DATES TO REMEMBER:

Thursday 24th July
Meal Deal this week is a Hot Dog and Jelly - $4.00
After School Chinese Classes commence for Term 3
New participants more than welcome. For further information please contact the office.

Tuesday 29th July
Foundation, Grade 1 and Grade 2 Excursion to Melbourne Museum and IMAX 3D Movie.
All students need to be at school, ready to go by 8.30am.

Friday 1st August
Swamp Network Curriculum Day – Pupils don’t attend school on this day.

Tuesday 5th August
Pyjama Day – Whole School – Gold Coin donation

Wednesday 20th August
Second Foundation Transition Day for our 2015 Intake of students (2.00pm – 3.15pm)
Inter-School Athletics for Grades 3-6 at Casey Fields
School Council Meeting – 7.30pm in the Staffroom All Welcome.

Thursday 21st & Friday 22nd August
Cardinia Primary School Art Show – 3.45pm – 7.00pm
Cardinia Primary School – Show Day Friday 22nd August

Friday 29th August
KooWeeRup Secondary College Musical – Hair Spray

Monday 1st – Friday 12th September
Start of Whole School intensive Swimming Program (10 sessions)

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:
Firstly, I’d like to express my deep appreciation to Gino Massa for his efforts on the weekend to repair the Hall Car Park. Many a car was in danger of disappearing into one of the many potholes and now it’s smooth sailing for everyone who uses this area. We are indeed indebted to Gino’s generosity for carrying out this work and once again it is a fine example of the support and assistance that the school receives from members of its community.

Another example of this fantastic support was the removal of a gigantic tree trunk that blocked access to the Church car park. One of our parents David Glover and long-time supporter of the school Rudy de Jong spent a lot of time clearing this tree away. Again, on behalf of the school, I thank them for their endeavours and anyone else who supported them in this task. As a community we are indeed fortunate to have such supportive members.

HAIR SPRAY:
KooWeeRup Secondary College once again this year is putting on a School Musical, which we have been invited to attend. This year’s production is Hair Spray and as a whole school we will be attending this performance on Friday 29th of August. Attending the musical is one of the very traditional activities that Cardinia Primary School has always been involved in. It is a great opportunity for children to see a live performance and appreciate what Secondary School might have to offer them. Parents are more than welcome to attend this performance with us on the day.
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.

THUMBS UP

➢ To Gino Massa for levelling the Hall car park area and filling in all those holes on the weekend. Greatly appreciated by everyone who uses this parking area.
➢ To Mrs Wood who celebrated a very important birthday last week. Lots of flowers and best wishes from everyone.
➢ To Mel for the great job she is doing with Playgroup since taking over this role last term. Lots of activities and plenty of cooking.
➢ To our presenter of the Jelly Beans program Lindsay who got off to a great start last week with the children. Plenty of recorder practice taking place.
➢ To all the children who are producing some very special pieces for the Art Show that is coming up on the 22nd and 23rd of August.
➢ To Mrs Smith who is busily making 13 cushions to be auctioned off, as part of the Art Show. Some of the finished products are on display in the staffroom already. Just fantastic!
➢ To Pat for all her efforts in running and organising the delivery of all those lollies as part of the Parent’s Club fundraising activities. We are extremely grateful for all of your efforts. THANK YOU!
➢ To Nicole Palombieri for her generous donation of Ticket Tokens in preparation for our Show Day. Thank you Nicole!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

This Week’s Meal Deal is a delicious Hot Dog and the famous Jelly in a Cup.

Please Note: Meal Deals are now $4.00.

BACK TO THE FUTURE

On the 21st and 22nd of August the School is embarking on the reintroduction of one of the school’s most celebrated events the Cardinia Primary School Show Day. It will be a slightly different format and will commence on the evening of the 21st of August when children’s art work will be on display in the BER Building. Each piece of work will be on sale for $5.00 and parents and friends of the school will be invited to view the display and range of Art Work on Thursday 21st of August between 3.45pm to 7.00 pm. The works will remain on display until the end of Friday the 22nd. Admittance to the Art Show will be a Gold Coin Donation per family.

On the Friday, children (in Buddy Groups) will organise various sideshows, such as Apple Bobbing, Stretch the Snake, How Many lollies in the Jar, Face Painting etc. They will both run their own sideshow, and visit others, and have a go at the various activities on offer. Following the end of the Sideshows students will then attend a Talent Quest where children will present to the audience a range of acts. Awards will be presented to the best performances. Auditions for the Talent Quest will take place prior to the day and will be restricted to 15-20 acts from across all grade levels.

We encourage all parents and friends to join us in these events to both raise funds for the school and to promote the Arts that takes place across the school.

Mrs Smith is busy creating some fantastic cushions (for each grade) that will be auctioned off as part of this event using the Silent Auction method.
Friendly Reminders to all Parents and Friends of Cardinia Primary School:

When parking on Cardinia Road – school side please park as close as possible to the bollards and barrier. Children and parents need to use the designated pathway between the new fence and bollards.

