

WALLINGTON P.S. NEWSLETTER

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DIARY DATES



Wednesday 15th May	School Council Meeting
Saturday 18th May	Working Bee - 8:30am—11:00am
Wed 22nd – Thus 23rd May	3/4 Camp
Wednesday 22nd May	Open Day for 2014 Preps
Thursday 30th May	Hot Lunch
Wednesday 19th May	School Council Meeting
Thursday 20th June	3 Way Interviews
Friday 28th June	Last Day of Term 2 - 2.30pm Dismissal

PRINCIPAL NEWS

I hope all the mums had a lovely day last Sunday and enjoyed the gifts from the Mother's Day Stall. It has certainly been a busy few weeks. The NAPLAN testing has gone well and this is a credit to staff and students.

3 Way Interview.

This will be happening on the 20th of June. Notes will go home shortly to allow families to book a time for this interview. This is a good opportunity for Teacher, Parent, and Student to come together to celebrate the success and map out the direction for future learning. This will be a pupil free Day

Report Writing

Teachers are in the midst of testing and writing reports. Reports will be finalized and sent home prior to the 3 way interviews.

Department of Early Childhood and Development Website

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au>

This is the department's website that includes a lot of information about what is happening in schools.

Cybersmart

On Tuesday we had Clarisa from the Australian Media and Communication Authority come and speak to the students, teachers and parents about cyber smart. It was quite an eye opener. With the students she talked about:

- Not putting personal information on to the web

- Beware of sites that pop up and tell you to enter your information to claim a prize
- Have strong passwords that contain capital letters, small letters, numbers, and a symbol. (do not tell anyone other than mum or Dad what your password is)
- If you come across anything inappropriate tell a trusted adult
- If you receive inappropriate messages or emails print them out and tell a trusted adult.

As parents we need to be aware of what our children are up to on the internet, talk about the dangers, and what to do if something occurs.

For more information

<http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/> there is a lot of information and resources available on the website

Grade 3/4Camp

Next week the Grade 3 and 4 are off to Burnside camp in Anglesea. Mrs Lennon and Miss Jones have put together an action packed program. We look forward to hearing about all their experiences

Prep 2014 Open Day

Next week we will be having our open day for next year's preps to come and tour the school. This will be on Wednesday 22 of May at 9:30am. The student leaders will be escorting the parents around the school.

Parents & Friends Dinner

Parents & Friends Dinner – May 23rd, 7pm onwards at The Dunes – a great chance to meet up with other parents outside of busy school drop-off pick-up times. If you'd like to come along to dinner, please RSVP to the office or to one of the Parents & Friends members.

We will have our May Parents and Friends meeting at 6pm prior to the dinner. We are endeavouring to mix up our meeting days/times so as to enable as many as possible to attend at least one meeting during the year – all are welcome to attend this meeting but please don't be discouraged from attending the dinner at 7pm if you are unable to make it to the meeting. We hope to see you there!!



SCHOOL NEWS

Last Weeks

SUPER STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

12B Brislane	TESS E For reading with great expression when acting as the Mean Old Troll in the play, The Three Billy Goats Gruff.
12V Vaught	BOHDI H For a terrific effort with his spelling, hand writing and working hard to complete set tasks.
34J Jones	CHARLOTTE L For displaying great responsibility and leadership skills this week.
34L Lennon	MERIDIEN V For displaying great responsibility and leadership skills.
6M Marino	LUCY M For her excellent poster on 'The Eye' - fabulous information, well edited and beautifully presented. A top job Lucy!!
Wallington Primary School	THE GEELONG COLLEGE CHALLENGE TEAM For working well as a team throughout all challenges and being excellent representatives for our school. Well done Claire, Julian, Amy and Ross!

Lost Property: There are numerous items in the lost property, including a lot of uniform items without name tags, so if you have lost something please come and have a look in the lost property boxes out the front of Mr McLarens Office.



Don't forget the term 2 Working Bee is on this Saturday! - 18th of May, 8:30 till 11:00am

We will need equipment of digging, pruning, lopping trees, rakes for spreading sand and mulch, fencing tools and sanding tools. There is also some bobcat work to be done, if you can help please contact Mr Vaught.

