FROM THE PRINCIPAL:
School Council Meeting:

At last week’s School Council there were six main discussion points:

1. Car parking. The need to get advice from the Shire (Traffic Engineer) regarding parking and traffic flow. Council would also like to see cars not parking in front of the gate on Cardinia Road and change the parking in the hall car park where it is just a pick up and drop off area on the school side of the parking area and to erect signs to encourage this.

2. To go with the School’s current Codes of Conduct for staff and students, a similar document be produced outlining a Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct. The drafts of these policies be produced for consideration by the school community and discussed at the next School Council Meeting.

3. That a new School “Facebook” page is developed and a policy around its use be ratified by School Council.

4. That we look at becoming a fully accredited Sun Smart School if the School community wishes to. It will mean that legionnaire or wide-brimmed hats would have to be worn at school, replacing the baseball style.

5. That we look at introducing Mandarin (Chinese) as an alternative second language into the school.

6. The final item being a review of the current Voluntary Fee and Booklist structure, ensuring that it is meeting the needs of the school.

It is hoped that we will be able to survey or get parental feedback on all of these issues prior to our October meeting so that Council can make informed decisions moving forward. Remember your point of view on any of these issues are important, so please provide your thoughts via the forthcoming survey that will be conducted prior to the end of Term.

Oval – Out of bounds:
The oval is extremely wet at the moment, with a lot of mud and puddles throughout the grassed area. As a result all children have been asked not to use this area until further notice. They can still have access to the netball court and the play equipment on the western side of the oval.
IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- PLEASE take care at all times in the Car Park areas. Caution and alertness needs to be uppermost in everyone’s minds when in these areas.
- It is very important that if any parent or friend of the school has any concerns, queries or problems regarding any aspect of the school to bring it to the attention of your child’s teacher or Allan straight away. Under no circumstance should parents/guardians approach other students in the school grounds.
- Students are reminded that the bringing of electronic games and other valuable items to school do so at their own risk. If such items are misplaced or damaged then the owners of such items are responsible for any cost incurred.
- Mobile phones and Ipods need to be handed into the office on arrival to school and then collected at the end of the day. Students don’t require these items during the normal school day.

THUMBS UP

- To Mrs Alderson for all her work in organising the swimming program this term. Very much appreciated by all concerned.
- To Blake Taylor who represented Victoria in all eight matches they played – taking out the Championship. A fabulous effort by Blake and Victoria.
- To Miss Dart’s Grade 5 Maths group for gaining recognition from Mathletics regarding their performance on this program so far this year.
- To all children who are really working on their attendance this semester. Fantastic to see 3 Grades having no absences last week.
- To all the parents, grandparents and family members who came along and supported the students at the Athletics competition last Wednesday. Fantastic to see you all there.
- To all the students who represented the School at the Athletics sports on Wednesday. A wonderful effort by all concerned.
- To Romi, Taylor, Poppy, Aimee, Mitchell, and Zoe who will be going to Sale on Friday the 6th of September to compete in the KidzRock Final – Talent Quest. We wish this dance troupe all the best in their endeavours.
- To the Sellers family for the Guinea pig tunnel – I’m sure they will love it.
- To our School Captains, Mitchell and Lucinda for coming along to School Council and sharing their thoughts and activities with members of School Council.
- To Tammey, Nick, Tahlee and Kade for the kind donation of sand for the sandpit. Just fantastic and all the kids really enjoy the nice new sand.
- To Sarah and for the fantastic donation of books – boxes of new and exciting novels that have been readily added to our library collection. Just an outstanding gift for our students.

Father’s Day Gifts

Yes, Father’s Day is fast approaching! This week all students will be putting the finishing touches to their extra special Father’s Day gifts. In order to cover the cost of materials, please pay $4 per student at the office as soon as possible. Father’s Day gifts will be sent home Thursday due to the Musical on Friday.
ITEMS THAT MIGHT BE OF INTEREST:

- **After School Care** is available each evening after school until 6.00 pm. The cost is between $4.00 and $8.00 per evening – depending on the rebates available to you. Taya, the co-ordinator of the program, will be only too happy to explain the program and take you through the enrolment process.

- The school is still involved with the Pakenham Bucks promotion being conducted by the Good Guys at Pakenham. If you are able to support these programs, it would be greatly appreciated. Currently, we have close to $500 in vouchers that we will be able to redeem in goods by the end of the year – which is just fantastic!

