Be Respectful, Be a Responsible Learner, Be Honest and Trustworthy
Be Caring and Compassionate, Be a Good Citizen

DIARY DATES

FEBRUARY
Mon 13th to Fri 24th
Gr. 3-6 Swimming Program
Fri 24th
Gr. 3-6 Swimming Sports
Mon 20th
Breakfast in the Gym 8.30am
Tue 28th
School Council Meeting

MARCH
Mon 13th
Labour Day Holiday
Tue 21st
Cultural Diversity Day.

Preps do not attend school on Wednesdays during Term 1.

ASSEMBLY 9.00am every Tuesday in the Gym

Office Hours: 8.30am to 4.00pm

Students’ School Banking Day: Fridays

Term Dates 2017
Term 1 30th Jan – 31st March
Term 2 18th April – 30th June
Term 3 17th July – 22nd September
Term 4 9th October – 22nd December

Current Focus

Good Manners – (Be respectful)

Good Manners Around the World
Researched by 6KB

Brazil
It is good manners to use utensils, even when eating pizza!

Italy
It is polite to wait until the hostess is seated before sitting down.

Indonesia
To walk down a residential street, you should ask permission of a local.

New Zealand
You should address people by their surname until you get to know them.

Thailand
It is polite to remove your shoes before entering a building.

China
Sample a bite of every dish on offer.

United Kingdom
It is polite to open a gift as soon as it is given to you.

Japan
Slurping your soup is not only acceptable; it shows you are enjoying the meal.

United Arab Emirates
The formal way to greet someone is by saying, “Peace be upon you.”

Korea
A host should accompany their guests to the gate, as they believe it is insulting to wish your guests farewell indoors.

Australia
Australians get down to business with a small amount of casual, relaxed small talk.
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Assembly
What a pleasure it was to have so many parents attending Tuesday’s assembly. To have a school that is so community minded and to have community celebrate the successes of the children is a standout. Well done to all! I would particularly like to highlight this year’s prep children who listened and participated intently. Likewise the recognition of the school leaders was particularly important, especially with so many community members in the audience. I believe everyone should be extremely proud of the school, its students and staff and congratulations to all as the children certainly demonstrate the values of the school in so many ways.

Carlton Football Club players
On Thursday we had four Carlton players attending the school to host a football clinic for approximately 50 Year 5/6 students. For many, like myself, this was a very exciting time. We thoroughly enjoyed the interaction with the players.

Year 3-6 swimming
Please keep in mind that the year 3-6 commence their intensive swimming program, culminating in the House Swimming Sports on Friday 24th of February. We look forward to all students concerned being involved and learning both swimming and survival techniques. If we could have all required permission forms back by this Friday, 10th February, it would be appreciated.

Thank you again for all your welcomes and I look forward to working with each family. I also look forward to the day when I remember everyone’s name.

Enjoy your weekend
Trevor Edwards
Principal

ALL VOLUNTEERS

When volunteering at school, working with children checks are now required in line with The Child Safe Standards.

WWC forms are available on line
http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au
Volunteer checks are free of charge.

All volunteers are to present their WWCC card to the office for registration before commencing volunteering.

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE

Are you eligible?
For students to be eligible for a conveyance allowance they must:

- Be aged over five by 30th April 2017.
- Live more than 4.8km by the shortest practicable route from the nearest bus stop, and
- Be enrolled at the nearest government school.
- Parents who applied last year will need to reapply for 2017 by Tuesday, 28th February, 2017.
- If you have been placed on a waiting list for bus travel you may also be eligible.

Once again Visual Art will be utilising an app for smartphones, tablets and computers called “SEESAW”. SEESAW is essentially a digital portfolio used to document and share what each student is doing and learning in the art room.

SEESAW gives students the opportunity to share and talk about their art learning with their parents and families long before they bring home the “real thing” at the end of the year. Parents are encouraged to ask the students or the teacher questions and write comments below the student’s images. Talking about their work assists students with deepening their understandings and learning.

Individual student content on SEESAW is only viewed by the actual student’s parents (or others that parents request access for) and the teacher sees all comments before they appear in the portfolio. Some group work, as well as teacher provided descriptions of learning intentions, can be viewed by all relevant connected parents.

Participation is encouraged but of course not compulsory or essential. It is simply a way of reaching out to parents to share and celebrate what happens in the art room.

An individualised letter (with full instructions) inviting you to download this free app and link to your student’s portfolio should come home with this newsletter. If you don’t receive it please email me on wassell.nicolea@edumail.vic.gov.au and I can sort it out from there.
CULTURAL DIVERSITY DAY

This year’s Cultural Diversity Day is on the theme of ‘Our journey, our stories’. The theme celebrates immigration, the contribution of various cultures and how our differences unite us. We would love to hear from any parents or community members who feel they could, or know someone who could, facilitate a workshop for the students. For example, teach a dance, share or teach songs, share stories, perform a play, make a musical instrument, story-telling through visual arts etc. The date of this event is Tuesday 21st March. A note is attached to this newsletter requesting assistance. Please fill in and return this to the office.

Regards, The Specialist Team: Nicole Wassell, Katie Yeung, Suzanne Hobson, Trudi Blick.

ITALIAN WORD/PHRASE OF THE WEEK

Sienna - "Come to chiami?" - What is your name?
Freya - "Mi chiamo ............" - My name is........

BOOKCLUB

Book club is an important fundraiser for our school. Every time a family purchases books through Book Club the school receives books for our school library. Over the years Book Club has been operating, hundreds of books have been received and our school library would not be the wonderful resource it is for our children’s learning.

Forms were distributed to students this week. The final date for return is Wednesday, 15th February, 2017. Please ensure the form has child’s name, and correct money for items ordered enclosed, if returning to the school.

Reminder: Parents may also order online via “The Loop”. Any orders via The Loop will be delivered to school in the usual manner.

Late Arrival and Early Departure

Students being dropped off late to school must be signed in at the office under parent supervision. We ask that parents accompany their child to class to ensure constant supervision.

In the case of early departure from school a reminder that a blue early departure form must be collected and completed at the office. This must then be taken and given to your child’s teacher before they can release the child from their care. No student will be released early without receipt of the blue slip.

Absences

If your child is absent from school please ring the school office asap on 53482480 or send a written explanation on the day of their return.

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RE-USABLE LUNCH ORDER BAGS $10
Available via the Canteen
— order through your lunch order OR directly through the Canteen. Available only in Black with blue trim.

CANTEEN - HELP ALWAYS NEEDED
Please contact our Canteen Manager, Bev Adkins, on 5348 1839 or 0423 357 191 if you can assist. Thank you

AMENDMENT TO OUR LUNCH ORDER LIST: PIZZA SLICE (Aussie) was priced at $4.90 it should have been $3.00

SPAGHETTI BOLOGNAISE STILL AVAILABLE AT CANTEEN UNTIL SOLD OUT (18 LEFT) $4.90

STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Dance and Drama classes start now!
for pre-school, primary, secondary kids & adults.
Creative & Contemporary Dance, Drama, Adult & Child dance, & Studio Hire.
Info and Enrolment at:
www.insideoutdancetheatre.com.au
Enquiries: 0417 592 522 or or
jo@insideoutdancetheatre.com.au
Factory 2 / 39 East St, Daylesford
Term 1 2017 No. 2 Friday, 10th February, 2017