### 2014 Calendar Dates

#### May
- **Fri 16th**: Special Food Day
- **Mon 19-23rd**: Education Week
  - School Council 7.00pm
- **Wed 21st**: Science Activity Fun Day
  - Open Session 11.30-1.30pm
- **Sat 24th**: Dinner Auction 7.00pm
- **Tue 27th**: Division Cross Country

#### June
- **Fri 6th**: Student Progress Reports home
- **Mon 9th**: QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- **Mon 16th**: School Council 7.00pm
- **Tue 24th**: Gr 5/6 Excursion - Sovereign Hill
- **Wed 25th**: Parent/Teacher Interviews
- **Fri 27th**: Last day Term 2
  - Assembly 2.10pm
  - Dismissal 2.30pm

#### July
- **Mon 14th**: Term 3 starts
- **Wed 23rd**: Commonwealth Games begin
- **Fri 25th**: National Tree Day

### Education Week 2014
Next week is education week across Victorian government schools and this year’s theme is ‘Scientists do amazing things’. To celebrate this we will have a whole school science activity fun day on Wednesday 21st May that will see students involved in a range of fun science activities in multi age groups. Activities will include electrical circuits, balloon rockets, invisible ink, magic flowers, borax pool to name just a few. Students will participate in these activities between 11.30am and 1.30pm and we welcome any parents who would like to come along and have a look. Following this session of science fun we will have a house lunch.

### NAPLAN Testing Thank You
Thank you and well done to all students and teachers in our Gr 3/5 area on their persistence and application to the testing procedures this week. Teachers have reported that students have handled the formal testing very well over the 3 days and are well placed to give their best. Well done.

### Notes Home This Week
- Receipts
- Bank books
NEW FYANS PARK PS ‘APP’ (Application)

‘Skoolbag’ provides schools with an easy and effective way to inform parents/carers of all things relating to our school by providing parents with a convenient way to receive school notifications and announcements.

No more lost paper in student school bags! School newsletters, school notices and alerts are all communicated directly to the parent’s smartphone through the Skoolbag Mobile App. The app communicates directly with iPhones, and all Android devices.

Stay tuned in the coming weeks as our Skoolbag App will be launched with further information for users. Feel free to look at the Skoolbag website: www.skoolbag.com.au

ART NEWS

The Grade 3-6 art students have been designing posters for the One Team, One Goal - Celebrating Diversity competition, helping students gain a better understanding of the importance of cultural diversity, and the harm that can be caused by bullying and intolerance.

All Victorian primary school students are invited to enter their poster reflecting these ideas of multiculturalism, teamwork and respect. The winning entry will be featured in the AFL Football Record. Schools of the winning entrant will receive a $5,000 grant, sports equipment and 50 tickets to a AFL Multicultural Round game. Each poster entry requires the student to write a short (70 words or less) online rationale for their poster.

Posters need to be submitted online and parents must agree to terms and conditions of the competition and sign an online privacy and consent form. If you would like your child’s poster to be entered into the competition the online information and links can be found at the One Team, One Goal - Dept of Education and Early Childhood Development site: www.education.vic.gov.au/pages/oneteam.aspx

The competition closes on Friday 23rd May. If your child wishes to enter their poster and is unable to do so online from home, please contact me and we will try to arrange for posters and copies of parent consent to be emailed from school.

Good luck to all students entering online, the standard of poster design has been fantastic!

Thanks for your support.

Anne Morell
Visual Arts Teacher
NAPLAN

Well done to the students who this week completed the annual NAPLAN tests in Language Conventions (spelling, grammar, punctuation), Writing, Reading and Numeracy. The results of this ‘snap shot’ of your learning journey will be available much later in the year.

Prep / Year 1 Maths

Last week, children in our Prep and Year 1 classes were learning about measurement and in particular length, width and height. We figured out that 10 millimetres makes a centimetre, and 100 centimetres makes 1 metre. We then had terrific fun measuring doors, heaters, corridors, windows and even Mr Nelson’s car!


National Walk Safely to School Day is an annual, national event when all primary school children will be encouraged to walk and commute safely to school. It is a community event seeking to promote road safety, health, public transport and the environment. Fyans Park Primary will celebrate this day on Wednesday, 21st May. On this day get mum and dad to leave the car at home and walk to school. Not only will you be helping the environment, you will be getting fit at the same time.

Book this morning walk in, as when you arrive to school Mr Fawkes will give you a beautiful, juicy orange or mandarin to eat. Oranges are perfect at the moment and they’re a great source of Vitamin C.

Thank you

Mr Nelson
Assistant Principal
STUDENT ABSENCES
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.

Coming home with this newsletter today are some blank absence forms. These are an easy way to advise your child’s teacher of the reason for their late arrival or absence.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY MATTERS
One aluminum can ending in the recycling bin compared to going to landfill saves enough electricity to power your TV for three hours in contrast to sourcing new raw materials from the mines.

LOST
A grey quilted ladies jacket was left in the Office after the Mothers Day Stall wrapping session. If this is yours please contact the Office.

