

# WALLINGTON P.S. NEWSLETTER

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## DIARY DATES



Wed 19th Mar	School Council & Annual General Meeting
Fri 21st Mar	Yr 2-6 Hockey Clinics
Fri 28th Mar	Yr 5/6s Soccer Fun Day
Thur 31st Mar	Whole School Excursion Sovereign Hill
Wed 2nd Apr	Primary School Golf Clinics
Mon 24th Mar	Parents and Friends AGM 9am (Hall)

## PRINCIPAL NEWS

### School Council

This afternoon sees the first meeting of our 2014 School Council. At this first meeting, School Council will elect office bearers for 2014. This meeting normally constitutes the School Council Annual General Meeting where the School Annual Report for the preceding year is presented. The DEECD has postponed this AGM and subsequently our school council's AGM will be conducted in May this year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our outgoing school councillors for their contribution to the school over the past years.

### School Leadership

Last Friday our students in grade 5 and 6 conducted a whole school themed Football Colours Day. The day was organised to support the knowledge that these students learnt when they attended a Primary School Leadership day earlier this month in Melbourne.

It was pleasing to see our school leaders take ownership of the day and they all worked diligently and cooperatively to run the day events. The day was a great success and the monies raised will be used to continue the development of our school leadership programs.

### One Team, One Goal – Celebrating Diversity

At Wallington Primary School we always encourage students to be respectful and supportive of each other.

We are excited to be participating in a new AFL and Victorian Government competition using football as a way to celebrate multiculturalism and diversity.

In the competition – *One Team, One Goal – Celebrating Diversity* – our school can win a \$5000 grant, a football clinic with an AFL footballer, tickets to an AFL match during Multicultural Round and limited edition AFL footballs.

To enter, students need to design a poster about multiculturalism, teamwork and diversity that will be printed in the Football Record. This is a wonderful opportunity to talk to your children about diversity and to support them to develop a poster.

The competition website has more information about how to enter: [www.education.vic.gov.au/oneteam](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/oneteam).



## SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NOTICES

### Parents and Friends AGM Meeting Monday, March 24<sup>th</sup> 9am

The Parents and Friends' Annual General Meeting is to be held on Monday morning, March 24<sup>th</sup> to be held in the school hall. All are welcome to stay after drop-off for a cuppa and discuss some of the events and activities that we have planned for the children and the school community this year.

**There are a number of vacancies on the Executive that need to be filled please consider whether you be able to fill one of these roles! Plenty of support will be provided!!**

For those new to the school, the P&F is not a fundraising group but aims to foster the sense of community at the school and to provide social, fun activities for the children and their families (eg in 2013 activities included the mothers/fathers day stalls, students disco, hot chocolate day, social night out, second-hand uniform stall, the 'Tour de Bellarine' – a family bike ride, family picnics ... ). Meetings are held monthly and, although we do have an Executive, they are fairly informal – everyone is welcome to come along and on a casual basis if they aren't able to commit monthly. Parents with littlies are welcome to bring them along.

If you are unable to attend but would like to be kept in the loop and receive minutes from the meetings, please email [tracey@pondaestate.com.au](mailto:tracey@pondaestate.com.au)

### Come and cheer on your local fire fighters!

Not long now before Geelong welcomes the junior and senior teams for the Rural State Championships on 5 & 6 April.

The CFA VFVB Rural Junior and Senior Championships are held on the same weekend and are a free event for all. More than 40 teams compete in different fire fighting skills events from hosing a target, climbing sky high ladders to rolling hoses while running.

Slightly more laid back and being held on grass, the event is always the last in the Championship calendar.

'CFA on display' will be there once again; showcasing new projects, offering free health checks and providing recruitment information, activities and fire safety messages.

There will be entertainment for the whole family with the high energy interactive captain koala show or you could join our basketball competition to win some wonderful prizes.

The impressive Mobile Education Units and various other CFA trucks will also be on display over the weekend.

Tell your friends and come along to cheer on your local fire-fighters!



Craig Wilson  
Acting Principal

**EGGS FOR SALE**  
at the office.

From our very own Wallington chooks! \$5 doz

Footy Colours Fun Day

Thank you to everyone who dressed up on the day. We hope everyone had a wonderful day and enjoyed the activities. Here are some comments from the day:

"In Harvey's game I kicked a goal from the hard area. I liked Footy Colours Fun Day!" **Isobel P/1K**

"I think Joe's game was really good and easy. I like how you got to learn how to handball and kick through goals." **Genevieve 3S**

"Max T's game was pretty good. I liked it because it was easy." **Chloe 4J**

"Hamish's game was awesome! I liked that you could kick a footy and handpass it too." **Will 2V**

"I really enjoyed the Footy Colours Fun Day. My favourite activity was Rohan's, because you could go around tackling and kicking the ball." **Edan P/1M**

Also a big thankyou to the Morrissy family for your donation of bread and party pies. It really helped us with the hot lunch on the day. We raised just over \$400 to our leadership program.

Thank you!  
**The 5/6 Leadership Team**

**Parent Contributions 2014**

Thank you to the parents who have already made payments for 2014 Student Requisites.

If you haven't yet sent in your parent payments, these are now overdue. Please pay as soon as possible. Payments can be made via BPay (see details in your Parent Statement sent out previously) or at the office via cash, cheque or EFT. Any enquiries can be made at the office.

**Lost & Found**

Black pram cover left from Strawberry Fair. Please claim at the office.

**Geelong Scottish Dance**

Classes on Wednesday nights in Herne Hill—enrolments being taken now. Ph: 52503885.

Bring a friend in Feb/Mar and your first 2 lessons are free.

**Voucher for 4 Free Highland Dancing Lessons valued at \$40. Enquire at Office.**

Wallington Primary School takes no responsibility for and does not endorse the quality or conduct of any activity advertised in the Community Notices section of the newsletter. Customers are required to make their own enquiries and judgements.

# Sportlings

"Where Great Athletes Start"

**COST**

\$40 Per Session

**SESSION TIMES**

SESSION 1 -  
9.30am - 12pm

SESSION 2 -  
12.30pm - 3pm

Primary School KIDS!

School Holiday Sports Clinic!!

**Dates:**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April



**FREE BOTTLE OF WATER**

Please Contact & reserve a spot:  
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**ALL ACCREDITED COACHES**