

# WALLINGTON P.S. NEWSLETTER

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## Principal's News

### Stop Work

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD is currently involved in enterprise bargaining with the Australian Education Union (AEU) in relation to its log of claims covering members of the Principal, Teaching, Educational Support and Executive classes.

I wish to advise you that the following staff have indicated to me their intention to stop-work on Thursday **14th February 2013**.

- Mrs Duckett 5D
- Miss Jones 3/4J
- Mrs King Prep
- Mr Vaught 1/2V
- Mrs Lennon 2L
- Mr McLaren Principal
- Miss Brislane 1/2B
- Mrs Murray Reading Recovery /EMU
- Mrs Marino 6M

The above classes will not be operating on this day. Parents are asked to make alternative arrangements. Refer to information on the notice board

### Strawberry Fair

The Strawberry Fair is on Sunday the 3rd March. It is expected that all families help out to ensure the success of the day.

We still have places to fill on the roster in the areas of Car Parking and Devonshire Tea. If you haven't put your name down can you please do so this week. We require all families to help in some way. This is the school's major fundraiser for the year.

The Roster is on the window of my office.

**Lucky Bags**—There are extra bags at the office. The lucky bags can be filled with little knick knacks, lollies (in sealed wrappers). They sell for \$3.00. For the new families these bags are sold at the fair. The more bags we get the more profit we make. Completed bags can be left at the office.

### Auction

Pam Halifax is currently looking for donations for the Auction and spinning wheel from businesses. If you have a contact or you have a business that would be willing to donate items we would welcome any donations. We are trying not to double up on donors therefore, please let Pam Halifax or the office know which business you have made contact with. A sponsorship letter for donations is available at the office. Also, if you have any unwanted Christmas/birthday pressies at the back of your cupboard and still in packaging it would be gratefully received.

### Student Accident Insurance.

Schools are reminded that the Department does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs.

Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare or private health insurance.

### Parents Club

The first meeting of the Parents Club will be on Thursday 22nd February at 9:00 in the Hall. Any one is welcome to attend. The parents club organise social functions for the students and the staff. It is a great way to be involved in the school

**Parent Teacher interviews** will be held on Thursday 22nd Feb from 1:30-4:30pm. Notes for this will go home on Friday> This is an information sharing session and



### DIARY DATES

Friday 8th Feb	Resources Meeting 8:30am
Tues 12th Feb	Strawberry Fair Meeting 7:00pm
Thursday 14th February	Industrial Action—Full day stop work
Monday 18th February	Nominations for School Council close
Tuesday 19th February	Strawberry Fair Meeting 7:00pm
Wednesday 20th February	School Council Meeting 3:45pm
Thursday 21 Feb	Parent/Teacher Interviews Family get together Picnic Parents Club - 9:00am
Sat 23rd Feb	Strawberry Fair Working Bee 8:00am
Tuesday 26th Feb	Strawberry Fair Meeting 7:00pm

is not compulsory. If you are unable to make the interview please feel free to make an appointment with your child's teacher at a more appropriate time. Many people have also had sharing conversations already with the teachers and may not feel it necessary to meet again.

A note with times will be sent home on Friday.



## EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE 2013

Forms due by **Tuesday 26th February**

The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided to assist eligible

families with the costs associated with the education of their children.

To be eligible for the EMA:

1. Your child must be under the age of sixteen; and
2. Your child must be enrolled at a primary or secondary Government or registered school in Victoria on, 28 February 2013 for the first instalment and 2 August 2013 for the second instalment; and
3. You must on 29 January 2013 for the first instalment and 15 July 2013, for the second instalment:
  - be a parent or legal guardian of the student; and
  - be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder or
  - be a temporary foster parent.
4. Submit your application to the school by the due date:
  - 28 February 2013 for the first instalment\*
  - 2 August 2013 for the second instalment.

\* Please note: you only need to make a second application in August if your child changes schools between March and August.

The Pension Concession Card (PCC) or Health Care Card (HCC) is subject to electronic confirmation with Centrelink to verify that the cardholder is receiving a benefit.

## EXTRA Curricular Activities

### Chess

**Where:** Wallington Primary School - Library

**When:** Thursday's 2.35pm - 3.25pm  
7<sup>th</sup> Feb – 28<sup>th</sup> Mar 2013

### Cost:

**12% discount** for **Cash** Payments -  
**\$65 Cash** or **\$75 Cheque** - per child.

### Benefits:

Strategic thinking, improved self esteem, attention span in class, lateral thinking, team work, analytical skills.

**Payment** (per child) of **\$65 cash** or **\$75** Cheques made payable to "Hooton Consulting Pty Ltd"

Enrolment forms available at the office  
Vacancies exist

### Active After School Community Program.

This is an active sports initiative from the Australian Sports Commission. It is held at the school and goes for an



**New exciting dance school for fun and performance!**  
**Opening in Drysdale, Ocean Grove and Pt. Lonsdale**

**Great for beginners and experienced dancers.**  
**Classes 3 years and over**

**Classical ballet \* Hip hop \* Jazz \* Funk**  
**Lyrical \* Contemporary \* Musical theatre**

**For more information contact**

**Suzanna Bowen ADV ADI**  
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hour (3:45—4:45) for 7 Mondays. The program starts on the 11th Feb and the sport is Basketball. There is no cost to participation and the program is open to all students.

### Drumming

Hand drumming will continue this year giving student a chance to try some hand drums and rhythms from around the world that they may not get through traditional music classes. Classes will start Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> and continue for 6 weeks until Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> of March. The classes will be capped at 10 students each at a cost of \$40 for the 6 weeks.

Forms available at the office or online on the school's website **Scott McCutcheon**

1st / 2nd Ocean Grove Scout Group  
Cubs meet  
Tuesday 7.00 pm  
Scouts meet Wednesday 7.00pm  
Scout Hall, The Avenue,  
Ocean Grove  
Cubs meet Tuesday 7.00 pm  
Enquiries: 0422 700 951



## Icy Poles

Icy Poles are available for purchase at the start of each lunchtime. The cost range from 30c—\$1.00

Icy poles are sold outside Grade 6M's classroom at the front of the school.

There are a few rules.:

Only one icy pole per person.

Sibling may purchase addition icy-poles for their brother or sister.

Due to people's allergies children can not buy for a 'friend'.

This is part of the Grade Six enterprise education



## Meagan Burch Music Tuition

### Music Lessons -

Piano / keyboard. Guitar (acoustic, electric, bass) Singing & Drums\*  
(\*drums: not available in all schools)

### During &/or After School Hours at School

### We invite your child to trial music lessons

- 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
- Individual lessons to cater to each child's particular learning needs, rate and level
- Classes available for Prep—adult, beginners to advanced.
- A trusted provider of music lessons to schools in Geelong, Surfcoast & Peninsula for over 25 years.

## ***Ocean Grove Calisthenics College First class is FREE to try in February!***

- Tinies 3-7y Sat. 9am • Subbies 8-9y Mon. 4pm • Juniors 10-12y Sat. 11am
- Inters 13-16y Thur. 6pm • Seniors >16y Tue. 6.30pm

**123 The Avenue, Ocean Grove Recreation Hall**