2013 CALENDAR DATES

APRIL

Thur 25th ANZAC Day - Public Holiday
Fri 26th School House Sports

MAY

Fri 10th Mothers Day stall
Sun 11th Mothers Day
Tue 14th-16th NAPLAN Testing Grades 3 & 5
Mon 20-25th Education Week / Enrolment Week
School Council
Fri 24th Curriculum Day — Pupil Free Day
Fri 31st Gr 6 — Year 7 Transition forms due

JUNE

Mon 10th Queens Birthday Public Holiday
Sat 15th Trivia Night — Highton Bowls Club
Fri 28th Last day Term 2

SCHOOL HOUSE SPORTS DAY FRI 26th APRIL

Our annual House Sports Day is this Friday 26th April from 9.30am. Students are encouraged to come to school in their house colours and everyone takes part in our ‘fun' physical activities with a hint of inter house rivalry. This is always a fun day for our whole school community.

Students meet on the oval and follow through a variety of activities loosely associated with athletics events. Students take part in 8 rotations and receive a score for each event which all goes to the total score for their house and thus the winner is decided. Families are welcome to watch the various ‘sports' activities throughout the day and cheer for your house. The coffee van will attend to help spectators. The day finishes soon after lunch with some fun relays that you don't want to miss from about 2.30pm. Following relays we have the announcement of the winning house, speeches by the winning house captains and some raucous singing of the house song.

Our Parents Association also holds a morning tea in the Art Room (Multi Purpose Room) at 11.00am. This is an opportunity to meet other parents and catch up with Fyans Park friends for a cuppa and chat. We would love to see as many people as possible; Mums and Dads, siblings, and grandparents are welcome! The tea and coffee are provided, any donations of cakes, slices or biscuits would be greatly appreciated and can be left in the M.P. room kitchen on Friday morning.

Don’t forget to wear your house colours:

Ormskirk : Blue
Cook : Yellow
Camden : Green
Windmill : Red

We look forward to a great day of fun and friendship

GOORMSKIRKGOCAMDENGOOCOOKGOWINDMILL!
PARENTS' ASSOCIATION NEWS

* On Sports Day, Friday 26th April, the PA will be providing tea, coffee and morning tea in the Multi-Purpose Room. Available from 11.00 to 11.30am. **ALL WELCOME.**

* The City to Surf coffee van will also be at school during this time if you wish to purchase hot drinks or snacks.

* There will also be Secondhand Uniform items for sale in the Multi-Purpose Room between 11.00 and 11.30am on Friday.

* **Mothers Day** is coming up and the PA require donations of items such as candles, soaps, pens, etc. On the 8th May the PA will be having a meeting where we wrap gifts and have a chat at the same time. **ALL WELCOME.** Helpers are also required on the day of the staff (Friday 10th) from 12.00 to 1.30pm.

MOTHER’S DAY - BISCUIT DECORATING EVENING

**Tuesday 7 May**

If you are interested in learning to decorate biscuits and would like to help raise money for the school Mother’s Day Stall, we are holding a biscuit decorating evening in the school staffroom from **7pm** on **Tuesday 7 May**. Any helpers welcome. No prior decorating skills are required as training will occur on the night. An apron is recommended. For any further queries please call Kelly Jenkins on 0430 108 008.
2014 ENROLMENTS - enrolling siblings
Due to anticipated enrolments we would like to finalise numbers of Preps for 2014 as soon as possible. If you have a child you would like to enrol, enrolment forms can be obtained from the Office. Interest from outside our area is particularly high so we need to finalise numbers from existing families as soon as possible.

CIKA Coach Drive – Thank You
Thank you for supporting the Royal Children’s Hospital.
It has been great for Andrew and Christine and the rest of the CIKA Coach Drive crew.
We raised over $50,000. Thank you for all of the school’s money.
There were 12 people on the crew and eight horses.
I can tell you the names of the horses: Tiny, Lofty, Ben, Jim, Obarn, Cass, Gordon and Fuzzy.
Everyone had a great time on the trip.
By Finn (1C)

Our School Captains Isaac and Darcy representing Fyans Park at the Geelong School’s ANZAC Ceremony on Tuesday.

