

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone has had a nice and relaxing break and is ready to return to the routine of school. We have another busy term ahead with a number of activities which will broaden every child's learning and understanding. We aim to provide a comprehensive program at our school and people in general, are truly challenged when they experience new things and are involved in subjects which they aren't familiar with. Our belief is that this is developing the skills in our students which will enable them to be better at school and in later life. Avoiding or opting out of various events hinders an individual's ability to "wobble" and struggle, which is what is required to develop and learn new things.

Postcard Project

Our students will be participating in a postcard project co-ordinated by Berry Street. Our students will design a postcard with a positive message included which will be sent over to Dunalley Primary School in Tasmania, whose school was burnt down in the bushfires earlier this year. It is hoped that the Tasmanian students will reply with their own postcard and hopefully our students will be able to continue the contact and develop a friendship with the students from Tasmania.

Term 4 AASC Program

The Active After School program will begin in the second week of Term 4 with Badminton activities being held on Wednesday afternoons (first session 16th October) and Volleyball activities held on Thursday afternoons (first session 17th October). Both afternoons will be held at the Traralgon South Badminton Centre. Students will be collected by Janine Groves and you can collect your child from the centre at 4:45pm. All students are welcome to participate with afternoon tea provided. Those students who would like to participate in the program can collect a permission form from the front office with a reminder to all parents that these forms need to be filled in each term as the activities change.

Term 4 – Hats

Parents are reminded that approved school hats are to be worn by students in term 4 in line with our Sunsmart policy. Approved hats are those which protect the face, neck and ears whilst playing outside and can be purchased from the school's uniform shop. Students who do not have an appropriate hat in term 4 will be required to play under the covered areas at recesses and lunchtimes. We have micro fibre bucket hats in the P&F Uniform shop for \$8.00 each along with the older style bucket hat for \$6.00 and the slouch hat for \$6.50.

Swimming Program Term 4

Students in Grades Prep, 2/3 and 4/5 received information about the swimming program at the end of last term. As outlined on the permission form, learning to swim is vitally important for our students, far too many children drown in Australia each year.

Where possible every student should attend and the program should not be seen as optional unless a medical condition would prevent participation. This is

consistent with other programs the school runs such as literacy and numeracy, which also should not be seen as optional. All lessons will be taught by qualified instructors employed by the Churchill Leisure Centre. We ask that permission forms and payment be returned **by tomorrow** if you have not already done so.

Resource Savings and Recycling

As we continue to reduce the amount of paper we use at school, we remind parents that a hard copy of absent notes as emailed notes and diary notes are great to notify your child's teacher, however, to keep a hard copy we need to print out a whole A4 page. To minimise the amount of paper being used and reduce copying costs, we ask that parents send along a brief note outlining the student absence.

We are also encouraging students to reuse envelopes from home for money being sent to school. Small payments brought to school, whether it is for a school lunch or a small excursion, need to be sent in a clearly marked envelope or plastic bag (a named resealable snap lock bag is ideal) etc. Envelopes that were available from the school office in the past have not been continued for lunches and minor activities.

Years 5 and 6 Camp

Student in Years 5 and 6 will be heading off to Melbourne for camp at the beginning of November. The cost of the camp will be \$210 and we will be visiting many attractions around the city including the museum, Eureka Skydeck, MSAC and Scienceworks. A permission form will be sent home this week.

Term 4 - Frozen Ice Sticks

Students are able to purchase a Zooper Dooper Frozen Ice Stick at the beginning of lunchtime at a cost of 50c each. Grade 5/6 students will go to each grade to sell these.

Joel Fraser – Principal

ART ROOM NEWS

Thank you to all the families who have been donating 1.25 and 2 litre plastic bottles to the art room over the last couple of months. I am planning on doing a flower activity with them next year, so please keep them coming in as we need a lot!

Could you also please save the coloured lids from various plastic bottles as well as from milk bottles (no bigger than milk bottles though). I am hoping to do a plastic lid mosaic with Grade 2/3 later in the term, so if we get enough different coloured plastic lids we will be able to do it. We are also in need of polystyrene trays if you have any.

Another activity I am hoping to do next year, but need a lot of, is the plastic flip lid from a baby wipes packet. So if you could save them and send them into school that would be appreciated because it will take quite a while to save those up.

