DATES TO REMEMBER

February:

- **Thursday 12th** -
  Swimming Trials for inter-school swimming carnival. Trials at KooWeeRup Swimming pool between 2.00 and 3.00pm.
- Grade 3 Parents Information Evening commencing at 3.40pm.
- **Friday 13th** -
  Whole School Picnic to Phillip Island Cowes.
- **Monday 16th** –
  Playgroup Resumes in the Technology room – 9.15am to 11.00am
  Grade 1 Parent Information Session – 3.45pm
- **Tuesday 17th** -
  Grade 2 Parent Information Session – 3.45pm
- **Wednesday 18th** –
  School Council Meeting. 7.30 pm start – School Captains / Vice Captains invited to attend.
- **Friday 20th** -
  Lang Lang and District Sports – Swimming Carnival at KooWeeRup Pool. (Selected Squad)
- **Friday 27th** -
  Grade 6 Excursion to Sovereign Hill.

**From The Principal...**

**School Council:**

The Cardinia Primary School Council meets on the third Wednesday of each month and welcomes all parents and friends of the school to attend these meetings. Once a term we also invite the School Captains and their deputies to attend to talk with Council regarding the school and possible projects they would like to see occur. Our first meeting for 2015 will take place next Wednesday the 18th of February, this will be the last meeting of our existing Council prior to new elections taking place in March. Our current councillors who are up for re-nomination and election are: Parent Members - Dean Alderson, Lisa Riddington, Anne Pead and Trish Lammens. Community - Ray Weinzeirl and Lisa Cartmel. DET – Liz Alderson, Michelle Henson.

School Council is an integral component of the school and is responsible for the continued growth and development of the School’s physical environment, facilities and programs offered and implemented by the school – in line with Government regulations, guidelines and policies. Being part of School Council gives you a deeper understanding of the school’s finances, decision making processes and the work that this governing body of the school carries out.

On behalf of School Council I invite all interested Parents/Guardians, who would like to contribute to the school’s on-going development and be part of this very important decision- making body of the school to nominate for the vacant positions on Council by completing the attached nomination forms and returning them to the school by the close of business on Wednesday 4th of March.

Time line for School Council Elections:

18th February: Nominations called for Vacancies on School Council
4th March: Close of Nominations
11th March: Ballot papers sent out if required
18th March: Ballot closes (election and Counting at 4.00pm)
18th March: AGM and New Council meets for the first meeting – Office Bearers elected.

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School Picnic

The School's Annual School Picnic is taking place this Friday the 13th of February. This is a traditional event held by the Cardinia Primary School Parents’ Club for the Cardinia Primary School Community. It is a tradition that has been taking place for over 70 years in one form or another. It is held at the start of the year to give parents, students and staff the opportunity to meet and greet in a more informal atmosphere and is a terrific way to kick off the school year and get an understanding of the fantastic work that our Parents' and Friends’ Club does for the school and its students.

Students who require a lift to this event need to be at School by 8.45am and wait near the main entrance of the school.(Hall car park). All transport will be leaving the school at 9.00 am and returning to school as close to 3.30pm as possible. Families who are going direct or providing their own transport do not need to come to school but can drive directly to the picnic area, meeting us at the venue at around 10.00am.

*** Remember if your child requires a lift and is 7 years or under then you will need to provide us with a booster seat for the trip. This is a legal requirement. ***

If you haven’t already done so, please return your permission slip for this activity as soon as possible.

SLIP SLOP AND SLAP

During first term all students and staff are expected to wear a hat while outside at recess, lunchtime and during sport activities. All students need to wear the school approved brimmed, bucket or legionnaire style hat. 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 who consistently forget to bring along or wear their hat will have to stay in the Quiet Areas throughout lunchtime.

Grade 6 students will shortly be given a special Grade 6 hat to wear for their final year at Primary School.

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. Everyone’s co-operation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

No Meal Deal this week due to the Whole School Picnic on Friday.
THUMBS UP

- To Ms Edwards on the arrival of Max Cooper. One very happy new mum.
- To the students who pick up papers without being asked during recess and lunchtimes – very much appreciated.
- To all the parents who have attended the various Parent Information sessions. Thank you for your support.
- To all staff involved in the presentations to parents about the year ahead at each grade level. Great work.
- To all parents, staff and students for their support regarding the forthcoming swimming trials at KooWeeRup tomorrow. Greatly appreciated.
- To Mitchell King for being very helpful each morning, putting up the flag and collecting the mail. Great work Mitchell.
- To Mrs Sheppard – Crossing Lady for the great work she does day in and day out on the crossing making sure everyone safely crosses the road and always giving everyone a friendly greeting.
- To Sharon King who has taken over the role of Student Banking Co-ordinator. Very much appreciated.
- To all the parents and friends who have volunteered their services to assist in the classrooms across the school. Thank you very much.
- To Ms Thalas who has volunteered to be our Yakkerboo Co-ordinator for 2015. This year’s theme is the “Circus”. The parade will take place on the 19th of April.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Michael Wallace will be returning again this year to run Instrumental Music lessons for Grades 1-6. Those who have attended in the past will receive an expression of interest form today. Please complete this form and return to the office. Anyone else who is interested can collect a form from the office.

