

WALLINGTON P.S. NEWSLETTER

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15th of December 2011



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DIARY DATES



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| Fri 16th December | RE Service in the Hall - 9am - ALL WELCOME |
| Tues 20th December | Grade 6 Graduation |
| Wed 21st December | Adventure Park Grade 5/6 |
| Thurs 22nd December | Last Day of Term. 1.30 Finish |
| Thurs 9th February | Parent Club AGM Meeting - 9.15am |

MESSAGES FROM MR. MCLAREN

This is the final newsletter for the year. I would like to thank everyone for the work that they have put into Wallington Primary School this year. I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and look forward to seeing everyone back in 2012 safe and sound.

To the families that are finishing at Wallington I would like to wish them all the best for the future.

The work of the school Council and the Parents Club have provided great support to the school. Parents are always encouraged to get involved and are always welcome.

To the Staff of Wallington Primary School I owe a big vote of thanks not only for their hard work, but to the dedication and enthusiasm that they have for the students and the school at Wallington.

To the students at Wallington Primary School- thank you for being such a good group. The achievements of the students this year has been something to be proud of. Congratulations

Thank You and Good bye

Tomorrow is Jessica Henderson's last day at Wallington. Mrs Henderson has been at this school for two years and has contributed enormously to the school and its educational program. I, as would the entire school community, would like to wish her all the best for the future and thank you for all that you have done for Wallington.

Also I would like to acknowledge the hard work that Stanka Davis has put into the reading recovery position. Stanka has worked as a volunteer at this school whilst training as a reading recovery teacher. To Mrs Davis, thank you for all that you have done for the school. It is greatly appreciated.

The Access Road

I am pleased to announce that the access Road will be sealed over the Holiday break. VicRoads have informed me that the works are scheduled to commence between the 9th and 13th January. The school council, lead by Dean Herbert, has lobbied for this over the past 18 months. It is great to see it come to fruition.

Christmas Picnic

This was held last night and we had a good turn up. Father Christmas made an appearance on the back of the fire truck. The parents Club organised the night and it was enjoyed by all.

Last Day Arrangements

Final assembly will begin exactly at 1:00pm as we have many awards to present.

Students will be dismissed at 1:30pm

PLEASE NOTE Parents are asked to ensure that their child/children are picked up on time on the last day. Teachers will be involved in the setting up of the school for 2012

Pupil Free Days for 2012

1st February - Planning
19th March - Working with Professor John Munro
14th June 3 way interview
10th August Numeracy – quantifying/place value

Strawberry Fair News

At the last meetin it was decided that we should make our own jam for the Fair. Jenny Midgley and Naomi Watson are embarking on this project to produce 200 jars of jam. If anyone could donate sugar that would help keep the cost down to a minimum. Either see Jenny, Naomi or Leigh. They hope to begin production over the holidays.

Netball Grand Final

Congratulations to the Strawberries. Mimmi, Caitlin and Larissa from Wallington are on this team that was runner up in the Grand Final. Well Done

ANACONDA JUNIOR SURVIVOR CHALLENGE

Mimmi Balaam, Larissa Dixon, Seamus and Kieran Spanner participated in the Anaconda Junior Survivor Challenge at Lorne on Saturday 2nd Of December.

The challenge involved a 4km run with 12 different obstacles and exercises along the way. It was a fun event with over 600 participants and a fantastic personal achievement for each of our entrants. Congratulations on your great effort.

Principal Leigh McLaren

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Don't forget we are still collecting old mobile phones, all the donations go towards youth cancer research. The collection box is right out the front of the office!

SCHOOL NEWS

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Thursday 15th of December 2011

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| PK King | JUDD B For showing great improvement in swimming! |
| 12H Henderson | JACK N For always being helpful in the classroom and with Book Club! Well Done Jack! TAYJH S For always bring kind to others and trying very hard in all of his school work! |
| 12J Jones | SOPHIA F For her determination and creativity when writing her mini story. Well Done! REBECCA L For her fantastic efforts in swimming this week. Well done Rebecca! |
| 34V Vaught | ROSS S For fantastic independent work on projects. |
| 34M Murray | BAILEY K For showing such wonderful creative flair and imagination, particularly in his writing tasks. |
| 5D Duckett | CHARLI W For completing a wonderful reading log that reflected your passion for reading! Well Done Charli! OLIVIA Mc For taking the time to reflect on her learning and writing a really great evaluation of her improvements. Well Done! |
| Library Browne | MADDI W For her assistance with shelving books in the library and for always returning books on time! |



Library

This week in the library is grades prep, 1 and 2's. Please remember your book returns and your library bag.

