

# WALLINGTON P.S. NEWSLETTER

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## DIARY DATES



Tues 3rd September	Zoo - Whole School Excursion
Wed 4th September	Landy Field
Mon 9th September	Indonesian Incursion
Mon 9th - Fri 13th Sept	Book Week & Book Fair
Thurs 12th September	Hot Lunch!
Fri 13th September	Book Parade!
Fri 13th September	Working Bee - 3.45pm onwards
Wed 18th September	School Council Meeting
Friday 20th September	Last Day of Term 3
Mon 7th October	First Day Back of Term 4

## PRINCIPAL NEWS

### Book Week/Book Fair

Information about our school activities in relation to Book Week/Book Fair will be found elsewhere in this newsletter. I would like to take this opportunity to reinforce the important link between school and home and how this partnership plays a key role in helping your child succeed at school.

Strong links between families and schools helps to build and develop positive outcomes for students. Literacy and Numeracy skills are important building blocks for our children and with our upcoming Book Week and Book Fair I would like to share some ideas on how to help your child read and write at home. These ideas can be found on the DEECD website at the following link <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/school/parents/primary/201literacymathstips2011.pdf>

### Prep - 2

Reading together:

- Discuss pictures in a book and encourage your child to talk about the books
- Re-read your child's favourite books and stories
- Encourage your child to select the books, magazines they would like to read.
- When your child reads to you allow time for working out the words and ask questions to see if he/she understands what they have read.

### Grade3-6

- Share a genuine interest in what your child is reading
- Let them see you read and tell them why you are reading that book, magazine etc
- Encourage your child to develop their own library of books
- Ask questions: How do you think the character was feeling? How could you change the ending to the story? What do you think is the main idea of the story?

### CAR PARK

The pot holes at the school car park entry have now been covered in which makes for a smoother entry. Thanks to the Mc Evoy and Town-

send families who both volunteered their time to complete this job.

### Nationally Consistent Data Collection on School Students with Disability

Our school has been selected to participate in the 2013 Nationally Consistent Data Collection on School Students with Disability (Data Collection). This national Data Collection is taking place in schools across Australia and will provide information about the number of students with disability in schools, where they are located and the adjustments they receive.

The information provided by this new data collection will enable all Australian governments to better target support and resources. This will assist students with disability in government and non-government schools across Australia to complete school and go on to further education or find employment.

If your child is eligible to be included in the Data Collection, you will be sent a Privacy Information and Consent Form in the next few weeks. Inclusion in the Data Collection is voluntary. If you wish your child to be included in the Data Collection, you can complete the Privacy Information and Consent Form and return to the school.

If you do not receive a Privacy Information and Consent Form and believe your child has a disability and should be considered for inclusion in the Data Collection, please contact the Principal.

For further information about the Data Collection, please contact the Principal or visit Department of Education and Early Childhood Development website

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/health/Pages/datacollection.aspx>



## ATTENTION PARENTS:

Some of you were notified that your Lions Club Raffle Booklets had still not be returned to the office, if this was you please hand your booklets of sold and/or unsold tickets to the office ASAP. The Lions Club Community Raffle is registered and it is a legal requirement to have all booklets accounted for. Please also inform the office if you have lost your booklet so it can be marked down as lost.



Thank you for your co-operation.

## SCHOOL NEWS



### Last Weeks SUPER STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS



<b>PK King</b>	LUCAS W-B For working hard with all his school work last week, especially his writing. ASTA K For great reading of the book 'When the King Rides By'.
<b>12V Hudson</b>	RANI M For being a caring class member. INDIA R-B For completing a terrific Think Board on subtraction. GRACE K For a thoughtful Book Response on 'Gordan's Biscuit'. JACOB L For always trying his hardest with his written presentation.
<b>5D Duckett</b>	BRAD B For a great report about the Tasmanian Devil. You have been working hard and have improved your writing. Well Done!
<b>6M Marino</b>	HANNAH D For her well researched and beautifully presented assignment on the Giant Panda.

**Note to Parents:** Family financial statements for outstanding accounts have been sent out this week. Please make payment at the office as soon as possible. If you have any questions about your account, please contact the office. Thank you.