STUDENT BANKING

Student banking will start this week. Information packs have been given to all our Foundation Students. If you would like to start a savings account for your child you can collect an Information Pack from the office. Banking books need to be handed into the office before every Friday.

GRADE 3 INFORMATION EVENING

The Grade 3’s will have an Information Session on Thursday 12th February to discuss the year ahead. The information afternoon will be held in each grade classroom area and will commence at 3.30pm. If you have any questions, please see your child/ren’s Class Teacher.
Swimming Trials!
The Inter-School Swimming Sports are to be held at the Koo Wee Rup Swimming Pool on Friday 20th February. Trials will be held tomorrow between (2pm-3pm) and a team will be selected to represent the school. Any students in Grades 3-6 who think they can swim 50 metres competently may choose to try out (age groups 9/10, 11, 12/13) and a team will be selected to represent the school.

Notices have been sent home and need to be returned to the office as soon possible. We are using private transport so please return notices ASAP. Any questions please see Mr B.

Curriculum Day
Our first proposed Curriculum Day – Student Free Day for 2015 is Friday the 6th of March (to be endorsed by School Council at its February Meeting.) The purpose of this day will be for all staff to participate in a Professional Development on the “Curriculum Organiser” teaching tool that was a suggestion that came out of the school’s recent School Review. As the name suggests, this tool helps staff organise their curriculum and streamline planning for all students, all grade levels and curriculum areas in accordance with AusVels.

Part of the day will also be given over to finalising the School’s Strategic Plan which has to be submitted by the end of this term to the Department.

BOOK CLUB NEWS
Just a reminder that any orders will need to be received at the office by close of business on Friday 13th February. This will ensure that orders are placed with Scholastic by their due date and are delivered to the school quickly.

CONGRATULATIONS TO KASEY AND PAUL
Yesterday Ms Edwards gave birth to a healthy little boy, Max Cooper. He was 4.10 kg and measured 52 centimetres. Both are doing extremely well.
**Student Medication**
If you completed a Medication Request Form last year for your child/ren and wish to continue having medication kept at school the Department of Education requires you to complete a **new** Medication Request Form.

The Medication Request Form is available at the Office. Medication cannot be given to students without this form being completed.

We are unable to give students medication that is past its expiry date so please come in and check if the medication we hold for your child is still within its expiry date.

Medication to treat asthma or anaphylaxis does not need to be accompanied by a Medication Request Form as it is covered by a student’s Asthma Care Plan or Action Plan for Anaphylaxis.

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**2016 Foundation Enrolments**
With the 2015 Preps settling in, it is time to start planning our 2016 intake!
If you have a Pre-School child who will begin Prep at Cardinia Primary School in 2016, could you please visit the office as soon as possible to ensure we have your child’s details.

Please do not assume we know your child will be attending our school. With so many new families it is a huge job to keep track of all possible future Preps. You will need to provide the office with your current email address as well as your Preschool child’s full name, date of birth and the name of the Kindergarten she/he currently attends.

A 2016 enrolment form will then be given to you and these are due back fully completed by the end of term 1.

Please see Allan or Jodie if you have any questions regarding the 2016 Prep Enrolment procedure.

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**PLAY GROUP**
Play Group sessions are now on a Monday from 9am- 11am. Anyone interested in coming along please do. Ages are from 10months to Pre-School. The cost is a very reasonable $5 per session paid on a term basis. You will also need to register with Playgroup Victoria for Insurance purposes.
First session is free to see if it is what you are looking for.
SCHOOL PICNIC – FRIDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2015.

I hereby give permission for my child/ren ..........................................................

to attend the School Picnic at Cowes Beach, Phillip Island on Friday 13th February 2015.

In case of illness or accident and when I cannot be contacted, I authorise the obtaining on
my behalf, of such medical assistance as my child/ren may require. I accept all operation,
blood transfusion and/or anaesthetic risks involved and the responsibility of any expenses
thus incurred.

SIGNED ........................................................................................................... DATE........................................