Please return all library books if not already returned.

Parent Club Notification:

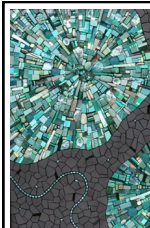
AGM nominations for all positions and the Fresh Fruit Friday coordinator are now being taken!

Santa hopes everybody who attended last nights family picnic had a jolly time!



RE Christmas Service

A RE Christmas service will be held in the Hall tomorrow the 16th of December



Hello Parents/Guardians,

The Art Room is looking for tiles, particularly white and terracotta to be used for mosaics in the last week. If you happen to have any spare hanging around the house or garage, please would you bring them into the Art room for Mrs. Hunter over the next few days. Thank you!



Food Donations:

There is a box out the front of the office for anybody who would like to donate some non-perishable Christmas food this holiday season. All food will go towards Geelong Food Relief



Coffee anyone?

Parents Club are holding a coffee catch up date at Elkhorn Café, 420 Wallington Road, Thursday December 22nd at 9am. **All Welcome!** Hope to see you there!
Parent Club

Want ideas for these holidays?

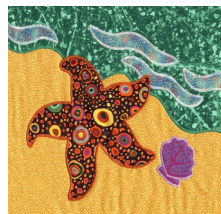
Melbourne Playgrounds is a free on-line guide to thousands of Melbourne activities for the entire family! Activities cover playgrounds (more than 2800 reviewed with photos), Play Centres, Aquatic Centres, Skate Parks, BMX tracks, miniature train rides, sport and recreation, nature activities, museum & science, educational pursuits, indoor activities, hobbies and cultural activities such as music and dance. Melbourne Playgrounds is unique in that it provides reviews, ratings and photos of activities.

There is also an extensive list of family activities outside Melbourne covering all of Victoria which is useful when planning a day trip or longer holidays within the State.

The website is: <http://www.MelbournePlaygrounds.com.au>

There is also a Facebook page which complements the website, <http://www.facebook.com/MelbournePlaygrounds>, which is running a photo quiz, "How well do you know Melbourne for Kids?" leading up to and during the School Holidays.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



SUMMER BY THE SEA

is on again! It's a free program of fun environmental activities taking place up and down the coast this summer.

Find out more by hopping onto www.dse.vic.gov.au/summerbythesea OR BY CALLING 136 186.



FOR SALE:

X2 iPod Nano 4th generation. Good condition, 1 pink and 1 green. \$60 Each. Ph. 0409 380 819

School Holiday Programs

There are numerous School Holiday Programs happening all over Geelong and the Bellarine Peninsula operated by the City of Greater Geelong to provide working families with appropriate care for their children during the school holidays. The aim of the program is to offer Primary School children a safe and fun environment, where they can enjoy their holidays.

For more information contact: 5272 4443 or
There are information booklets and enrolment forms on the table outside of Mr. McLaren's Office.



Meagan Burch Music Tuition

Music Lessons

Piano / keyboard. Guitar (acoustic, electric, bass) Singing

During &/or After School Hours at School

- Experienced, qualified, trained and Registered teachers, specifically chosen for primary aged students
- A modern & traditional curriculum designed by primary school & music teachers specifically for primary school-age children, to either learn to play for fun or as a pathway to VCE music
- Classes available for Prep—adult, beginners to advanced.
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To Pre-enrol or to obtain an information package please contact:

mbmt@bigpond.com Fax: 52 645 109.



Rollerway Skater Centre

Rollerway Skate Centre are offering all Wallington Primary School students a buy one inline/roller skate admission and get another one FREE! So go and get your voucher from the table out the front of Mr. McLaren's office and have some holiday fun!

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