

WALLINGTON P.S. NEWSLETTER

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DIARY DATES



Fri 4th November	Working Bee 3:30 - Onwards
Wed 9th November	Hot Lunch!
Thurs 10th November	Prep Orientation, 2:30 - 3:30pm
Fri 11th November	Parents Social Night "In Style"
Sat 12th - Sun 13th November	Relay For Life - Collendina Reserve
Wed 16th November	Strawberry Fair Meeting
Thurs 17th November	Prep Orientation, 9.30 - 11am
Thurs 17th November	Second Hand Uniform Sale
Wed 23rd November	Blue Light Disco for Year 6
Thurs 24th November	Prep Orientation, 12.30 - 3pm
Mon 28th - Fri 9th November	Prep - 3 Swimming (no swimming on Wednesday of both weeks)
Wed 30th November	Strawberry Fair Meeting
Wed 14th December	Hot Lunch!
Wed 14th December	Family Picnic
Tues 20th December	Grade 6 Graduation
Wed 21st December	Adventure Park Grade 5/6
Thurs 22nd December	Last Day of Term. 2.30 Finish

MESSAGES FROM MR. MCLAREN

Sunsmart

From September, Victoria's UV levels are on the rise, so it's time to dust off the sun protection gear and Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek, Slide whenever you are outside. Check the SunSmart UV Alert at sunsmart.com.au or in the weather section of the newspaper to find out the daily UV levels.

I would like to thank everyone for supporting our sunsmart policy.

Working Bee

Just a reminder that there will be a working bee at school tomorrow (Friday) from 3:30pm onwards. If you can help out in anyway please come along. The more people we have the more jobs we get done. Please remember to sign in at the beginning of the working bee.

Tips for maths at home

Math can be a difficult subject for many students. Most children lose interest in mathematics, simply because they think it's too hard. Parents and teachers may find it difficult to motivate their students to complete their math assignments. Here are some suggestions to help your students in solving their math problems and overcome their fears:

Encourage Them!

You can improve your children's learning ability by providing them a positive environment. Many teachers often forget to encourage the efforts of their students. Children should be appreciated when they correctly solve their math problems. Teachers should mark their assignments, leniently. They are advised to keep their tone and attitude positive, since children can easily pick up signs of negativity.

Demonstrate the use of Math

Parents can also use real life examples to teach math to their children. School going children can learn a lot from every day examples. Simply ask them to calculate the money you have to pay for tickets, next time you go out to the movies. Try multiplying the number of cars of two different colors.

Real Life Math

Explain to your children how they can use math to solve their problems. They should understand that math is not about using simple arithmetic skills like addition and subtraction; it is much more than that. Children can use their mathematics skills to solve every day problems. They can find out how many pieces of pizza you need to cut so that it can be shared in your family. Just go beyond the daily assignments and let your children explore the real world problems to improve their mathematics. This will show them the true value of math in their lives.

Get them to talk!

Encourage your kids to talk. Tell your child to solve their math problems by talking about the correct steps. This will allow you to monitor what he or she is thinking. You can detect the problem areas while your child is talking his way through the steps.

Everybody loves money

You should teach your children money skills. Your kids can use fractions and percentages to find out how much savings they have made on a particular purchase. For example if your children went to a movie that costs \$30 and they have saved \$10, so in terms of fractions they have saved $\frac{1}{3}$ of the amount or 33%

Telling Time

Teach your children how to tell the accurate time. Use digital and analog clocks for this purpose. You can talk with them about, seconds, minutes, hours and days.

Article Source: <http://EzineArticles.com/1489406>

Strawberry Fair News

WANTED!!!!

A Handyperson to build a ticket box for the rides. Materials etc will be paid for. Also, anyone who is interested in making Jam for the fair.

Ingredients etc supplied

Stall Co coordinators are also needed for the following stalls:

Devonshire Tea

Pavs

Produce

Pancakes

Gourmet Foods

BBQ

Tickets

Gate

Fairy Floss

Snow Cones

Drinks

Cake Stall

If you can help out please let Leigh know.

Leigh McLaren
Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Thursday 3rd November 2011

PK King	HAMISH R For a great week at school. He completed most tasks and sat on the floor really well. OISIN H For learning all his M100W words. Fantastic Oisin!
12H Henderson	TOM B For writing a fantastic structured limerick! Well done Tom!
34V Vaught	LIESEL G For her fantastic and informative comments about Tsunamis, written on the Ultratet.
34M Murray	AMY H-L For using a variety of strategies to help her solve subtraction problems in maths.
5D Duckett	CASSIE U For showing great confidence in class when sharing her ideas and knowledge during class discussions. Well done! JAI P For working really well in numeracy and having a 'you can do it' attitude.
6M Marino	EMILY M For giving up her lunchtime to work on the school magazine. Thank you Emily! GEMMA S For giving up her lunch time to work on the school magazine. Great job Gemma!
Library Browne	OLIVIA MC For demonstrating fantastic research skills in library.