- **The Attendance Cup** for this week was a three-way split with Grade 6TE, 1C, and 2W. Well done guys and remember to keep up the fantastic attendance.

- Throughout Term 3, we will be having Mandarin Lessons available to students after school – each and every Tuesday evening from 3.45 to 5.00 pm. The cost per session is $10.00, but students will need to commit to the whole term. Further information please see Allan or Ann Pead.

- The Foundation Grades (Prep) are holding a **Fathers’ Day evening** tonight, Wednesday 28th August from 7.00 to 8.00 pm. Hope to see all the Fathers and/or significant other males in the lives of these students come along and join in the activities planned.
Swimming Program 2013
The school swimming program begins on Monday. Students will travel to the pool by bus in their class groupings. Teachers will be there to supervise and help change students if required. Parents, family or friends of the school are welcome to watch the children swim in their session. The times of the sessions and the allocated grades are below. If you require any further information or have any queries please don’t hesitate to see Liz, Allan or Virginia. Happy swimming!!!!

Session 1
Grades: 1C, Grade 3A and Grade 5D & Hayley
Times: Leave school at 9.30
Swimming lesson at 10 - 10.45
Return to school by 11 ish

Session 2
Grades: Grade 1H, Grade 3E and Grade 4K
Times: Leave school at 10.10
Swimming lesson at 10.45-11.30
Return to school by 12 ish

Session 3
Grades: Foundation A, Grade 2W and Grade 5C
PLUS: Mitchell, Teyah, Teagan, Krista, Bailey, Nicola & Mikaela
Times: Leave at 11.15
Swimming lesson at 11.45-12.30
Return to school by 1 ish

Session 4
Grades: Foundation M, Grade 2B and Grade 6
Times: Leave school at 12.00
Swimming lesson at 12.30 -1.15
Return to school by 2 ish

KooWeeRup Musical
This Friday the whole school will be travelling to KooWeeRup Secondary College to watch the Musical Annie. This is a great opportunity for students to visit the Secondary School and witness a live performance. The musicals put on by the College are usually fantastic and well appreciated by the students, staff and parents.
We will be leaving school at 10.00 am for a 10.30 start for the performance. It is expected that the Show will conclude at approximately 12.30pm and then we will return to school by 1pm for the afternoon session.

Students who are going directly to the college will need to be at the College by 10.15am. Parents are welcome to attend the show. Look forward to seeing you all on Friday at Annie.
Facebook
After a discussion at School Council regarding the Facebook Group for our school, we are looking at setting up a Facebook page to communicate with the School Community. We are hoping to start this shortly on a trial basis with the rules and regulations for use displayed on the site as well as on our school website and in the newsletter. Parents will be informed via the newsletter and email that the page is set up and you can ‘like’ it to receive updates on our wonderful school. We are hoping to use this form of social media as another form of communication and to help enhance the wonderful community we have at Cardinia.

Foundation, Grade 1 and Grade 2 Open Afternoon
Parents are invited to come along next Thursday 5th September between 2:30-3:30 to experience a Rich Task session with their child. Come along and see what they are making, learning and experiencing during their Rich Task sessions (and how much fun we have!)

BOOK CLUB
A reminder for students in grades foundation to grade 2 you need to read 30 books (10 free choice and 20 from the Premier’s list) and students in grades 3 to 6 you need to read 15 (5 free choice and 10 from the Premier’s list).

The challenge closes September 6. Next week is the last week to enter your books online. If you have any problems or want to ask any questions please come and see me after school in the Grade 3P classroom.

Thanks
Anne Preston

I have a few pieces of furniture (bookcase, bedside draws, wine storage, and cupboard/shelf)
Please see Jodie Mattingley if you are interested.

Thank you to Woolworths Lakeside for their support of the Father’s Day Evening in Foundation this week.
Last Wednesday our Grades 3-6 headed to the fantastic facilities at the Casey Fields Athletics Track.

All the team should be proud of how they represented the school at the event and a big thanks to all the staff and parents who supported the team.

The following students made it to the next stage which will be held at Casey Fields on Wednesday 18th September.

