

WALLINGTON P.S. NEWSLETTER

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DIARY DATES



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| Thu 16th August | Strawberry Fair meeting—7pm |
| Fri 24th August | Market Night |
| Thu 30th August | Fathers Day stall |
| Fri 31st August | Fathers Day stall |
| Thu 6th September | District Athletics |
| Fri 7th September | Uniform Sale |
| Mon 10th—12th September | 3/4 school camp |
| Tue 11th September | Environment and Curriculum meeting |
| Wed 19th September | School Council meeting |
| Thu 20th September | School Concert—7pm |
| Fri 21st September | Term 3 concludes |
| Mon 8th October | Term 4 commences |
| Wed 17th October | Geelong Cup—Public Holiday |
| Tue 6th November | Melbourne Cup Day |
| Thu 8th November | 2013 Prep orientation |
| Tue 13th November | Environment and Curriculum meeting |
| Thu 15th November | 2013 Prep orientation |
| Thu 22nd November | 2013 Prep orientation |

PRINCIPAL NEWS

Long Service Leave

We wish Mrs Murray and Mrs Marino all the best for their long service leave and we will look forward to catching up with them next term to hear of their time off.

Drivers Beware

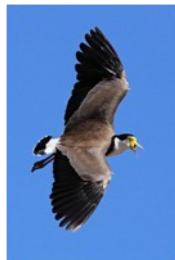
I have had a near miss reported to me just recently. The incident occurred when the driver was turning out of the access road onto Orchard Crescent. Another vehicle travelling down Orchard Crescent, at speed, nearly collided with the parent. Fortunately this was averted. Drivers are reminded that there is a stop sign the bottom of the access road.

Drivers should stop and beware of cars that come around the bend in Orchard Crescent. I have spoken with COGG about this and they will be erecting signs to warn that they are in a school zone. A 40km/hr school zone is in force along that stretch of road. It is the bend in the road that adds to the risk.

The Oval

The oval will be out of action for the next week or so. The ground is so sodden that each time it rains puddles form on the oval. Also everyone needs to be aware that Plovers are nesting on the oval. I ask that everyone should keep away from them at all times

as they will swoop. I have mentioned this to the students but it is worth having it reinforced at home.



The **Masked Lapwing** (*Vanellus miles*), previously known as the **Masked Plover** and often called the **Spur-winged Plover** or just **Plover** in its native range, is a large, common and conspicuous bird native to Australia, particularly the northern and eastern parts of the continent. It spends most of its time on the ground searching for food such as insects and worms and has several distinctive calls.

Illness.

Over the past couple of weeks we have had a spate of illness. This has affected both staff and students. If your child is away parents are asked to send along or note or ring to explain the absence. This is a Department regulation.

Strawberry Fair

Next Thursday is the Strawberry Fair Meeting. These meetings are to organise the fair for next year. We only had 2 people turn up to the meeting (we did have a couple of apologies) last time. The school is getting bigger but the amount of parents available to assist in the organisation has become less.

We need the help of the parents. It cannot be left to the few to do all the organisation. We try to have the fair basically organised by the end of the school year so when we come back all that needs doing is looking at the finer details.

The Strawberry Fair is the school's major fundraising event and we rely on that money raised to purchase resources and programs for the school.

The school survey at the end of the last fair endorsed unanimously to hold the fair again. However to do this we need support.

The Strawberry Fair meeting will be held on Thursday 16th August at 7pm in the staffroom. We need as many people as possible to attend so that the organisation for the 2013 fair can begin.

Lions Club Raffle

We need all raffle Tickets returned (sold – with money or unsold) by Friday 17th at the latest.

Parent Opinion Survey

The parent opinion survey was posted to a random sample of parents. If you received a survey can you please complete it and return it to the school by Monday. The survey envelopes are not open by the school, but by the company that is employed by the department to collate the results. The information from the surveys is used to determine the needs of the community and the direction of the school.

Leigh McLaren
Principal

Parents Club



Parents Club Market Night - Friday, August 24th at 7.30pm in the hall.

