jump. He jumped a personal best and only narrowly missed out on the State titles after a count back.

WELL DONE HUGH !!!

Grade 3/4 in our wonderful garden
Beetroots ready to cook and eat!



Parents Social Night

Reminder payments are due in the draw next to the photocopier by the 22nd October.
Booking forms are available at the office.

Mitre 10 BBQ

Parents and Friends are hosting a BBQ at Wallington Mitre 10 on Sunday 15th November.
There will be a roster on Leigh's window with 2 hour blocks for volunteers.
If you are able to spare some time to assist on the day it would be greatly appreciated.

Save the Date – Christmas Picnic / Bush Dance

The end of year picnic will this year include a Family Bush Dance with live band.
It will be held on Friday 11th December at the school.
More details will be available soon.

Next Meeting

The next Parents and Friends meeting is on **Wednesday 18th November 9am in the Hall**
We warmly invite all parents to come along for a relaxed coffee and chat about the remaining years activities.

End of Year Christmas Family

BUSH DANCE

WALLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL FAMILIES

FRIDAY 11th DECEMBER


Sausage Sizzle from 5.30 - 6.00pm (gold coin donation)
or BYO picnic tea on the oval

Special Visit from Santa 6.00pm

Dancing from 6.30 - 8.00pm

LIVE MUSIC BY THE BILLY TEA BUSHBAND

DRESS: Country



Wallington PS 2nd Hand Uniforms

Next Uniform Sale
In the Hall Kitchen Area

Friday 23rd October 2.30pm - 4.00pm

GOLD COIN DONATION PER ITEM

Other times welcome by arrangement

*Donation of clean resalable uniform items
always accepted with thanks.
Leave at the office or pass on to:*

2nd Hand Uniform co-ordinator - Jo Harris



MILO CRICKET WALLINGTON CRICKET CLUB

Program for boys and girls to develop skills and enthusiasm for the game

Cost \$80 with Milo Cricket Pack OR \$20 with no pack.

First session is Friday 6th November 4.30pm. 10 week program (5 weeks before Christmas and 5 weeks during term 1)

For more details and to Register online www.playcricket.com.au

Bellarine Community Farmers' Market

This Saturday (and every third Saturday of the month), Ocean Grove park, 9am-1pm. Come along for the best of fresh, local produce, plants, flowers, food-to-go, coffee, buskers, pony rides, face-painting, playground & dogs on leads welcome. A great family day out!

Ph: Sally - 0418141208

Parenting
An initiative of the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development - Geelong

Presents:

Positive Parenting Program

A program for parents of children aged up to 8 yrs

Are you on the right track?

Do you need some help, tips or ideas?

Does your child have challenging behaviour?

The Positive Parenting Program is for parents of children aged up to 8 years. It involves 4 weeks of group work (2 hours per week) and up to 4 follow-up phone calls (10-15 min per week).

The program looks at:

- positive parent/child relationships
- negotiating everyday challenges
- encouraging desirable behaviour
- teaching new skills/behaviours
- managing common behaviour difficulties

Note: Places are strictly limited so registration is essential

Commencing:
Wednesday 28 October

Time:
9.30-11.30am

Location:
Whittington Primary School

Cost: Free

Phone:
5272 4817

Child Care available onsite (limited places)

Limited Places

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Presents:

Bringing Up Great Kids

A program for parents of children aged 5 to 12 yrs

Bringing up great Kids is a parenting program devised by the Australian Childhood Foundation, which aims to promote positive, respectful parent/child relationships.

The Bringing Up Great Kids program is a six-week program for parents of children aged 5-12 yrs. The program aims to equip parents with the skills to enhance their patterns of communication with their children, promote more respectful interactions and encourage the development of children's positive self identity.

Expected outcomes of the program

Participating parents will be better equipped to:

- Understand the origin and nature of their parenting style
- Understand the messages they give to, and receive from their children
- Identify and respond to the needs of their children
- Build a positive, respectful relationship with their child
- Source information and support for themselves in their parenting role.

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Commencing:
Thursday 15 October 2015

Time:
7.00pm-9.00pm

Location:
Bond Street Kindergarten, Bond Street

Cost:
\$20 or \$6.50 conc.

To register
Ph: 5272 4817



27TH OCT 6.30-8.00PM
LOG ON WITH YOUR KIDS-
COMMUNITY ED SESSION

Technology is here to stay, Children have never been so connected. This session has been developed for Parents/Carers and their Children to come together and talk about how to navigate the cyber world BEFORE they become adolescents.



Education and Training



You will spend 120hrs teaching your Child to drive, this event is focused on how you will support your Child in the online world.

For Families of Children aged 8-12 years.



Rsvp:
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VENUE
COMMUNITY CATS
Pool end of Skilled Stadium under the Doug Wade stand
www.batforce.org.au
6.30-8pm