100m - 12/13 yr - Shawna
800m - 9/10yrs - Ossie
1500m - 9/10yrs - Ossie
1500m - 11yr - Lily
Discus - 9/10yrs - Romi
Hurdles - 9/10 - Romi
High Jump - 9/10yrs - Tiernan
4x100m relay 9/10yrs - Jack
Brad
Blake
Ossie

200m - 11yrs - Lily
800m - 11yrs - Ashley
Long Jump - 12/13 - Shawna
Triple Jump - 9/10yrs - Daizy & Brad
Discus - 12/13 - Trent
Triple Jump - 11yrs - Ashlee
Shot Put - 11yrs - Brad
Shot Put - 9/10 - Brad

PLEASE NOTE

Just a reminder for those families attending Camp Rumbug the first payment of $100 is due this Friday 30th August. Please pay $100 to the office on or before this date.

BELEZA Uniform Shop in Pakenham is now open from 10am – 1pm on Saturday mornings.
FREE One day and Two day Workshop and Information Sessions for PARENTS/CARERS of school age students on the autism spectrum

The Positive Partnerships initiatives have been developed and delivered by Partnerships between Education and the Autism Community (PEAC) and funded by the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations through the Helping Children with Autism package.

What will PARENTS/CARERS LEARN?
- a greater understanding of the impact of autism both at school and at home
- knowledge about how to develop effective parent, school and teacher partnerships
- information about local school system's processes
- opportunities to network and share strategies with other parents/carers and key community members
- opportunities for discussion around a range of topics relevant to students with an ASD and their families

Some key community representatives that support families living with autism will be identified and invited to participate in the workshop with a view to supporting a community focus beyond the workshop.

To see if there is a Workshop location near our school visit the website www.positivepartnerships.com.au. If you are not able to attend a workshop the website has FREE resources, interactive modules and information about autism.

Positive Partnerships Workshop Information Line number: 1300 881 971

BOOK CLUB NEWS

The latest Book Club brochures have been received. They are in the office if you would like to look at them. There are some great books in the catalogue.

Please make sure that any orders placed are received at the office by close of business Monday 2nd September together with payment. This will ensure that orders are placed with Scholastic by their due date and are delivered to the school quickly.
Pakenham Girl Guides

Fundraising

Trivia Night

When: Saturday 7th September 7:30pm for a 8:00pm start
Where: Pakenham Girl Guide Hall 31 Henry Street Pakenham
Cost: $10 per head plus spending money for our silent auctions and competitions
Bring: Your friends, your thinking caps, drinks and nibbles
Please note: This is an adult's only evening so please don't forget to book the baby sitter
Supper provided

You may go home with all sorts of goodies such as jewelry, car sensors, swarovski crystal even a blow up boat!
Perhaps a voucher for a massage, car detailing or a movie may appeal?
Who can resist an opportunity to take home a chocolate and lolly hamper, or a coffee plunger and coffee hamper?
Spot prizes and game prizes

All proceeds to Pakenham Support Group to replenish the account after the kitchen renovation.

Tickets will be available at the door
Bookings and enquiries to Sonya Boloski
0418367831
The school is starting the Shine Assist Program. It is a counselling program where a psychologist (from Ozchild) comes to the school to work with individual Children. Please read the above flyer if you think your child could benefit from such support. Then discuss your concerns with your class teacher, Kaye or Allan to decide whether a referral is needed.
WHOLE SCHOOL SLEEPOVER

It is extremely important that all children attending complete the “Confidential Medical Information” form for this activity. A separate form must be completed for each child participating.

Program Outline (may be subject to change)

Thursday 19th September

3.30 – 5.30pm Planned Activities for students who aren’t going home after school (teacher organised & run)
5.30 – 6.30pm BBQ Tea – Sausage Sizzle, Cordial and Ice-cream
6.30 – 7.30 pm Disco Grades F – 2.
Quiet activity for those not wishing to attend the Disco
   Games Gr 3 – 6
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7.30 – 9.00 pm Disco Gr 3 -6
9.00 – 10.30 pm Bed Gr F – 2
10.30pm Bed Gr 3 - 6

Friday 20th September

7.30 am Breakfast
8.30 am Wake Up Aerobics
9.00 – 12.00 pm Activity Rotations, including Pancake Morning Tea
12.00 – 12.30 pm Lunch – Salad Sandwiches
12.30 – 1.30 pm Free Time
1.30 – 2.30 pm Quiet Time and Movie
2.30 pm Dismissal – Students will be dismissed from the Senior Learning Centre

Children will need to bring:
* Sleeping Bag  * Pillow  * Favourite Teddy  * Pyjamas or other appropriate sleep wear  * Slippers
* Change of Clothes for Friday  * Bowl, Mug & Spoon

All items should be clearly named.