TRARALGON SOUTH SHOP TRADING HOURS FOR SUMMER MONTHS

Monday – Friday 6.00am – 8.00pm

Saturday, Sunday & P/H – 8.00am – 8.00pm

Closed - Christmas & Boxing Day

Cooking Hours - From opening - 7.30pm Every Day

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DATES TO REMEMBER

14 Oct	Mon	Parents & Friends Meeting – 9:30am
15 Oct	Tue	Book Club Due In
		Swimming Program begins – Grades Prep, 2/3 and 4/5. \$80 per student.
16 Oct	Wed	First Active After School Session for Term 4
24 Oct	Thu	Drumming Workshop - \$6 per student and performance time approx. 2:00pm
31 Oct	Thu	Music Count Us In – 12 noon
6-8 Nov	Wed-Fri	Years 5 & 6 Camp in Melbourne – cost \$210

YOU CAN DO IT STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS For Week Ending 20th September 2013



Prep	Aidan Prior	For improving his concentration on his work.
1/2	Tahli Zarth	For displaying patience and assertiveness in the classroom.
2/3	Hailee Henry	For her enthusiastic approach to all of her school activities.
4/5	Whole Grade	For putting in a super terrific effort all term and excellent Power Point presentation. Keep it up.
5/6	Brodie Goodwin	For using initiative and good organisational skills at all times.
P.E.	Georgia Crowe	For always trying her best during P.E. class to master skills.
	Hannah Thompson	For concentrating so well to master skills in P.E.

STEVE SCHULZ – DRUMMING WORKSHOPS

On Thursday 24th October we have Steve Schulz coming to our school to conduct drumming workshops with our students. Steve is a very well known and experienced drummer from the local area and we are very fortunate to have him work with our students for the day. During the day he will work with the students exploring different rhythms and beats using various hand drums from around the world. At the end of the day the students will put on a concert in the multi-purpose room to showcase their drumming skills for family and friends to enjoy!! So please come along and enjoy the music!! I will confirm the time of the concert closer to date, but at the moment it stands at 2-2.15pm. The cost for students is \$6 and everyone will be expected to participate. As the cost is over \$5, we have sent home a payment envelope with the newsletter.

MUSIC - COUNT US IN

Exactly a week later, after the drumming session, on Thursday 31st October we have another music spectacular!! All schools in Australia that have registered with Music Count Us In will be singing the song at 12.30pm. So that will be around half a million students Australia wide singing "Keep On" at the same time!! Celebrating music, giving all a students a chance to enjoy music and realising how important music is in our lives is a reason behind singing the song nationally. You may have heard your child singing this song already as it is a very catchy tune!! So at 12 noon on Thursday 31st October please come along to the multi-purpose room to join in the singing. As well as singing the song, we will have our recorder groups performing and the music group accompanying the school with the song Keep On. So please come along as the recorder groups and music group are looking forward to performing for the wider community!

~ Yvonne Game ~

Solar Energy Generation

The reading this week is 21542kwh which means we have generated 730kwh since our last reading.

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Life Ed Reports By Grade Prep

We went into Harold's van. We blew magic dust on to the roof and we went for a walk in the park and we picked up the needle and we learnt three rules. Don't touch it, tell a grown-up. We put fruit in the hoops. When Harold went down the stairs he bumped his head.

By Ben

Harold bumped his head four times. We laughed. We learnt about healthy food.

By Georgia

We rubbed the floor and the lights turned out. We put some healthy things on the wall. Every time Harold went down the stairs he bumped his head.

By Belle

We went to Harold's van. He bumped his head. We had magic dust. I mad the lights come on. We watched his movies. We got stickers.

By Harry

We went to see Healthy Harold in his van. We tapped some body parts and we watched his movies and we got stickers. We had fun.

By Lizzie

We went to see Harold in his van. He bumped his head.

By Jae

We saw Healthy Harold and we learned about putting parts on the girl's body. If you tapped the magic wand wherever you touched it, it glowed. After the van we had a run.

By Benj

Harold bumped his head. We saw Harold. Harold got out junk food by mistake. We got to tickle him.

By Jayden

We rubbed the dust and we turned the lights off. He bumped his head 3 times.

By Aidan

Harold bumped his head 4 times. We played pass the parcel. When you got the parcel you got to put a body part on the carpet boy.

By Chris

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By Jessica P

We went I Healthy Harold's van. When he hit his head it was very funny. The magic wand wasn't magic.

By Maddison

We went in the Harold van. When he went down the stairs and he bumped his head it was funny.

By Jessica R

We went to visit Harold the Giraffe. When he was going he bumped his head lots of times. There was magic dust on the rug. We blew it up on to the roof and the lights went out. We also got stickers.

By Leo

We went to Harold's today. At Harold's we had to rub our hands on the carpet to turn the lights off. At the end we got a sticker.

By Tom

We used Harold's special dust. We got stickers and I liked my sticker. I liked the van.

By Patrick

I liked going to the Harold van.

By Kai

We saw Harold and Harold taught us how to turn the lights off with magic dust. Harold bumped his head four times. We got to put body parts on the carpet.

By Cassie



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