FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As we enter the Summer period and the fire-season will shortly be upon us I would like to remind everyone of the Policy around Code Red Days. On extreme Fire Danger Days the Bureau of Meteorology will issue "Code Red Days". Schools that are listed on "Bushfire At Risk Register" will be closed on such days. Cardinia Primary is NOT on this Register and as a result will remain open and operate as usual. However Parents and Guardians are welcome to to make their own decision as to whether or not to send their children to school on such days taking into consideration their personal situation, residential location and their Fire Plan.

The Education Department has announced changes to the Conveyancy Regulations that will come into effect at the start of the 2013. The Department has reviewed the Urban Growth boundary and as a result a number of areas and students attending schools will no longer be eligible. Students attending Cardinia Primary and who have previously meet the criteria for this allowance, will continue to receive the Conveyancy Allowance.

On Sunday the 11th of November the RSL of KooWeeRup will be conducting their Rememberance Day Ceremony commencing at 10.45 am at the Community Centre KooWeeRup. This year Peter Farmer (Grade 6) will be receiving the RSL Citizenship Award for Cardinia Primary School. We congratulate Peter on this achievement and he is a very worthy winner of this award.

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**Dates to Remember**

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• 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.

• Anyone wishing to put an item in the newsletter is asked to send it as an email to cardinia.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au by Tuesday evening.

• 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.

• Deb Beale the School Chaplain is available on a weekly basis to support children, parents or families in a wide variety of areas. Please feel free to contact Deb or the school if you would like to use this service. Deb is in attendance every second Thursday and every Wednesday of the month this Term.

THUMBS UP

 рол To Georgette Wachal for putting out our recycling bin on Sunday for collection. Thank you Georgette for your efforts.

 рол To the Grade Five students who presented their School Captain speeches at assembly on Monday. A fantastic job by Josh B, Krista, Tyler and Mikaela.

 рол To all the students who supported the “Wacky Wear Day” on Friday - $253 was raised to go towards our sponsor child Filimon Tsiwa. A fantastic effort.

 рол To Grade 1C and 2A who tied for the Mrs Smith Attendance award this week. A fantastic achievement from these two grades.

 рол To Peter Farmer who has been selected for the KooWeeRup RSL Citizenship Award for 2012. Peter will receive his award at the Remembrance Day Ceremony on Sunday the 11th November.

 рол To Miss Dart for all the work she is putting into organising and finalising this year’s camp to Melbourne. A terrific job.

 рол To our volunteer gardeners who come in each week and keep things in order for us. Well done guys!

 рол To the Grade 1 students who are really doing a fantastic job with their reading and are so proud of their achievements.

 рол To all the students who willingly pick up papers and help around the school. Particularly the Grade 6 students who are always lending a helping hand.

Slip Slop Slap:

During Fourth Term and First Term all students and staff are expected to wear a hat while outside at recess, lunchtime and during sport or other outdoor activities. Children who are not wearing a hat at these times will be expected to play in a shaded area around the school and will not participate in sport or outdoor class activities. Children are also asked to remember to apply sun screen before coming to school and to re-apply, if necessary, during the day from the lotion contained in the First Aid room. If your child is allergic to certain types of sunscreen can you please inform the office and your child’s teacher. Every ones co-operation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Online Safety Strategy

eSmart is a cybersafety and cyberbullying system developed by The Alannah and Madeline Foundation (who also developed the Better Buddies Program we run). It assists school communities to promote the safe, smart and responsible use of digital technologies, manage cybersafety and deal with cyberbullying and bullying. It is expected that every school will commence eSmart by the end of 2013.

Here is the website if parents would like to visit www.esmart.org.au. It provides lots of useful strategies, resources, tools and case studies about keeping safe online and safe use of Facebook, Twitter, etc.
Kooweerup Secondary College Transition Day

On Monday 12th November, our grade six students who are attending Kooweerup Secondary College next year are required to attend Transition Day. On the day, they should be travelling to school using the method of transport they will use next year.

Students will meet at the gazebo behind the front building at 9am, wearing their Cardinia Primary School uniform, with runners, as they will be doing practical subjects. They also need to bring their pencil case and lunch, or some money to place a lunch order.

Please contact Mrs Chidlow if you need any more information.

POPPY APPEAL

The school currently has wrist bands and “Poppies ”for sale that children parents or friends of the school can purchase and thus play their part in commemorating Rememberance Day and support the valuable work carried out by the RSL. Prices range from $2.00 to $5.00 and these items can be purchased from the office or the School Captains.

SCHOOL CAPTAIN SPEECHES

School Captain speeches are to be conducted at assembly in the following weeks.

