

Dear Parents,

### ***Riding To School***

This week at assembly, I spoke about the disturbing news that students had been seen riding down the middle of the road and forcing cars to move around them. We want all of our students to be safe and understand the dangers around them. Please ensure that if your child is riding their bike or scooter to school they have all the necessary equipment **on** and they adhere to the road rules. We will continue to make this a focus at our assemblies to raise awareness. Students were also reminded they are not to ride along the footpath directly outside the school as this causes a dangerous situation with so many cars and people. Please make sure you continue to talk about this with your children.

### ***Email Communication***

Also in my note last week, I mentioned we are always looking for ways to improve our communication back to parents. Email is one cost effective and efficient way to make families aware of what is happening at Traralgon South PS. If you would like to receive email communication, please fill in the sheet handed out on Friday or email me directly with your child/s name and grade level/s.

### ***Hats***

Students are reminded that they are required to wear School Council approved hats whilst playing outside during term 1 and 4 as per our school policy. Students who are not wearing a hat will be required to play under the appropriate shaded areas of the school ground. Please remind your child to bring their hat to school each day.

### ***2016 Materials Charges***

The 2016 Materials Charges have been set by School Council and will be \$130 per student. This payment goes towards student and class consumable materials. This payment is not voluntary and needs to be made before the end of February unless an appropriate payment plan has been organised with me.

### ***2016 Voluntary Contributions***

The 2016 Voluntary Contribution has been set by the School Council and will be \$30 per student towards ICT related equipment, \$10 per student which goes towards grounds maintenance, in particular mowing plus the \$30 per family working bee payment.

**Adam Downes - Principal**

### **KEYS FOUND**

A set of keys has been found on the walking track and handed in to the shop. If you believe these are yours, please contact the shop.

### **MUSIC LESSONS**

Tania Baldwin is offering private music lessons at school. She teaches piano/keyboard, guitar, flute, recorder and clarinet. Please feel free to phone her on 0448 924 340 with any enquiries.

### **CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE**

You may be eligible to receive conveyance allowance for transporting your child to and from school. To be eligible to receive conveyance allowance, a student must:

- Be school age
- Reside more than 4.8km by the shortest route from the nearest school attended or bus stop,
- Be enrolled at the nearest government primary or secondary school, or at the nearest appropriate registered non-government school.

If you believe you are eligible to receive conveyance allowance, please contact the school to complete an application.

### ***Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)***

The CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term One, or;
- on the first day of Term Two;
  - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be the holder of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
  - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and
  - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

Application forms should be completed and lodged with schools by 29th February 2016 for the first round of payments but forms will be accepted up until the last week of term 2.

The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child. The annual CSEF amount per student will be \$125 for primary school students. Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef). For more information about the CSEF visit [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef).

DATES TO REMEMBER		
15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mon	Parents & Friends – Annual General Meeting after assembly
16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Tue	Book Club Due In
22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Mon	MAPPEN Information Session – after assembly
23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Tue	MAPPEN Information Session – 6:30pm
29 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mon	Student Materials Charges Due
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Wed	House Sports
11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Fri	Student Free Day
14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Mon	Labour Day – Public Holiday
16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Wed	District Sports
23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	Wed	School Photos
24 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Thu	End of Term 1 – Early Dismissal 1:30pm

**YOU CAN DO IT**  
**STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS**  
**For Week Ending 5<sup>th</sup> February 2016**



P/1	Joshua Elms	For always using his best manners.
1/2	Matthew Adam	For his excellent attitude and effort towards school.
2/3	Lizzie Ralph	For her inquiry and persistence in solving fraction problems.
4/5	Grant Jenkins	For solving problems and showing initiative.
5/6	Rebekah Guy	For showing great thinking about your identity.
Art/Music	Lizzie Ralph & Maddison Hodgson	For their excellent efforts in helping Mrs Game and their classmates with their paper windmills.
P.E.	Grayce Meyer	For excellent listening during P.E.

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## **MAPPEN Information Session**

As mentioned in my note home on Friday, the last information session wasn't very well planned on my behalf, only allowing a few days notice from the start of school.

Another 2 sessions are planned and will be more widely publicised. The two extra session times will be;

- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 9:15am (straight after assembly)
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 6:30pm

Both sessions will be held in the 5/6 room. Hopefully one of these times will suit those who couldn't make the first session.

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Albert Street Primary School

# COMMUNITY

DRIVER IN MOVIE  
MARKET NIGHT

**MOVIE!**  
Bring along your picnic blankets and fold out chairs to snuggle under the stars and watch a movie on the big screen

**MARKET STALLS**  
From lollies, home made cakes and slices, hand made childrens clothing and accessories, homewares and much much more!  
Jumping Castle & Face Painting!

**FOOD!?**  
We've got those hungry bellies sorted! Baked Spuds? Dutch Pancakes? Woodfire Pizzas? Sausage Sizzle? Hot Jam Donuts and Popcorn!? How's that for choice!?

**TICKETS**  
Tickets are available from Albert Street Primary School.  
Limited Tickets will be available on the night.  
Adults - \$10 School Aged Children - \$5  
Under School Aged - FREE

**FRIDAY 4TH MARCH**  
**5PM - LATE**

Come along to The Moe Racing club to help support Albert Street Primary School!  
Upon entry, you'll automatically go into the draw to win amazing door prizes!




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