It is important that children arrive punctually at school, 5 – 10 minutes before bell time in the mornings so that their day can commence on time and in a casual manner.

Cardinia Road and the front of the Hall car park are available for parents to park and pick up students, or there are limited spaces in the Church Car park located off Dalmore Road, but please don’t park on the nature strip or block the driveways in this area.

It is School policy that all students need to be collected by an adult, at the end of the day, to avoid an accident from occurring in these congested areas, which can get very hectic at the end of the day for 15-20 minutes. Your assistance, patience and understanding in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Parents and Friends of students are reminded that smoking and the consumption of alcohol are not permitted on school grounds or when participating in school activities when students are present.

How do I raise an issue or make a complaint?

It is very important for any school to know if any families or individuals have any concerns about the school their child/ren are attending so that the issue can be addressed, misconceptions corrected or issues followed up. Cardinia Primary School is no different and it’s important that such concerns are taken to the school directly and that the school should always be the first point of contact. We need to know if you have any concerns about your child’s education or well-being. Teaching and learning works best when parents and teachers talk to each other and work together to solve any problems.

When contacting the school:

- Plan what you want to say, so you can clearly explain what the problem is. (You might want to take notes)
- Have some ideas as to how the problem could be solved.
- Talk about the problem with your child’s teacher/s or principal by telephone or organise a face to face meeting. Most problems can be solved this way.
- If you still have a concern after talking to your child’s teacher/s you need to speak to the principal.
- Remember you can be supported at any meeting by a friend, colleague or representative from a support organisation if you wish.

Parent Payment Policy

The School has in place a Parent Payment Policy that outlines how School Council will supplement Government funds received with contributions from parents. The Parent Payment Policy may be viewed on the School’s website (under the ‘About Us’ tab) or a copy may be obtained from the School Office.
CAMP 2014 - CAMP KANGAROOBIE

Camp is running from 17th-21st November, at Kangaroobie, in Princetown. Cost will be $330 per student.

There are still a few places available for school camp this year! If you would like your child to attend, please see the office for an Expression of Interest form.

$50 deposits are overdue and must be paid if your child/ren is wanting to attend. This $50 will secure your child’s place for camp so please make this payment as soon as possible. Permission forms and additional information are being sent home today.

Corresponding with Staff via Email

With e-mail increasingly being used for correspondence between school staff and parents, please be aware that in the interest of work life balance, we will only respond to work related emails between the hours of 8.30am and 5.00pm Monday to Friday.

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation in this matter.

LOLLY DRIVE!

Thank you to all our families and friends who supported our recent Lolly Drive. Because of your orders we raised approximately $1377.60 for the school.

Special thanks to Patricia Lemmens and Phil Ellery who organised, collated and collected our lollies and chocolates. Thanks for all your hard work!

DRY JULY

Hi everyone. My husband, Roger and I have joined up with ‘Dry July’ which means no alcohol for a month! Some days are harder than others!!

This is a fundraiser to help support people with cancer. If anyone would like to support us by making a donation, please go to au.dryjuly.com and search for ‘team smithy’. Our donations are going to the Royal Melbourne Hospital.
From the Office!

Family Statement Reminders are being sent home this week. If there is a – sign and an amount showing, this means you are in credit for that amount. For example, -$380 means you are in credit $380. If you need to organise a payment plan you can speak to either Virginia or Allan. Also you can now pay using BPAY.

Please note that any payments received on or after Friday 18th July will not be included in your total so please take that into account if you have sent funds through this week.

Liz Watson & Ahmed Kelly

Last Friday Grade Five and Six students were fortunate enough to have Liz Watson and Ahmed Kelly visit them to talk about goal setting, motivation and healthy living.

Liz Watson was fortunate enough to make her debut this season with Vixens. After training hard, she was chosen to be part of the main squad and has been an important member of the team since.

Ahmed has no hands or feet he has represented Australia at the London Paralympics in swimming. Ahmed has also played underage football and, academically, he’s completed his VCE and is now at university.

It was great listening to both these experienced athletes and showed us that with determination, anything is possible.

FOUNDATION MELBOURNE MUSEUM/IMAX EXCURSION

Next Tuesday the 29th July our Junior School is off to the Melbourne Museum and IMAX ‘Under the Sea’ 3D Movie.

Please ensure students are at school by 8.30am ready to depart at 8.45am. They will arrive back at school at approximately 3.30pm for normal pick up.

The cost is $22 per student and your money together with the permission form must be returned to school as soon as possible.
VCOP and Big Write

Students across the school have been working hard during their weekly VCOP and Big Write. Remember, V stands for vocabulary; C stands for connectives, O stands for openers and P stands for punctuation.

