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Term Dates 2015

Term 3: 13 July to 18 September
PUPIL FREE DAY FRIDAY 14TH AUGUST
Term 4: 5 October to 18 December
PUPIL FREE DAY MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

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REMINDERS:

TUESDAY IS BANK DAY!

Dear Parents,

School Council

On Monday evening our School Council meeting for the month of August was held. As usual a range of correspondence, reports, budgets and issues were discussed which included:

- current enrolment of 280 children
- The School Wide Positive Behaviour Support Program – which involves developing a clear set of positive expectations and behaviours for students and common approaches to discipline for students and staff.
- Involvement in the HPV event (held in Cranbourne) on Saturday 10th October as an alternative to the RACV Energy Breakthrough Challenge
- MVCC Drop-Off Zones – Moonee Valley City Council are proposing school drop off zones in Watt Street. This is a

Don’t forget it’s BOOK WEEK Dress Up Day tomorrow!!!!!!!!!
We will be showing off our costumes at our 2:30pm Parade!

Parent Group News

Second Hand Uniform Stall
Please have a look at our second hand uniforms on Tuesday mornings from 9:00am at the Parent Group room.
Price range from $3 - $5.
program that seems to have worked at other schools

- Leading Lights Program. This is a program attended by five of our grade 5 students with Stef Ghiocas. The program focusses on cyber-safety, digital citizenship and accessing students as leaders in this area.

Please Be Mindful

Whilst teachers enjoy speaking to parents on a regular basis, we do ask you to be mindful of the fact that much preparation for the day’s teaching is done prior to school. From 8:45am our yards are supervised and this is the ideal time for students to have a run around and catch up with their friends. With this in mind, we ask that parents and students are not in classrooms from 8:45am onwards. This allows everyone to commence teaching at 9:00am. Please arrange to speak to your child’s teacher at a time convenient for you both.

Book Fair

Our annual Book Fair concludes tomorrow. The display is now packed up but the last day to place orders is tomorrow. Thanks to the many families who have visited to make purchases. Thank you to Tracey for organising the Book Fair for the school community. This is a great way to promote reading and something the students look forward to each year.

Sun Smart Policy

Parents are advised that the wearing of hats is compulsory from September 1st until April 30th each year. This covers the peak UV period in Victoria as stated by The Cancer Council. When students are outside during the school day, they must be wearing a wide brimmed or legionnaire hat. Hats may be of any colour.

Children without a hat will be asked to stay in the alcove during recess and lunchtimes and will not be allowed to play inter-school sport.

Please support the teachers in the implementation of this policy and remember that it is in the best interests of your children to be appropriately protected from harmful UV rays.

Chocolate Drive

Our Chocolate BEGINS ON MONDAY! Chocolates will be distributed to the eldest child in each family. This is our major fundraising effort for the year so we are hoping for the full support of our school community.

Each family will receive a carry pack containing items of Cadbury confectionary. You are asked to sell these items to friends, neighbours, relatives and work friends within a two week period.

If you have any questions or if you do not wish to participate in the chocolate drive or would like to make a donation instead please contact Sharon or Greg at the office.

2016 Enrolments

If you are still to enrol a child it would be appreciated if you could do so now. If anyone knows of children starting next year but not enrolled as yet please encourage the parents to do so by the end of this term.

Parents might be surprised to know that arrangements for 2016 have already commenced.

Father’s Day Stall

This year’s Father’s Day stall will take place on Friday 4th September. Children will have the opportunity to purchase gifts for Father’s Day ranging in price from $1.00 - $10.00.

The stall will commence at 9:00am. Please send children along with their own environmentally friendly green bag if possible.

*Helpers are needed to work on the stall from 9:00-11:00am.

Kind Regards,
Greg
Healthy Eating

Healthy eating has a long-lasting and positive impact on a child’s growth, development and health.

Foods eaten by your child at school contribute greatly to their daily nutrient intake. These foods considerably influence their eating habits, growth patterns, energy, concentration levels and ability to learn.

You have an important role to play in helping to ensure your child eats well and stays active.

Healthy school lunch ideas include:

- sandwiches or pita bread with cheese, lean meat or salad
- cheese slices, crackers with spread and fresh fruit
- washed and cut-up raw vegetables or fresh fruits
- frozen water or milk, particularly in hot weather

Highly processed, sugary, fatty and salty foods should only make up a very small part of your child’s diet. Foods to limit in school lunches include:

- processed meats such as salami and pressed chicken
- chips, sweet biscuits, muesli and breakfast bars
- fruit bars and fruit straps
- cordials, juices containing sugar and soft drinks

You must let your child’s school principal know if your child is allergic to particular foods.

Commonwealth Bank School Banking Update

Concerns have been raised regarding the ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ reward item due to the inclusion of four button batteries that can be accessed by unscrewing the back of the torch.

Whilst this reward has been independently tested and deemed to meet relevant product standards the Commonwealth Bank have made the decision to proactively withdraw this item from the School Banking Rewards Program.

Parents/Guardians are requested to dispose of any ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torches’ their child may have already received as part of the Rewards Program. Students who have previously received a ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ are welcome to redeem an alternative reward item.

We are seeking **prize donations** for our **Footy Day raffle**, which is happening on the last day of term 3. Anything football related (AFL, Soccer, Rugby etc) would be fantastic. 100% of funds raised go to Nick's Wish, a charity that supports children and families living with cancer at the Royal Children's Hospital. All donations to be sent to 5/6C. Thanks in advance,

Emma & Craig

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**Maths, Science and VCE Biology Tution**

**MATHS** - All grades  
**Science** - All grades  
**Biology** - Year 11 & 12  
For excellent results contact Ritu (Maths and Biology teacher at Secondary college) - 0415228589  
One on one or group tuition offered.

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**Chrissy’s Babysitting!!**  
Contact Chrissy 0411711959
Happy Hour

Friday the 21st of August from 3 – 4 pm

In the Alcove

Parent Group is asking for donations of food to sell from the parents of students in Grade 1/2 Tracey, which can include but are in no way limited to…

- Cakes
- Lolly Bags
- Biscuits
- Slices
- Muffins
- Cookies
- Donuts
- Popcorn
- Cupcakes

Please contact Jess Spring-Brown on 0409 490 353 if you need more information or you are available to help with sales, set-up or pack-up on the day.