Newsletters Via Email

It is easier and better than ever to get the school newsletter online. *Did you know....*

1 ream of paper = 6% of a tree and 5.4kg of CO2 in the atmosphere.

3 sheets of A4 paper = 1 litre of water

Think Before You Print

It's time we considered our environment before printing off the newsletter. Receiving your newsletters As we are a Waste Wise school this will be your contribution to assisting our environment. This is also an excellent way to insure you actually receive the newsletter weekly and it is not at the bottom of a school bag.

It's simple all you have to do is open the web site

<http://www.wallington-ps.vic.edu.au/>

Click on the News Tab - Newsletters - then follow the prompts

Book Buddies Cambodia

This is a program to give books to children in Cambodia. This precious gift is a huge boost to the self-esteem and confidence of children who own very little. The Wallington community is invited to donate any unwanted picture-story books to this cause. Deposit them in the Art Room at any time. Also, if anyone is travelling to Cambodia and could assist with delivery - please see Miss Mac.

Thank you for your support.

You can **improve** lives and **provide** opportunities for the rural poor in **Cambodia**.



Wallington Primary School hopes all our Mothers had a wonderful Mother's Day last Sunday!



District Cross Country

Last Thursday 39 of our Year 4, 5 and 6's competed at the Peninsula District Cross Country at Barwon Heads. All of our students ran well and gave it their all! We'd like to congratulate **Hannah Dunstan (12/13 Girls) and Rohan Lock (11 Boys) who both won their 3km races in style and also Lucy McEvoy (2nd 12/13 Girls), Ben Townson (3rd 12/13 Boys) and Charli Dunstan (3rd 9/10 Girls) for their top three finishes.**

The top five placegetters move on to the Divisional Cross Country which will be held on Tuesday May 28th at Eastern Gardens. So along with the above children, **Caitlin Harris, Luke Lawrence and Zoe Sinclair** will be representing Wallington and the Peninsula District at the Divisional Cross Country. Those competitors received an information sheet today.

I'd also like to thank all our wonderful parents who helped 'man' the course again this year. Without the Wallington volunteers the event would not go ahead, no wonder we have such great kids - their parents are such good role models.

Good luck to all competitors at the next level.

Keep training!

Jennie Marino

COMMUNITY NOTICES

St Joseph's College Parents and Friends Movie Night!

See the Great Gatsby on Opening Night!

When: Thursday 30th May at 6.15pm

Where: Reading Cinemas, Warrnambool

Cost: \$15 per ticket

Tickets can be brought directly from St Joseph's College or by emailing Natasha Solczaniuk Natshas@sjc.edu.au or calling 5226 8122

All tickets must be paid prior to the night

For more information see Penny (Kieran 34J)

0407 891 599 or Tracy (Sophia 34L) 0438 845 696



Geelong High School Open Night

Monday 20th May 2013 - 6.45pm

On Campus in the C.A Love Hall

For More information call 5225 4100

Newcomb Secondary College

Information Night

9pm Tuesday 21st May - In the College, Cliff Watkins Hall

See the College at work: Tours will be offered every Tuesday in May commencing at 9.15am

For more information: Tel:5245 1400 or

newcomb.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au



Bellarine Secondary College Information Evening

Thursday 23rd May 2013

Information Sessions: 7.00pm & 8.00pm

Tours: From 6.30pm—8.00pm

Please contact the General Office on 5251 9000 if you would like a tour of the Ocean Grove Campus during the school day.



Oberon High School

GRADE 6 INFORMATION EVENING

An invitation is extended to Grade 6 and Grade 5 parents and students to attend our **INFORMATION EVENING - MONDAY 20 MAY**

TOURS between 5.00 pm - 7.00 pm **INFORMATION SESSION** 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm

If you are unable to attend please contact Scott McDonald or Liz Kelly on 52 4344 or email us at oberon.hs@edumail.vic.gov.au to arrange an alternate time to visit our school.