A CONNECTIVE is a word in the middle of a sentence that joins two pieces of information together, to make a more detailed sentence. Connectives include and, so, but, because and then - to name only a few.

Can you spot any connectives in the writing samples below? These were written by 3P students, who had to write a recount about the best party they had ever been to. Enjoy!

The Best Party Ever

Black and white was the theme for Relly’s 40th.

We were all dressed up nicely, the sun was shining and we were ready to take some photos. Then suddenly it started to spit rain and it was windy. We rushed to get a family photo. This is meant to be Queensland but it was freezing. Anyway we sprinted back to the car then drove back to Relly’s house. Then it was time to start the party. Later on we had cake. I was waiting in excitement then it came out. I looked at it in awe. Then I tasted it, it was scrumptious. It was the best cake ever.

I played hide and seek with my cousins, I also watched Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs and 2012. I went to bed late. It was the best party ever.

By Jehi

The Best Party Ever!!!

When I woke up I got ready for my sister’s birthday. We waited at McDonalds so we could pick up Brianna, Romi and Taylah. We went straight home so we could have some lunch, then we had some cake. Mum said to us “let’s go out for dinner”. We went to the pub for dinner, we had been there for 10 minutes and then a pink limo showed up. A man said “Whose birthday is it?” and we said “Poppy’s”. Then man said get in the limo so Poppy got in and then the rest of us got in. Everything was light pink. We got to sing, have pink lemonade and we got to have some stale lollies. Then we were singing with the windows open.

Being in the limo made me excited and I felt like a rock star. We went back to the pub and got in our car. We took Romi home, and Brianna and Taylah slept over at our house. It was the best party ever.

By Charli
My teacher said “I hope you have a great weekend”, I walked out the door and I waited for my friends then I sprinted out to mum. I was so excited because it was my party. I invited Jess, Charlotte C, Chan, Jolie and Matylda.

We went back to my house and had something to eat. After that, mum did all of our nails. We all had a colour with black dots and glow in the dark. After that everyone got their disco clothes on. Then we had the disco. During the disco we played limbo. When we stopped we went and hopped in a beanbag or on the couch. We watched a movie called Run-away Vacation RV. When that finished we got all the beds out. I slept next to Chan and Jess. Jess and I had all our fingers under the blanket moving them. It was freaky.

When we woke up in the morning we had pancakes for breakfast. After that we went out to the hay bales. At ten o’clock their mum or dad came and picked them up. I felt disappointed when they all left. It was the best party ever.

By Daley

**The Best Party Ever**

I went to Kemizos. It was Jehi’s birthday. We went on rollerblades. I was bad at first and then we went to get some food. We had hot chips and pizza. Then we had enough. Next was laser tag, I came second. There were other things like rock climbing and arcade games, like basketball. We had to put money, like $5, on our cards.

The next day my brother wanted to go back. He wanted to go on the rollerblades. We wanted to do laser tag, but there were not enough people.

By Keighan

**SCHOOL SWIMMING PROGRAM**

Commencing on Monday 1st September each class will have the opportunity to have swimming lessons at the YMCA Cardinia Life Stadium in Pakenham. Permission forms have been sent home today and the cost will be $102 per student. Please complete and return these forms to the school office together with your payment. If you are wanting to pay the cost of swimming over time via BPAY you can see Virginia or Sue in the office for more details.
My Nephew needs your help

On the Queen’s Birthday this year my brother, Melina’s Uncle got the phone no parent ever wants to get. My nephew’s mate rang them to tell them that he had had an accident at the Frankston Motor Cross Track and couldn’t feel his legs. That very moment our family’s lives changed for ever.

By the time my mum and I got to the Alfred Hospital my nephew was already in surgery. We sat and hoped for the best outcome, without HOPE we had nothing. In the very early hours the next morning the Surgeon came and told us the news we all hoped he wouldn’t say. He said that Bodie had broken his T5 and T6 and that they had to fuse from his T3 to T8. His spinal cord was also very damaged and he had no feeling below his chest.

I love and care for my nephew with all my heart and the hardest moment for me was the sound of my older brother and sister-in-law crying. That sound rings in my ear every day because I know their hearts break and there was nothing I could do to make it better.

From that moment I knew I had a job to do to help my family. There is a long road of recovery ahead for Bodie and it is going to come at a high cost while my brother and sister-in-law are doing everything they can working long hours and spend every free moment they can with Bodie. I knew I had to make things easier for them so am going to make sure they have the money they need to pay for the recovery he needs.

This is where you can help. At the office I have placed a donation tin and some wristbands that we are selling for $5.00 each. 100% of all the Money is going to the Bodie Tattam Foundation.

You can keep updated on his recovery by join the Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/bodietattamfoundation?fref=ts
and all upcoming fundraising events will be on this page also

Thank you so much for your Time
Kym Britton aka Melina’s Mum.