

Dear Parents,

The Parent Opinion Survey has now closed. I would like to thank all parents who returned their survey as it helps provide data about the performance of our school. The results should be available early in term 4.

Georgia Goodwin has returned this week to complete the next part of her student teacher practice. Miss Goodwin has joined the Grade 2/3 room and has been welcomed back by many friendly faces.

Bunnings BBQ

I would like to thank the mums and dads who have volunteered to man the BBQ on Sunday at Bunnings. This will be a great opportunity to fundraise in the wider community and also a great way to help out at school. We have thirteen parents who are able to help out which is greatly appreciated.

Trivia Night Update

We have received more auction items in the past week. Businesses that weren't mentioned in last week's newsletter are: Party Cupcake, The Royal Exchange Hotel, Telstra Shop, Gloria Jeans, Dal Mondo, Three Little Birds Café, O'Donnells Café, Red Annex, La Porchetta, Alkays, Norris Hair, Lorraine Lea Linen, The Nut and Lolly Shop, Dan Murphy's, Ishka, Latrobe City Council and Colin Watson Holden.

We have sold a number of tables however we still have tickets available. There have been some great ideas for themes that each table will dress up in and I'm sure it will be a lot of fun. Tickets are \$10 each and you don't have to have a full table to purchase a ticket. We can arrange table groups if required.

Kinder/Prep Transition

Next Wednesday will see the beginning of our transition process for 2014 Prep enrolments. We will have a visit from all children who attend the Traralgon South Kindergarten. The children will complete an activity in the classroom, while parents will be taken on a tour of our school facilities. Further activities have been planned for students who will be attending our school later in the term and into term 4.

Values for Live Workshops - \$7.00 Due Tomorrow

Parents are reminded about the Values for Life workshops are to be held this Friday 16th August. The workshops will focus on developing social

skills in our students to help them create better and longer lasting friendships and also the ability to cope when things don't go their way. The cost of the workshops is \$7 per child and is required to be paid by tomorrow Wednesday 14th August.

Life Ed Van

The Life Ed Van will be visiting in the last week of this term, on the 16th and 17th September. All students will be participating in this program as it focusses on developing healthy lifestyles for kids. Harold the giraffe will be back again and our young students in particular enjoy seeing Harold each year. Costs for the program are \$8.50 per student.

Joel Fraser – Principal

ARTROOM NEWS

Thank you to all the families that brought along ice-cream containers to be used in the art room. We really appreciate your donations and now we have a great supply of them. We no longer need more ice-cream containers, however the plastic 1.25 and 2 litre bottles are still very much in demand.

At the moment grades 4/5 and 5/6 are working on their tiled mosaic pictures and are in the process of grouting them. If you have any grout at home that you no longer need and want to get rid of it, please send it along to the art room where the students can definitely use it! Thank you once again.

~ Yvonne Game ~

PARENTS & FRIENDS REMINDERS

Upcoming events include:

- The Fathers Day Stall which is an exciting activity for the children. If anyone can donate or make items for the stall there will be a box in the school foyer. If you have any great ideas on items to make for Fathers Day please pass them on to the office and if we get enough we will hold a couple of craft days in the Parents and Friends room for anyone who would like to come and help out.
- Footy Day Lunch at the end of term.
- We will also need some parent helpers Saturday 7th September to assist with the Election Day stall at the Hall.

Solar Energy Generation

The reading this week is 19783kwh which means we have generated 161kwh since our last reading.

**YOU CAN DO IT
STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS
For Week Ending 26th July 2013**



Prep	Belle Gissara	For her great efforts with story writing and developments with her handwriting.
1/2	Cooper Fraser	For working hard to get more writing done by himself.
2/3	Zoe Bolton	For her fantastic efforts in descriptive writing.
	Sam Gissara	For his enthusiasm and determination in learning his times tables.
4/5	Max Richmond	For displaying humour and a positive attitude in class.
5/6	Lauren Miller	For her persistence and motivation with her learning expedition.
	Taylor Robinson	For her excellent efforts with improving her times tables.
P.E.	Ella Cheney	For her determination in basketball.
	Jack Carroll	For his determination and team spirit in P.E.
Principal	Emily Grist	For being a happy member of our school and a good friend in the playground.

DATES TO REMEMBER

16 Aug	Fri	Values for Life Workshop - \$7 per student
18 Aug	Sun	Bunnings Fundraiser BBQ
30 Aug	Fri	Fathers Day Stall – 2:00pm
6 Sept	Fri	Trivia Night – 7:00pm
7 Sept	Sat	Parents & Friends Election Day stall
11 Sept	Wed	Bush Dance
16 & 17 Sept	Mon/Tue	Life Ed Van



ResourceSmart AuSSI Vic

Traralgon South Primary has registered to participate in ResourceSmart AuSSI Vic accreditation program whereby sustainability practices will be embedded into the school operations, teaching and learning. We will also encourage community engagement as a whole school commitment to ResourceSmart AuSSI Vic.

Through the modules, we aim to demonstrate continuous improvement against benchmarks set in the areas of planning, biodiversity, energy, waste and water. The program aims to help schools integrate sustainability in planning and strategic process, as well as develop ways to improve resource management. The first module we are working to improve is the waste unit (reducing landfill and waste, increasing recycling and composting/worm farm). Our many practices will be examined, base data collected, guidelines will be implemented and our progress will be monitored.

An important aspect of this program is to have a student led team who will develop strategies, communicate and monitor their effectiveness and lead this initiative. Each class has elected four representatives. We have restricted numbers to twenty at this stage to keep the group size manageable, but we hope to increase the size of the group in the future as required. Ideally we want all students to take on the responsibility of making sustainable changes to everyday school life.

We congratulate these students as they begin their role as Waste Warriors:

Prep: Belle, Jessica P, Patrick T, and Harry
 1/2: Lachy, Savannah, Cooper and Gabby
 2/3: James, Sam, Ruby and Mia
 4/5: Ana, Abbey, Connor and Harrison
 5/6: Emily, Connor, Lauren and Olive

They will meet with Miss Bone and Mrs Phillips for their first meeting this week.

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