NOTES HOME THIS WEEK

* Receipts
* Bank books
* Scholastic Book Club catalogues
* Christmas Fair raffle tickets
* Christmas Fair dunking tank letter

2014 CALENDAR DATES

NOVEMBER

Fri 14th  Prep excursion to Donegan's Farm
          Gr 5/6 Expo - 'Body Systems'
Mon 17th  School Council 7.00pm - postponed
          Gr 5/6 Milo T20 Blast Cricket
          Gr 2 iPad Info Session - 3.45pm
Tues 18th  Gr 4 Mums & Girls Preparation for Puberty
           Session - 3.45pm
Wed 19th  Gr 1 excursion to Scienceworks
          Prep Transition Session #2
Thur 20th  PA Meeting 9am - Staffroom
Fri 21st  Student Progress Reports home
          Gr 2 excursion to Scienceworks
Mon 24/25  Gr 5/6 excursion to Bio Lab
          Finance Committee 6.30pm
          School Council 7.00pm
Tues 25th  Prep Transition Session #3
Fri 28th  Christmas Fair
Sat 29th  Vic State Election

DECEMBER

Mon 1st  Prep 2015 Information Evening - 7.30pm
Mon 5th  Prep Transition Session #4
Mon 8th  School Council 7.00pm
Tues 9th  Prep 2015 family BBQ 6.00pm
Thurs 11th  Helpers Morning Tea 11.00am
Fri 12th  Student Reports home
          Gr 6 Graduation 7.00pm
Tues 16th  Gr 2 shared parent Christmas activity
          2015 class orientation - 12.30-1.30pm
Wed 17th  Gr 6 Big Day Out
          Gr 5 Leadership Day
          Prep - 2 Xmas Lunch
Fri 19th  Last day of term - 2.30pm dismissal

SCHOOL COUNCIL NOVEMBER MEETING POSTPONEMENT

A reminder to school councillors that our November meeting has been re-scheduled for Monday 24th November.

PARENT PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL

A reminder please that the school driveway must be kept clear of traffic at all times. Parents are not to drive up the driveway or block the drive in any way at any time. Parking is not permitted across the driveway. Local authorities have been alerted and registration numbers will be taken of any offenders. This also applies to our school crossing zone.

For the safety of all, please keep these areas clear.

PRIMARY SCHOOL SURFING TITLES

Good luck to the 14 students taking part in the primary surf titles at Torquay today. The weather is perfect for some aquatic activity and we know they will represent themselves and their school well.

iPAD PROGRAM INFORMATION SESSION FOR PARENTS OF GRADE 2

Our 3/4 teachers will conduct an information session around our iPad program next Monday 17th at 3.45pm for interested Gr 2 parents.

The 2014 program for 3/4 students has been extremely successful and well supported and teachers appreciate the support of our families. The use of iPads does in no way diminish the skills we reinforce in literacy and numeracy (writing, spelling, etc) and the iPads have in fact worked well to enhance the skills the students are developing.

The iPads have proven themselves to be a reliable and highly functional power tool for students in supporting their 21st century skills.

The session will be held in the 3/4 area.

2015 PREP TRANSITION SESSIONS

Our 44 Preps for 2015 have begun their transition program and the parents have begun their sessions of information as well. Our thanks to Mrs Rachel Serra who took our first session on reading and how parents can best support students.

The next session is next Wednesday 19th Nov at 2.30pm where the focus will be on writing.
**SCHOOL NEWS**

**CHRISTMAS FAIR LUCKY JARS**

Our SRC is once again organising Lucky Jars for this year’s Christmas Fair. We are asking families to assist us in filling lucky jars with all sorts of goodies (hair ties, wrapped lollies, stationery, novelty items, marbles, toys, etc.)

Jars went home two weeks ago and need to be returned to the Senior Learning Centre by Friday 21st November. Extra jars are available on request from Mr Scade if you can fill more than one. If you would like to return previously used jars (empty) these can be returned to Mr Scade as well.