Uniform Sale!

Coastal Uniforms is having a sale on Wallington Primary School Polo short and long Sleeve shirts, only \$10! So get in quick!

WORKING BEE TOMORROW!

3.30PM Friday November 4th

A school Working Bee will be held Friday 4th at 3.30pm. We will provide a BBQ for the kids and of course grown ups at about 5.30. This is our final Working Bee for 2011 and is important as we approach fire season.

Jobs will include:

- * Cleaning drains and add sand to stop stagnate water
- * Trim hedges in garden area north fence
- * General clean up, sweeping netball courts etc..
- * General preparation to limit fire hazards (sticks..)
- * Clean walls of spider webs including sport shed
- * Rake Mulch
- * Clean out Garden Shed
- * Trim trees at school entry
- * Weed outside art room
- * Clean gutters on sheds

Environment Committee

All helpers please sign in at school entry.



LIBRARY

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

Bellarine Relay For Life

The inaugural Bellarine Relay For Life is only weeks away. It is to be held on the 12th and 13th of November at the Colendina Reserve. There is still time to register with a local team or even form your own team! Donations can be made via the website www.relayforlife.or.au also, any queries phone Sally Peter 5254 1180



LADIES NIGHT!

Come along and celebrate the spring racing carnival on Friday, 11th November at 7.30 pm in the hall with a Ladies Night. Dress up in your frilly frock, hat or fascinator and enjoy a night out with the girls. BYO drinks.



ATTENTION PARENTS RECEIVING EMA

SSB applications for eligible Year 7 students need to be in to the school your child is attending in 2012 by 15th December. Bellarine Secondary College students will receive the applications in the enrolment packs in November or alternatively let the parents of our students know.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Parents & Friends Second Hand Book and Uniform Sale: Bellarine Secondary College

Wednesday 7th December, 2011
Rooms C1, C2, C3 and C4
Drysedale Campus 4.30pm – 8.00pm
Peninsula Drive Drysdale 3222



Please make an effort to attend as there is no guarantee that there will be second hand books or uniforms available at the commencement of Term 1, 2012.

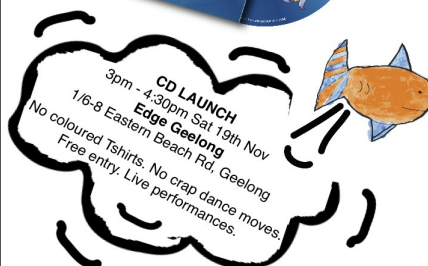


Are you too big for The Wiggles? Have you well and truly outgrown Hi-5? Sick of references to vacations, cookies and the mailman? Well, whatem 2 is for you! Real Australian musicians have written and recorded songs especially for real Aussie school kids - songs that you'll love and that your parents will love too (but don't tell them or you'll never get your CD back!).



Featuring:

- Chris Wilson
- Sarah Carroll
- Angie Hilton
- Lash78
- Soul Sister Swing
- hausfrau
- Geelong Youth Choir
- Sophia Katos
- Paul Rettke
- Belinda McArdle
- Sue Hindle
- and more...



CD LAUNCH
3pm - 4.30pm Sat 19th Nov
Edge Geelong
1/6-8 Eastern Beach Rd, Geelong
No coloured T-shirts. No crap dance moves.
Free entry. Live performances.

BLUEBIRD FOUNDATION INC. project
making quality arts programs accessible to all
www.bluebirdfoundationinc.org.au



Southern Cross Cultural Exchange

Danish student named Jesper who is enrolled at Bellarine College is looking for a host family. Jesper is doing really well, has lots of friends, but his host family only committed to host him for half his program. This means he is looking for a host family for him from early December through the end of April 2012, when his program finishes.

If you are interested in getting more information about Jesper, or any of the other nationalities we bring to Australia, please contact Claire Cummins at 1800 500 501 or projects@scce.com.au.

Would \$500 assist you with education costs?

You could receive up to \$500 to help pay for educational costs including text books, computers, excursions and swimming lessons. Saver Plus is delivered by Bethany Community Support in your local area and is looking for new participants.

You may be eligible if you or your partner:

- ☐ have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ☐ are at least 18 years old
- ☐ have some regular income from work
- ☐ have a child at school, or attend accredited vocational training yourself



To find out more contact Amanda Vernon,
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