SCHOOL YEARBOOK: Can you help?
We are currently looking for a team of enthusiastic people to help us produce the 2014 yearbook. Published annually, the yearbook captures the highlights of the year at Fyans Park and serves as a lasting memento for the family bookshelf.

Whiz-bang production skills are welcome but unnecessary! We will just work together as a team to produce the best yearbook we can. If you’re interested and willing to help out in any way, can you please let me know by the 23rd of May, by text or email. We can then get together to plan the best edition yet!

(Any great photos of school activities that you take during the year can also be sent to the email address below.)

Thanks, Chris Combridge

Tentative first meeting date: Tuesday, 3 June 2014 @ 8pm @ 14 Louis Court, Newtown
Ph: 0438 319 611   Email: christho1@bigpond.com

PARENTS ASSOCIATION NEWS
A reminder that there will be a PA meeting after drop off on Thursday the 22nd of May in the staff room. Anyone welcome.

Also, the PA have offered to help clean out the old staff room. Help is needed for a small amount of time on Thursday the 22nd of May at 2.30pm to create some usable space. Please meet at the library.

Thank you.

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MATTHEW FLINDERS GIRLS SECONDARY COLLEGE

2015 YEAR 7 ACCELERATED LEARNING PROGRAM (ALP)

APPLICATION FORMS: available on the College website
TESTING DATES: Wednesday May 21 from 4:00 pm - 6:40 pm
Wednesday June 4 from 4:00 pm - 6:40 pm

If you would like further information please contact
Greg Burgess, Accelerated Learning Program Manager.
Ph: 03 5221 8288   www.mfgsc.vic.edu.au   Fax: 03 5221 5920
ONE week to go

Final call to purchase your tickets and get your goodies to the office by Friday 16th May.

To those families who have generously donated so far
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

IMPORTANT INFO FOR THOSE ATTENDING THE AUCTION

The majority of items will be able to be paid for via our portable school EFTPOS machine on the night. There will be some small activities such as the raffle and bottle toss that will be best paid for by cash so please don’t forget to bring along cash on the night.

Some items up for grabs include: A night at Crown Metropol, gym memberships, Massage vouchers, Adventure Park tickets, café vouchers, a bottle of Penfolds Grange, Tickets to the Channel 9 Footy Show, Point Roadknight Holiday House for the weekend, Movie tickets, Tony Hawk Skateboard and loads more.

Contact Jules Broad on 5222 6721 or 0402353953 or broadcats@optusnet.com.au or see our lovely ladies in the office for any queries. Forms are available at the office to fill in when you donate your goodies or you can donate anonymously if you’d prefer.

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See you there for a fun night!
Hugh Van Cuylenburg, the founder of The Resilience Project, will be presenting to the Chilwell Primary School community on **Monday May 19th at 7pm** and we would like to extend the invitation to your school community.

The parent session is based on Barbara Fredrickson’s research that positive emotion builds our cognitive capacity. Parents will leave the highly engaging session with a list of strategies that will help them support the development of a resilient child at home. Using examples from his own family, and his time living in developing countries Hugh’s emotionally engaging presentation focuses on empathy, gratitude and mindfulness as well as Dr Karen Reivich’s learnable attributes of resilience.

Tickets for this session are available from the Chilwell Primary School office during office hours or phone 52212738 - **$20.00 each.**

**Ticket sales are limited so please get in early.**

Please visit this website for further information about Hugh and the Resilience Project:  http://theresilienceproject.com.au
BE A BUDDY, NOT A BULLY!

Hi Families,

This week in OSHC we have been focusing on what it means to be a good buddy. The children brainstormed their ideas and decided that to be a good buddy you need to be kind, thoughtful, friendly, nice, caring and you need to stick up for others. We also came up with 5 tips of what you could do if you witness bullying behavior. They are 1. Stay safe and never put yourself in danger. Only intervene if it is safe to do so. 2. If you feel it’s safe and have support, tell the person who is bullying to STOP and that it’s not OK. 3. If the behavior doesn’t stop, walk away- being a part of the audience is being a part of the problem. 4. Afterwards, talk to the child who was being bullied to make sure they’re OK. 5. Tell a teacher or other adult what you saw.

Over the next few weeks we will be having a variety of visitors into OSHC, I have organized for a friend of mine to come in and do some scouting activities with the children, another friend to do some dancing with us and Jessie has organized for her partner to come and do some fitness activities with us as well.

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 & Jessie

STAR OF THE WEEK: Rourke

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

Once registered
You can make bookings and cancellations, view your statements and manage your details anytime of the day.

Save on Care
Save 50% or more on Before and After School Care with the Child Care Rebate. Almost all families are eligible. To find out more call our Customer Service Team on 1300 105 343

Holiday Clubs
Don’t forget about the Camp Australia Holiday Clubs these school holidays. Use the Holiday Club Finder on the website to find the nearest program: www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs

Healthy Snacks
Afternoon tea is served daily. Menus are tailored to children’s tastes, developmental and nutritional needs. Afternoon tea includes a selection of yummy sandwiches and fruit. Children may also engage in fun cooking activities.

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