FAMILY NEWSLETTER - Issue 19 - JUNE 19th 2014

2014 CALENDAR DATES

JUNE

Fri 20th  Special Food Day
  Matthew Flinders Band visit
  Mid year student Reports home
Tue 24th  Gr 5/6 Excursion - Sovereign Hill
Thu 26th  Parent/Teacher Interviews
  9.00am-3.30pm ELC - pupil free
Fri 27th  Last day Term 2
  Assembly 2.10pm
  Dismissal 2.30pm

JULY

Mon 14th  First day Term 3
Fri 18th  Special Religious Instruction forms
due back - P-2 only
Wed 23rd  Commonwealth Games begin
Fri 25th  National Tree Day

AUGUST

Mon 4th   eSmart Student sessions
  eSmart Parent session 6.30pm

NOTES HOME THIS WEEK

* Special Religious Instruction forms P-2
* Receipts
* Bank books
* Rollerway Skate Centre holiday vouchers

SCHOOL COUNCIL JUNE MEETING

Our School Council met on Monday evening and continues to oversee operations of our school. Discussions this month centred on:-

* **Positive take up of our new school 'APP'** - over 150 devices have downloaded the school APP which gives access to school information, newsletters and alerts. Student absence can also be texted through on the APP. We encourage everyone to access this free line of communication.

* The **Department of Education has issued new guidelines for the implementation of Special Religious Instruction**. Families of Prep-2 students will receive a revised form this week to consent to participation for the remainder of the year.

* The **upgrade to the oval** will proceed later in the year with works to upgrading the watering system continuing. Our thanks to Mitch Povey for his expertise with this area.

* Well done to Mrs Smart on **successful outcomes to recent government audits**.

* Our thanks to Cairene Stanley for her organisation of **Special Food Days** over the last 2 years. Thank you.

* **2014 Christmas Fair date** - Fri 28th November.

* Council continues to work with the **Fyans Park Tennis Club** in an effort to promote their membership and help maintain facilities. We are investigating grants and support from local council and State politicians. Our thanks to Kate Kennett for her work with this.

* **General business items** based around the school friendship lists; Gr 6 social activities; House Captain roles and investigating a school council Google Drive account to allow for greater communication between meetings.

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OSHC - CAMP AUSTRALIA
Telephone: 0452 247 130
Hours: 6.45 am - 8.45 am
3.30 pm - 6.00 pm
Prep / 1 Maths

The Junior students this week participated in more Measurement activities. Below, you can see students comparing and measuring different weights with scales.

The teachers have done a wonderful job this term, modelling for the students that Maths is fun and something everyone has success with.

Students with Disabilities Data Collection

All Victorian schools are participating in a national collection of data on Students with Disabilities, Health and Learning Conditions. The aim of the collection of data is to provide more accurate and complete information about the number and distribution of Australian school students with a disability, health or learning condition, including the adjustments provided to enable them to participate on the same basis as other students. All Victorian schools will be undertaking this collection of data.

The Data Collection will take place throughout the remainder of this term and into Term 3. No personal or identifying information about any student will be included, however, parents/carers can opt out of the Data Collection if they wish. To opt out, parents/carers will need to sign and return the ‘Opt Out’ consent form if sent home. More information about the Data Collection will be sent home to relevant families. More information is available from the Department of Education website at:


Otherwise, you can contact Gavin Nelson on 5221 3772 if you have any further questions.

Thank you for supporting our school.

Kind Regards,

Gavin Nelson
Assistant Principal

CHICKEN CAM

How quickly things change in the life of a newly hatched chicken! Our 9 feathered friends in the Grade 3/4 area have grown so quickly in just a week. They are alert and exploring their warm box. Most have now got small wings and the beginnings of tail feathers.
Dear Parents

Parent-Teacher Interviews will be held from 9:00am until 3:30pm on Thursday, 26th June. Bookings are now open! You can book times that suit your family best. Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions.

BOOKINGS CLOSE: Wednesday the 25th of June at 12 noon.

Enter THIS school event code. Then follow the 3 simple steps.

When you click finish, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - check your junk mail folder if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

For parents who don’t have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend’s house or on their phones, please visit the school office from Thursday 12th June so that bookings can be made. Interviews are strictly 15 mins and spaces are limited.

Parents can change their interview bookings at any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date should contact the school directly.
Coughs, Colds and Asthma

Coughs, colds and the flu are one of the most common triggers of asthma. The common cold is caused by an upper respiratory tract infection and is a common illness for children and adults in Australia. As we approach the colder months, here are some tips to keep in mind to prevent and reduce the spread of coughs, colds and the flu:

- Avoid coughing and sneezing on or near others and wash your hands thoroughly to prevent the spread of disease.
- If your child is not feeling well, it is recommended that they stay home and rest, to reduce the spread of infections and to speed up their recovery process.
- Everyone should have the annual flu vaccination to ensure they are protected from this disease. You or your child may be eligible for the free flu vaccination. Details about who is eligible can be found here and can also be determined by your doctor.
- Prior to purchasing any medications or herbal and natural remedies, you should seek the advice of your doctor or pharmacist as some medications can react with asthma medications. Such as Aspirin, Ibuprofen/Naproxen (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications), Beta Blockers tablet and eye drops (used for high blood pressure and glaucoma), and ACE inhibitors (used to control blood pressure).