Literacy
Tool of the Week!

**Opposite Ocean**

Price: Free
Grade Level: 2-6
Skill: Word meaning (antonyms)
Device: iPad, iPhone, iPod Touch

In *Opposite Ocean*, Luna and Leo must master the magic of words by correctly identify the antonym that is the opposite of the given keyword. Children earn pearls when they drag the correct bubble word to the enchanted clam.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The 2013/2014 Entertainment Books have arrived.
The cost of each book is $55. Please contact the Office.
FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE – CREDIT YOUR ACCOUNT

As a school we are well aware of the number of times we call on parents to pay for extra curricula activities, such as camps, excursions, sports events, visiting performances etc. This can become quite a process as you pay $5.00 here, $2.50 there and so on.

We are able to offer parents the option of being in credit throughout the year, thus reducing the call for you to send in small amounts of money on a seemingly regular basis.

We are now able to offer parents a number of options to pay for additional items – cash, cheque, credit card, EFTpos and new this year Bpay. Reference number available at the office.

If you paid a sum of money up front e.g. $50, this would be held against your family account as a credit and used to pay for those smaller amounts during the year.

We are able to provide you with a print out of your current status at any time throughout the year.

Any unused funds would be rolled over into 2014 or if in Year 6 refunded at the end of the year. We are also able to do this with Education Maintenance Allowance payments that are paid directly to the school.

If you wish to do this, please advise Jan in the Office and we can then provide you with the appropriate paperwork. You may choose to avail yourself of this option at any time during the year. We hope this service assists.

THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE FUNDRAISING ITEMS e.g. Special Food Days or Book Club, and Student Banking.

Chrissie Fair Preserves Stall

Thanks to those families who have donated ingredients and jars to date and have earned valuable house points for their children!!

We have run out of things as we have been jellying, jamming and relishing so could you please put in your trolleys when you shop next:

- white vinegar (Homebrand, big bottles are perfect!!)
- white sugar (Homebrand 2 or 3 kg would be brilliant!!)

Also we need jars (labels removed, sticky stuff that always makes this job tedious comes off with eucalyptus oil) with plastic lids (around the 400g Vegemite jar size - fabulous!!).

Drop these goodies off in the box at the Office, make sure they are labelled with name and house of your child to earn more house points.

Thanks in anticipation.

Helen Purnell (mother of Henry 5/6J and Eloise Prep M)  helen.purnell1@gmail.com

SCHOOL BANKING

The Dollarmites have found treasure on Adventure Island and they want to share it with you, your students and your school. Your school can win $5,000!

All your students need to do is make three or more deposits through your school during Term 2 and they’re automatically entered into the competition.

It’s not too late to enter the Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge. The Challenge is open now and will run until September. All children at Fyans Park Primary School are eligible to enter.

Details of the Challenge are available at  www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

Children who would like to register can collect a consent form from me in the library.

Helen Chisholm
Earth Day & ANZAC Day!

Hi Families,

This week in OSHC we have had a couple of days of celebrations, we had Earth Day on Monday and remembered ANZAC Day each afternoon. We have been working hard on making many different craft items out of recyclable materials and have been busy starting our Mother’s Day gifts.

With the weather not being too good we have been playing a load of indoor games, a favourite has been red knee and In/Out.

We are still in need of dress ups and dolls house furniture. If you have some old clothes/toys you would like to get rid of why not recycle them to us in OSHC? We would be grateful of the donations.

We have vacancies on all days before and after school so why don’t you come along and join in the fun at OSHC.

Come and play with us today in OSHC!!

 Cheers & Keep Smiling
Jodie, Lynne & Jess