Lucky Jars are a real hit at the Fair so please help to keep this tradition going. And don’t forget - for every jar that comes back you get 100 House points!

Thanks for your assistance.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY MATTERS**

**HANG DRY**

Get a clothesline or rack to dry your clothes by the air. Your wardrobe will maintain colour and fit, and you’ll save money. Your favorite t-shirt will last longer too.

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**ORDER YOUR 2014 SCHOOL YEARBOOK NOW!**

We are now accepting orders for your 2014 Fyans Park School Yearbook. This year’s Yearbook will be in full colour for only $12 per copy. Please complete the order form which has been distributed to your children and return by Friday 28th November. The form is also available on the school’s website.

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**Register as FYANS PARK in your Run Geelong sign-up!!**

*This is how it works:

2. Click ‘Register now’
3. Then select ‘Run Geelong’ as your event
4. Click that you are registering as a ‘TEAM’
5. Select ‘Public/School’
6. Click ‘Join existing team’
7. Then search for FYANS PARK

**YOU MUST JOIN THE ‘OFFICIAL’ TEAM** - if people don’t join the ‘official’ team; it will not be added to your school count!

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**SCHOOL CONCERT DVDs**

Finally the School Concert DVDs have been corrected and re-burnt, and will be distributed to those families who paid for one last Term.

I hope you enjoy watching our talented students.

Ruth Jacobson
3/4 Department Update

South Melbourne Market

The Grade 3/4 students went on an excursion to the South Melbourne Market to learn more about food from other cultures. They were split up into groups had an hour to buy foods they hadn’t had before. The dim sims and the Turkish bread were probably the most popular food that people bought. There were also a lot of meats, dips, bread and cheese that we had never heard of before.

The hour flew by! Everyone was eager to get to Albert Park Lake to eat all of their delicious food. The playground there was enormous. After the excursion everyone was exhausted.

We thoroughly enjoyed our day and would definitely go back. A highlight was being able to explore the wonderful market and food.

Thank you to the teachers and parents that made our day possible- with them we wouldn’t have been able to go.

Meeghan Pace and Jessica Elliot
We need you

We would love you to come along to the next Parents Association Meeting from 9am Thursday 20th November in the Staff Room

Little people are welcome too!!

We look forward to seeing our regular attendees and hope to see some new faces too!!
Santa’s Winter Wonderland

Fyans Park Primary School’s Christmas Fair would not be complete without a visit from Santa! This year Santa will be making a very noisy entrance to the Fair at 4.10 pm so make sure you are at the Camden Road entrance to welcome him to our school!

Lauren from Gazelle Photography is once again donating her time to our Christmas Fair. She will be snapping photos with Santa from 4.20 pm to 5.40 pm in Santa’s Winter Wonderland located in the Early Learning Centre. **Bookings can be made online at [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and entering the event code: 3Z7QR.** We also have a special Elf helping out again this year ..... he will look quite familiar so come and see who it might be! While at the Wonderland there will be Reindeer Food to make and Christmas cards to decorate. The Winter Wonderland will be open from 4.15 pm until 6.15 pm.

Hope to see you there.

CAKE STALL REMINDER

Always popular at the Fair, the cake stall makes a 100% profit for Fyans Park thanks to all families who dedicate some baking time in the days leading up to the Fair.

We would love to **PLEASE receive a contribution from each Fyans Park family.**

Popular products include whole cakes, cupcakes, biscuits, shortbread, slices and pavlova shells. Sausage rolls and savoury goods are particularly fast sellers, as well as gingerbread men and other decorated items kids love. Christmas goodies that can be eaten on the day or used as gifts are always a hit. (No cream or custard though, please, as the heat ruins these items).

Stall organisers will be **repackaging all goodies onto special trays / plates / bags so you don’t need to worry about presentation.** Just bring your goodies along in disposable packaging or in your own labelled container and we will do the rest. The stall must comply with Health Department regulations so we will also be sending home labels so that you can list the ingredients and include with your product. Gluten free items are very popular so please note if your goods are gluten free.