If your child requires any medication, please make sure you deliver it to the Office when you drop off your child, and remember to get it from the Office when you pick them up!

Students will be sleeping in the following rooms:

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When they arrive at school students should go to their allocated room and set up their bed before heading out to play before tea. There will be a teacher in each area to supervise the setting up of beds and answer any questions you might have.
Excursion Title: 2013 Whole School Sleepover

Educational Purpose: A highlight of every school year is the Whole School Sleepover. The children look forward to this event, which is a valuable precursor to the Whole School Camp late in Term 4.

Destination: Cardinia Primary School, Ballarto Road Cardinia.

Date: Thursday 19th September 2013 & Friday 20th September 2013

Arrival Time: 5.30pm Thursday 19th September

Dismissal Time: 2.30pm on Friday 20th September

Cost: $6.00 per child

Teacher In Charge: Allan Armstrong

I have read all of the above information provided by the school in relation to the Excursion including any attached material.

My child .......................................................... (full name) in Grade ..................

(please tick relevant boxes)

☐ Will be attending the Whole School Sleepover on the 19th /20th September at a cost of $6.00 per child.

Please turn this form over and complete the Confidential Medical Information.

☐ Will be attending the Afternoon Activities from 3.30pm to 5.30pm prior to the Whole School Sleepover.

Students will need to bring a snack along for after school. Their bedding /belongings can be placed in the Technology Room on Thursday morning.

☐ Will be attending the Whole School Sleepover for Dinner and the disco only and I will pick them up at 7.30pm (gr f-2) or 9.00pm (gr 3-6).

☐ Will not be attending the Whole School Sleepover.

Parent/Guardian Name: 

Parent/Guardian Signature: 

Date: 

**Please return this form by Thursday 12th September 2013**
CONFIDENTIAL MEDICAL INFORMATION FOR 2013 WHOLE SCHOOL SLEEPOVER

Confidential Medical Information for School Council approved School Excursions
(Please complete and return as soon as possible)

This information is intended to assist the school in case of any medical emergency with your child. All information is held in confidence.

Child's Name: .................................................................
Date of Birth: .................................................................

Parent's/Guardian's Full Name: .................................................................
Address: ..................................................................................................

Emergency Telephone: .................................................................
After Hours: ........................................................................................
Name and Address of Family Doctor: .................................................................
Medicare No: ........................................................................................
Medical/Hospital Insurance Fund: .................................................................
Contribution No: ..................................................................................

Please tick if your child suffers any of the following:

   ± Bed wetting    ± Fits of any type    ± Heart condition    ± Asthma
   ± Diabetes       ± Dizzy spells       ± Sleepwalking
   ± Blackouts      ± Migraine          ± Travel sickness
   Other: .................................................................

Allergies to:
Penicillin: ..................................................................................
Other drugs: ..................................................................................

Any foods: ..................................................................................
Other: ..................................................................................

What special care is recommended? .................................................................

Tetanus Immunisation - Year of last tetanus immunisation ............(Tetanus immunisation is normally given at five years of age [as Triple Antigen or CDT] and at fifteen years of age [as ADT])

Tablets and Medicines - Is your child presently taking tablets and/or medicine? YES/NO
IF YES, please state name of medication, dosage etc .................................................................

All medication must be handed to the teacher in charge prior to leaving. All containers must be labelled with your child's name, the dose to be taken and when it should be taken. (These will be kept in the first-aid centre and distributed as required). If it is necessary or appropriate for your child to carry their own medication (for example, asthma puffers and insulin for diabetes) it must be with the knowledge and approval of both the teacher in charge and yourself.

Previous Experience - Is this the first time your child has been away from home? YES/NO

CONSENT TO MEDICAL ATTENTION

Where the teacher in charge of the excursion is unable to contact me, or it is otherwise impracticable to contact me, I authorise the teacher in charge to:
• consent to my child receiving such medical or surgical attention as may be deemed necessary by a medical practitioner,
• administer such first-aid as the teacher in charge may judge to be reasonably necessary.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: .................................................................
Date: ........................................................................................

The Department of Education requires this consent to be signed for all students attending school excursions.

Note: Parents/guardians should provide written approval prior to their child taking part in any excursion.