A market night will be held with stalls and supper. Entry will be \$5.00 with a complimentary drink. There will be approximately 25 stall-holders - Tupperware, Enjo, Creative Memories, Intimo Lingerie, Lorraine Lea Linen, Candles, organic cleaning products, makeup, hand massage, children's clothing and accessories, jewellery, flowers, . There will also be some delicious food stalls - cheeses, savoury and sweet treats, olive oil, fudge, jams and preserves. Enjoy a delicious supper to complete the night. There will be some prizes and tickets being sold for the raffle which will be drawn at the concert. The raffle prizes have been generously donated by the stall holders who are attending the market night and other supporters of our school. Keep this date free, invite family and friends and spread the word. *PLEASE... We need your help. Donations of cakes/slices to be sold with tea/coffee for supper would be very much appreciated.*

Breakfast/Morning tea at Van Loons - Thursday, 23rd August, at 9.15am

All parents and friends are invited to come along to Van Loons for breakfast/morning tea. If we have a booking of 10 or more, Van Loons will donate a \$40 voucher to be used for fundraising. This will be used as a prize for our raffle with tickets being sold at the market night and up until the concert with the prizes being drawn at the concert. If you are planning to attend, please leave your name on the list on the window outside Mr McLaren's office by Tuesday so the booking can be confirmed.

School Concert - Thursday, 20th September

Please ensure that you return your concert planning form with your offer of help, indication of ticket requirements and interest for DVD order as soon as possible.

A decision needs to be made regarding a DVD of the concert. A professional high quality DVD will be taken on the night if a minimum number of orders are received.

Jolie Image Photography

The expressions of interest offer has been extended for the family portrait offer from Jolie Photography. If we reach a minimum of 22 families, we will be securing a day (or days) for the photo's to be held in October.

Fathers Day stall

A Fathers Day stall will be held on Thursday 30th August and Friday 31st August at 2.30pm. Gifts will be \$4.00 each.

Second hand uniform sale - Friday, 7th September at 2.45pm

Bellarine Community Health

All women should have a pap test every 2 years until the age of 70. Bellarine Community Health (Drysdale) are pleased to offer extra FREE clinics during the month of August, September and October to enable women to get their pap test done.

This service normally incurs a cost.

Please ring the Service Access Officer on 5258 0812 to book an appointment today.

Strawberry Fair Jams, Preserves and Pickles

If you purchased or have tried any of the WPS jams, preserves and pickles produced for this years Strawberry Fair...we need your feedback NOW.

Any feedback, good or bad, would be greatly appreciated so that we can work out if this is a viable venture for next years fair.

Please direct your feedback to either Leigh McLaren or the office ladies asap. Thanks.

SCHOOL NEWS



Can you help?

**Are you available on Friday mornings?
Helpers Required For Fresh Fruit Fridays**

We are looking for somebody to help out on Fresh Fruit Fridays between 9 - 10am, even if you only have half an hour to spare that would be terrific! Toddlers Welcome. See Kirstin Willey for more information (Mother of Jasmine - 56M, Jett - 34V and Jade - P1K)

Wallington Primary School Concert



Thursday 7pm—9:30pm 20th SEPTEMBER 2012
Portarlington Park Hall

Library

Next week in the library are grades P-1. Please remember your book returns and your library bag.

Lisa Hunter and Jill Murray



COMMUNITY NOTICES

clearwater
property care

CLEANINGSERVICES - Quality Domestic Cleaning

FULLY INSURED, NO JOB TOO SMALL & QUALITY GUARANTEED. CLEARWATER PROPERTY CARE IS A NOT FOR PROFIT SOCIAL ENTERPRISE BUILT ON A COMMITMENT TO INCREASE WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION FOR PEOPLE OF ALL ABILITIES.

MAKE YOUR CLEANING BUDGET CONTRIBUTE TO A MORE INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY



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Wanted:

**Netball Teams for Wednesday
Spring Competition
commencing September 12th 2012.**

**Netta, Junior Mixed, Senior Mixed and Senior
Ladies. To enter teams please phone Glenda
5251 3742 or Noelene 5250 3856, all games
played at Drysdale Recreation Reserve,**