## Book Week!

Monday 9th till Friday 13th September.

This year we are celebrating Book Week with the Book Fair. The theme is "**Story Laboratory - reading gives you super powers!**" The Book Fair will be on each night of Book Week in the Library. More information will follow closer to the date. A parade will be held at 9.15am on the Friday of Book Week. The children can dress up as a favourite book character, a theme character or dress up as a stuffed toy/teddy bear. All parents are welcomed to watch the Book Parade which will be instead of assembly that week.



### Term 3 Working Bee

The Term 3 Working Bee will be held Friday the 13th September at 3:45pm - onwards. Can helpers please bring their own wheel barrow, tools, etc.



### Rostered Families for the Term 3 Working Bee

Walker-Beasley	Kapitelli	McKenzie
Marshall	Willey	Symonds
Clancy	Bluml	Harris (Caitlin)
McEvoy	Hose	Hallifax-Laspada
Macdonald	Wrench	Papalia
Frigo	Newland	Jennings (Jacob)
Bent	Watson	Williams (Charli)
McAloon	Harris	Dyson
Herbert	Morrissy	Anthony
Harris	Cowley	Mitchell
McGinnes	Koehler	Lee
Withington	Bouma	

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### Connectedness to Nature and Subjective Wellbeing: A Family Perspective

We are interested in how it is that parents and their children connect with nature, or not, and what impact this has on their wellbeing. We desperately need participants for this survey! This research is being conducted by Josh Armistead (B.AppSci) as part of an honours thesis at RMIT University under the supervision of A.Prof Andrew Francis. This survey is targeted at parents with a child between 8 - 16 but can also be filled in by anyone over 18 who has no children (as the research also requires a control group). If you would like to find out more, please visit our facebook page, or go straight to the survey. The facebook page is [www.facebook.com/ConnectednessToNatureAndWellbeingSurvey](http://www.facebook.com/ConnectednessToNatureAndWellbeingSurvey)  
The direct link to online survey is [https://rmit.asia.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV\\_bCmFec8bb9d0RyI](https://rmit.asia.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_bCmFec8bb9d0RyI)



### VICSWIM

**Enrol now for summer fun!** Learn how to swim and stay safe in and around the water!  
For all dates, venues & times go to [www.vicswimin.com.au](http://www.vicswimin.com.au) & enrol online now, its easy!  
For assistance call ARV 9271 3800  
Flyers on the table out the front of Mr Wilson's office.



student exchange  
AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

### EXPERIENCE A NEW CULTURE, MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND LEARN A NEW LANGUAGE AT HOME

In January 2014 students from over 20 countries around the world, will be arriving in Australia to study at local high schools for 2- 10 months. Opportunities exist for families to act as a host family, in a volunteer capacity. Hosting can be on a temporary, short or long term basis. Host families help provide international students with the chance to study and experience life in Australia. This is a great way to learn about another country and culture, establish a lifelong link to a family in another country and contribute to international goodwill. If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, contact us today.

To hear more about this wonderful opportunity or our student exchange programs out of Australia Call Student Exchange Australia on 1300 135 331 or visit [www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student](http://www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student)

Our lady Star Of The Sea PFA Presents

# HARAMBEE MUZIK FESTIVAL

AN EVENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

WHERE: STAR OF THE SEA PRIMARY SCHOOL  
JOHN DORY DRIVE OCEAN GROVE

COST: \$40.00 PER TICKET  
CHILDREN ACCOMPANIED BY PARENT ARE FREE

PURCHASE TICKETS FROM THE SCHOOL  
5255 4308

GENERAL ENQUIRIES:  
PAUL SMITH SCHANDELLE TEAGUE  
0428 525 550 0430 472 182

Featuring

THE VIOLET IVY'S  
THE MONGOLIAN FISHMONGERS  
THE KITE MACHINE  
THE BAKER BOYS BAND  
THE HIP CATS

BYO PICNIC HAMPER & CHAIR  
BBQ, ICE CREAMS, SOFT DRINK ETC AVAILABLE

GATE OPENS AT 11.00AM

[WWW.STAROCEANGROVE.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU/](http://WWW.STAROCEANGROVE.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU/)

Saturday  
October 19th  
12-6pm