



## Trivia Night This Saturday – 23<sup>rd</sup> August – 7:00pm

Excitement is building for the Trivia Night which is being held this Saturday night at the Traralgon South Hall. We have had some terrific prizes donated to us by local businesses and families which I am extremely grateful for. A full list of donors is included with this newsletter, however, some of the excellent prizes on offer are a \$200 voucher at the Amaroo Caravan Park in Cowes, a voucher for 2 adult tickets to the Woodsman Coterie, which includes a three course meal, premium drinks package, tickets, parking and after game refreshments at a Collingwood AFL game during the 2015 season. We also have a couple of \$100 ProRrent vouchers, 2 iPod Nano 16GB, fishing gear, lots and lots of other vouchers from wineries, cafes and beauty salons.

We also have some entertaining games to be played with prizes awarded to the winners. There will also be silent auctions and live auctions available on the night, along with a raffle. All prizes need to be paid in full before they can be collected and can be held at the school until payment is made the following week. We still have some tickets available which can be purchased at the school office or the Traralgon South Kindergarten.

### Solar Energy Generation

The reading this week is 32341kwh which means we have generated 163kwh since the last reading.

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Dear Parents,

### Late Arrivals

There have been a significant number of students arriving to school late each day which is a trend that needs to be addressed. Already this year, we have had 832 instances recorded of students arriving at school after 9:00am, even a couple of minutes late can have a negative effect. This can really impact students in their learning and social development at school. It is good practice to arrive at 8:50am when the bag bell goes to ensure students are ready for learning once the next bell rings at 9:00am. The DEECD information below outlines the importance of full time attendance:

*"Daily school attendance is important for all children and young people to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally. Children and young people who regularly attend school and complete Year 12 or an equivalent qualification have better health outcomes, better employment outcomes, and higher incomes across their lives. It is important that children develop habits of regular attendance at an early age.*

*School participation is important as it maximises life opportunities for children and young people by providing them with education and support networks. School helps people to develop important skills, knowledge and values which set them up for further learning and participation in their community. Conversely, limited school participation is associated with a greater chance of dropping out of school, disruptive and delinquent behaviour and may lead to a cycle of rebellion against authority. "*

### Chocolate Drive Money Due In

Parents are reminded that the money for our chocolate drive is due back now. Please return any leftover chocolates and money to school as soon as possible please. Thank you to those parents who have already returned their money and also to those who have taken extra boxes. Once we get all of the boxes back, we will be able to announce the amount of funds raised. I would like to thank all of our families who were able to participate in this fundraising effort.

### Dunalley Primary School Visit

Our visitors from Dunalley Primary School in Tasmania will arrive on Monday afternoon. The group of 6 students and two adults will be staying with some of our families on Monday and Tuesday night. The group will be visiting Tarra Bulga National Park while they are here as well as spending some time getting to know our students in Grade 4, 5 and 6. The group will also be visiting Melbourne and stopping overnight whilst enjoying some activities in the city before heading back to Tasmania on Thursday afternoon. We have

been supported by the Hazelwood Rotary Club who has provided funds to go towards the costs of flights for our Tasmanian guests. The Rotary Club will also be hosting our visitors at a dinner on Monday night.

**Life Ed Van**

The Life Ed Van will be visiting our school on the 29<sup>th</sup> August and 1<sup>st</sup> September. All students will be participating in this program as it focusses on developing healthy lifestyles for young people. Harold the giraffe will be back again and our younger students in particular enjoy seeing Harold each year. A parent information session is being held on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August at 9:30am for any parents who would like to seek more information about the topics being covered during this program. Costs for the program have been incorporated in the Materials Charges for this year which were outlined in the schedule sent home at the beginning of the year.

**Joel Fraser – Principal**

**PROP BOX ITEMS NEEDED**

Our school is hoping to put together a “movie prop box” so that all students from Prep to Year 6 can use these items for their movie making sessions. We are seeking any donations you may have of the following items: costumes, any other spare clothing, costume jewellery, toys or props that could be used to help our students 'look the part' when acting in school based movies. Any donation would be greatly appreciated. If you require any further information could you please contact me on the following email: [allen.catherine.c@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:allen.catherine.c@edumail.vic.gov.au).

~ Catherine Allen - Grade 2/3 Teacher ~

**MICHAEL SALMON - AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR**

Michael Salmon is a children's author who has written, illustrated and had published over 160 books. He has visited our school many years ago and he will be visiting our school once again 8th September. He will be chatting and demonstrating his skills to students in a one hour session then he will be available for "author signing" with parents at the end of the visit. It is a session that is creative, entertaining and educational for students. Michael will talk about practical creativity for young people. On the day he will produce sketches and caricatures of his characters and possibly students from the audience. He will show the students how he gets his ideas and makes his books. Michael has been visiting schools since 1972. The cost of the one hour session is \$3.50 per student. If you have any questions with regards to this author visit please do not hesitate to contact me for further information.

~ Catherine Allen - Library Co-ordinator ~

**YOU CAN DO IT  
STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS  
For Week Ending 15<sup>th</sup> August 2014**



Prep/1	Zara Tilley	For use of strategies in reading.
1/2	Harry Lockett	For having a positive attitude towards his school work and facing challenges.
2/3	Jesse Selwyn	For his excellent leadership skills during group work whilst making iMovies with iPads.
4/5	Mia Sturre	For her expressing reading.
5/6	Tiannah Goodwin	For showing initiative throughout all school activities.
Art/Music	Phoebe Rhodes	For her excellent observation skills while drawing her self portrait.
	Tom Bolton	For huge improvements in the details he has added to his self portrait.
P.E.	Grant Jenkins	For showing determination to learn skipping.
	Anya Robinson & Georgia Robinson	For excellent cooperation and getting along during P.E.
Principal	Leila Hare	For showing great sportsmanship during our game on Friday.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

20 Aug	Wed	Parent/Teacher Interviews 1:00pm – 6:00pm
23 Aug	Sat	Trivia Night – 7:00pm
25-27 Aug	Mon-Wed	Dunalley Primary School Visit
29 Aug & 1 Sep	Fri & Mon	Life Ed Van
8 Sep	Mon	Author Michael Salmon Visit - \$3.50 per student