

WALLINGTON P.S. NEWSLETTER

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Principals News

Stop Work

You will be aware that the Australian Education Union has called a full day stop-work on February 14th (next Thursday). Throughout this campaign staff have supported the AEU action. A note will be sent home tomorrow night outlining which classes will be effected.

School Council Election

Elections for school Council Commences on Monday 11th February

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTION PROCESS AND TIMETABLE 2013

Notice of election and call for nominations Monday 11 February 2013

- Closing date for nominations
Monday 18 February 2013
- Date by which list of candidates and nominators will be posted

Wednesday 20 February 2013

- Date by which ballot papers will be prepared and distributed

On or before Monday 25 February 2013

- Close of ballot Tuesday 5 March 2013

- Vote count 6th March

Declaration of ballot 6th March

- Special council meeting to co-opt Community members
20th March

1st council meeting to elect office bearers

20th March

The following vacancies exist:

3x parent representatives

1 x parent representative (casual vacancy)

2 x DEECD representatives (1 casual vacancy)

Nomination forms available from the office.

For more information go to the

Education department website—

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/governance/Pages/election.aspx>.

Or the school website



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. Parents who have volunteered to co ordinate areas are asked to attend the meeting next Tuesday (7:00 – staffroom) so that we can begin to finalise preparations and begin the ordering phase.

We still have places to fill on the roster in the areas of Car Parking and Nachos

If you are a new family to the school please come along and see what it is about and to see how you can be of assistance.



DIARY DATES

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Tue 5th Feb	Strawberry Fair Meeting 7:00pm
Mon 11th Feb	Active After School Communities commences
Friday 8th Feb	Resources Meeting 8:30am
Tues 12th Feb	Strawberry Fair Meeting 7:00pm
Thursday 14th February	Industrial Action—Full day stop work
Tuesday 19th Feb	Strawberry Fair Meeting 7:00pm
Sat 23rd Feb	Strawberry Fair Working Bee
Tuesday 26th Feb	Strawberry Fair Meeting 7:00pm

Assembly

Our first Assembly will be on Friday at 3:00pm. All parents are welcome to come along. At this assembly we will be presenting the grade 6 with their leadership badges and the Preps will be introduced to the school by their 'Buddy'



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
7th Feb – 28th 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
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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 19th and continue for 6 weeks until Tuesday the 26th of March. The classes will be capped at 10 students each at a cost of \$40 for the 6 weeks.

If you would like your child to take part in these classes please fill out the permission slip below and return it to the office no later than Friday the 15th of February. **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

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Enquiries: 0422 700 951



OUR CHICKENS



Thank you to all the families, and Alan the gardener, who helped feed and water our chickens over the school holidays.

I am pleased to report that both chickens are doing well and are producing eggs

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