For more information, please contact The Asthma Foundation of Victoria on 1800 278 462 or www.asthma.org.au

Environmental Sustainability Matters

Looking for a local electrician who is able to help you with energy efficient lighting, a local gardener to help you creating a veggie garden or anything sustainable then you can pick up a free copy of the directory called “Sustainable Geelong 2013” from all council customer service centres, regional libraries or by phoning 5272 5272.

Another directory posted on-line by City of Greater Geelong lists everything from ‘food swap’ groups (for gardeners with the ability to swap their excess for other fruit and vegetables) to toy libraries. This Community Directory which lists over 150 community organization is located at http://www.geelongaustralia.com.au/directory/results.aspx?s=% &l=0&a=0&k=0&c=22938

Education Maintenance Allowance - Instalment Two

The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided to assist eligible families with the costs associated with the education of their children.

Parents and guardians may be eligible for the EMA if they have a valid Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card.

The second instalment of the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) payment is due to be paid from mid-August onwards for parents/guardians who chose the ‘direct deposit’ or ‘pay direct to school’ payment option on their application form.

Parents and guardians who lodged an EMA application at the beginning of the year do not need to lodge another EMA application to receive the second instalment EMA payment.

Parents/guardians whose children have transferred to this school since 28 February 2014 will need to submit a new EMA application form. Applications close on 1 August 2014.

Eligibility information can be obtained from: www.education.vic.gov.au/aboutschool/lifeatschool/ema/default.htm

Contact: School Office for an application form and further information

Fyans Park PS - 50 Year Anniversary

To all FPPS staff and families

A meeting will held on Monday 23rd June in the Fyans Park Staffroom at 5pm to begin our plans for celebrating Fyans Park’s 50 Year Anniversary in 2015.

Your input would be greatly appreciated and we look forward seeing you then.

Any queries to Mandy Leigh 0419 516 286 mandy.leigh@bigpond.com.au

Key Dates:

Eligibility day - 14 July 2014
Parent applications close - 1 August 2014
Direct Deposit payments - Mid August 2014 onwards
STUDENT ABSENCES

Families are now able to advise the school of a child's absence via our new School App.

We remind families of the need to advise the school whenever your child is absent. This is a DEECD ruling and continual late or absent days are followed up and need to be accounted for by a parent.

FUNDS RAISED BY THE PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION SO FAR THIS YEAR!!

- Hot Cross Bun Drive: $313.90
- Mother’s Day Stall: $443.40
- Second Hand Uniform: $122.00
- Special Food Days: $1,204.55 (as at 12th June)

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Thank you to everyone who has dropped in clean, empty jars for the Preserves Stall at the Christmas Fair. This year, however, we are only in need of empty salsa jars (similar to the photos below). Please continue to drop them in at the Office.

Thanks again,
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Holiday Club is Open!

Hi Families,

This past week in OSHC we celebrated National Buddy Day on Friday the 13th of June and we announced our Buddy Leaders who are Mia S, Amelia, Lauren, Kayley, Chloe and Harry. We need 4 more at this stage so if you come into OSHC and would like to be a Buddy Leader please see me asap. Buddy Leaders are children who believe they can help others if they have any issues and will be asked from time to time to run games/activities for team building experiences.

The 26th of June is Parent Teacher Interviews and your children aren’t required at school for a full day program, they are only required to be in attendance for the time of their interview. In response to this we are hoping to run a full day service, the program will run from 6:45am-6:00pm with a full range of activities available for the children including breakfast and our regular afternoon snacks. In order to run this service for you we will need to have a minimum of 18 children booked in.

Holiday Club bookings are now open and I encourage you to book in early as spaces are limited. These holidays we are going roller skating and to the movies to see How to Train Your Dragon 2. We have a few incursions with the World Cup coming up we will be decorating our own jersey and having our very own World Cup.

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 & Chelsea

STAR OF THE WEEK: Niki

HOW TO GET STARTED

Before using our programs register online for an account. This enables you to make bookings, view your statements and manage your details anytime of the day. Registering is quick and easy. Visit www.campaustralia.com.au/newparents
Kardinia International School Holiday Club  
PO Box 17 Geelong VIC 3220  
0466 458 925 (08:00-16:00)

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<td>Jersey Jumpers</td>
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<td>Video Spectacular</td>
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<td>Take off your shoes and skate your way into fun! Click on the heading for more information</td>
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<td>Ready, Set, Go!</td>
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<td>Play Your Way</td>
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<td><strong>Lights, Camera...Dragon!</strong></td>
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