**ON FAIR DAY please deliver goodies to the Multi-Purpose Room kitchen - 8.30am to 1.30pm.** Extra labels will be available there if required.

For further queries please call Jules Broad on 5222 6721 or 0402 353 953 or email broadcats@optusnet.com.au. Your time and generosity is greatly appreciated.

RAFFLE TICKETS

Are coming home today. Tickets are $2 each or 3 for $5. Our hampers are growing and contributions will still be gratefully accepted – there’s still time to drop your donations into the Office!
**CHRISTMAS FAIR HELPER ROSTER**

**WE NEED AS MANY HELPERS AS POSSIBLE FOR THE FAIR TO ENSURE EVERYONE HAS A GREAT TIME!**

Please go to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and enter the event code **ZP97Y**. From there you select the timeslot/s when you can help and see what stalls need help.

If you do not have access to the internet please contact the school office and provide the following:

* Preferred time slot/s
* Preferred stall/activity (we will try and accommodate if slots are available)
* Mobile phone number
* Email address

Please be aware we need helpers on the day of the Fair as well to assist with set up of equipment, stalls and marquees, as well as some food preparation. Some of this work will require heavy lifting.

Any queries to Freya Poulter 0402 100 151 or the Christmas Fair Committee.

Thank you for your support!

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**BOOKS - DVDS - CDS**

The book stall is back at the Christmas Fair!

This is always a popular stall and this year we would like to expand with *CDs and DVDs in addition to books*. Now is the perfect time to go through your music and movie collections. Please leave all donations in the office. We also need good quality pre-loved books to sell. Cook books, children’s books and adult novels, travel books etc hard back or paperback all will be well received! Please leave your contribution at the Office.

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**SAKURATEI JAPANESE** is sponsoring the Christmas Fair.

Situated close to our school on Shannon Avenue in Manifold Heights, SakuraTei has been supplying the sushi our Fyans Park students enjoy throughout the year on Special Food Days. As a thankyou for the school’s ongoing support of their business, SakuraTei have kindly offered to supply a selection of sushi for the Christmas Fair.

**Villawood Properties are sponsoring the Fair.**

Villawood Properties is one of Australia’s leading residential land developers. The Fyans Park Christmas Fair is delighted to have the support of a company that specialises in the development of innovative, community-focused residential projects. Villawood Properties believes there is much more to creating a living, breathing community than simply constructing a housing allotment. They are committed to going that extra mile to deliver vibrant communities where residents form strong and lasting relationships.
In 2015 our Fyans Park newsletter will include a page of family and local business’ paid advertisements, similar to this sample.

- Ads will run for a term’s duration and will be business card sized only
- Cost will be $150 per term, per ad
- No inappropriate businesses will be considered, i.e., promotion of gambling, alcohol, etc

If you are interested in advertising in our school newsletter, please contact the Office on 5221 3772 or fyans.park.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Hi Families,

This past week in O.S.H.C the children have been busy making a paper mache globe as part of our Junior Global Citizenship Program. We have also sent off an envelope of friendship bands and animal masks and a decorated calico bag to the children that attend the ASC in Nelson Mandela Bay school in South Africa.

We have also made the most out of this fantastic weather by having small water fights and practicing our cricket skills with some fantastic bowling by first time player Catherine. Lucia, Dylan, Abi, Henri and Niki enjoyed playing as well. Jordan & Alex had fun practicing their soccer skills and Erin, Imogen and India practiced their throwing and catching skills.

PLEASE remember that it's NO HAT NO PLAY in Term 4! Please ensure your child has a hat for when they come to O.S.H.C if they want to play outside, we have sunscreen that will be made available to all children attending O.S.H.C, if your child needs a specific sunscreen please ensure that you send it along with them each day or if you wish you can drop it in to me so it is here for your child to use.

There are available spots every day before and after school so don't hesitate to book your children in to come and have some fun with us. Call me on 0452 247 130 if you have any enquiries, I am more than happy to answer any questions you may have or come on in and see me either before or after school to see what we get up to in OSHC. Cheers & Keep Smiling,

Jodie, Lynne & Avnika