NO SPEECHES TO HAPPEN DURING MELBOURNE CUP WEEK

Monday 12th November
- Hayley W
- Nicola S
- Rhiannon B
- Blake T
- Mitchell A

Monday 19th November
- Teagan T
- Tahlee M
- Lucinda M
- Jacob G
- Trent P
- Adrian G

HISTORY PERFORMANCE

As a part of our Australian Studies, Grade 2 – 6 were able to participate in “An Amazing, Hysterical History of Australia” on October 19th.
Students spent a hour learning about important events through Australia’s history. Students were thoroughly engaged and entertained by the comedy duo, as they made their way through from settlement to the present.
CAMP 2012
Camp is fast approaching. Students attending camp will have received the final
permission note and medical form for camp. This must be completed and returned as
soon as possible.
The cost of camp for the full week is $320.00. So far payments of $150 have been
requested for each student attending camp. The full camp payment is to be paid prior to
departure for camp on Monday 26\textsuperscript{th} November. The itinerary for camp and a “bring list”
have also been distributed. If you require another copy, they are available at the office.
A final camp meeting will be held in the BER Building on Monday 19\textsuperscript{th} November
regarding final camp arrangements and medicine.
If you have any other questions do not hesitate to come and see me.

Thanks
Jess.

ELLIE COLE – PARALYMPIAN GOLD MEDALIST
Cardinia Primary School was fortunate to have Ellie come to share some of her experiences and
inspiration.
The students enjoyed Ellie’s stories and had the opportunity to see and hold a Gold medal.
We thank Courtney Smith, a student teacher from Grade 6 who organised this for us.
Good Vision for Life

Did you know that along with allergies and asthma, eye disorders are the most common long term health problems experienced by children? Good vision is important for educational, physical and social development and to help young people reach their full learning potential.

Many young people experience undetected vision problems as they often assume that how they see is normal. The good news is that once detected, most eye problems are easy to correct. Incorporating regular eye examinations into your general health routine – just like visits to the dentist - can help to detect vision problems as well as other eye conditions that can threaten the health of eyes.

Signs your child may have a problem with their eyes include:

- Complaints of headaches or sore eyes
- A turned eye, red or watery eyes, and frequent blinking
- Delayed progress in reading ability
- Poor hand-eye coordination
- Skipping lines, losing their place or omitting words when reading
- Sensitivity to light
- Squinting when reading or watching television
- Difficulty recognising familiar people in the distance
- Difficulty concentrating.

Children’s eyes should be checked regularly throughout their school life, and immediately upon noticing any problems with their eyes or vision. You can see an optometrist without referral from a doctor, and most consultations attract a Medicare rebate. Visit www.optometrists.asn.au for more information on the things you can do to protect your eyes and to search for an optometrist in your area.
MEAL DEAL

This week’s Meal Deal is a Roast Chicken Roll and a Lamington, all for the small payment of $3.00.

Please make sure the bag is clearly labelled with your child’s name and class. This makes the delivery of your child’s lunch so much easier for our mums who assist with this fund raising activity.

If you would like to help out Karen and her team of helpers please don’t hesitate to see Karen or Virginia who will happily utilise your talents in the kitchen on a Thursday. If you can only help out for a small part of the day or just once a term it doesn’t matter. Every little bit of assistance will be graciously accepted and appreciated by everyone concerned.

GARAGE SALE

On Sunday 4th November at 3 Victoria Place, Pakenham. 8.00am til late.

THANK YOU CARDINIA

Last Friday we had our Junior School Council “Wacky Wear and Hair Day” and what a success. We raised $253 which will help Filamon and his family for up to three months. It was an amazing site at school when everyone took their time to dress up. Thank you everyone for your support.

Thank you
Junior School Council

Filimon Tsiwa
WACKY WEAR DAY
Cardinia Autism Support for Parents

Are you the parent of a child with an autism spectrum disorder?

Do you sometimes feel overwhelmed by your child’s behaviour, or other people’s lack of understanding or tolerance?
Do you have other children who are affected by your ASD child?
Are you comfortable being your ASD child’s advocate through school?
Do you know what support is available for all members of your family?

Come and Share your experiences and ideas in a support group for carers and parents of children with ASD

Facilitated by Delia Forrest. Delia has a wealth of experience and training, in working with students with autism spectrum disorders and their families. She established and taught in an ASD unit within a school, and has mentored mainstream and special school teachers in dealing with students with autism.

When: Every second Friday 9.30am to 11.30am

November 9th and 23rd

December 7th

Where: Cardinia Primary School

Enquiries to: Delia Forrest - 9705 3903