WE WILL BE GOING DIRECTLY FROM HOME TO PHILLIP ISLAND. YES/NO
OR
(Please circle)

MY CHILD/REN WILL NEED TRANSPORT TO THE PICNIC YES/NO
OR
(Please circle)

I CAN HELP WITH TRANSPORT FROM SCHOOL TO PHILLIP ISLAND AND CAN TAKE .......... EXTRA
CHILDREN IN MY CAR.

MY DETAILS ARE ON RECORD AT THE OFFICE. ** YES/NO
(Please circle)

**If your registration and insurance details are not on record and you wish to help with
transport, please see Virginia at the office for a form.**

For catering purposes please advise the number of adults and extra children attending the picnic.

ADULTS ............... EXTRA CHILDREN ...............
School Council Elections – Information for Parents
School Council Elections 2015

What is a school council and what does it do?
All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of a school within statewide guidelines. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

Who is on the school council?
For most school councils, there are three possible categories of membership:
A mandated elected Parent category – more than one-third of the total members must be from this category.
Department of Education and Training (DET) employees can be Parent members at their child’s school as long as they are not engaged in work at the school.
A mandated elected DET employee category – members of this category may make up no more than one-third of the total membership of school council. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members.
An optional Community member category – members are co-opted by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. DET employees are not eligible to be Community members.
Generally, the term of office for all members is two years. The term of office of half the members expires each year, creating vacancies for the annual school council elections.

Why is Parent membership so important?
Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school.
Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying in itself and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

How can you become involved?
The most obvious way is to vote in the elections, which are held in Term 1 each year. However, ballots are only held if more people nominate as candidates than there are positions vacant.
In view of this, you might seriously consider
• standing for election as a member of the school council
• encouraging another person to stand for election.

Do I need special experience to be on school council?
No. What you do need is an interest in your child’s school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school’s future. What do you need to do to stand for election?
The principal will issue a Notice of Election and Call for Nominations following the commencement of Term 1 each year. All school council elections must be completed by the end of March unless the usual time line has been varied by the Minister.
If you decide to stand for election, you can arrange for someone to nominate you as a candidate or you can nominate yourself in the Parent category.
DET employees whose child is enrolled in a school in which they are not engaged in work are eligible to nominate for parent membership of the school council at that school.
Once the nomination form is completed, return it to the principal within the time stated on the Notice of Election. You will receive a Nomination Form Receipt in the mail following the receipt of your completed nomination.
Generally, if there are more nominations received than there are vacancies on council, a ballot will be conducted during the two weeks after the call for nominations has closed.

Remember
• Ask at the school for help if you would like to stand for election and are not sure what to do
• Consider standing for election to council this year
• Be sure to vote in the elections.
School Council Elections Schedule 5 A: Self-nomination
Form for Parent Member Category
I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent member on the school council.

Name

Residential address:

Contact phone (mobile or landline):

Email:

I am the parent/guardian of , who is/are currently enrolled at this school.
I am an employee of the Department of Education and Training but not engaged in work at and for the school
Yes / No (please circle)

I am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above-named school council. I hereby declare that I am not:

- an undischarged bankrupt
- of unsound mind
- currently serving a sentence for an indictable offence; or
- a registrable offender within the meaning of the Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004.

Signature of Candidate ..................................................Date / /

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

Personal information provided in this form is collected as part of the school council election nomination process. The information may be used to determine your eligibility as a candidate. Your personal information may be disclosed as a result of inspection prior to the commencement of voting or at any time up to one year from the declaration of the poll.

Your name will be included in a list of school council candidates and nominators (where applicable) posted in a prominent position at the school and for candidates, on a ballot paper (where applicable).

Further, the name, membership category, gender, term of office, office held (if any) of school council members and notification whether the member is an employee of the Department will be forwarded to the Department of Education and Training by the principal by 30 April each year as a record of council membership and may be used for statistical purposes.

You can access your personal information by contacting the principal on 03 5998 8323.

If you choose not to give some or all of the information requested your nomination may not be accepted. If you have any queries about the school council nomination process, please contact the principal.
School Council Elections Schedule 5B: Nomination Form for Parent Member Category

I wish to nominate for an elected position as a parent member on the school council.

CANDIDATE'S DETAILS
Name
Residential address
Contact phone (mobile or landline)
Email

I am the parent/guardian of , who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

The person I have nominated is the parent/guardian of who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

The person I have nominated is an employee of the Department of Education and Training but not engaged in work at and for the school.

Yes / No (please circle)

Name of Nominator

Signature of Nominator .................................................Date / /

CANDIDATE TO COMPLETE:

I accept the nomination and I am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above-named school council. I hereby declare that I am not:

- an undischarged bankrupt
- of unsound mind
- currently serving a sentence for an indictable offence
- a registrable offender within the meaning of the Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004.

Signature of Candidate .................................................Date / /

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

Personal information provided in this form is collected as part of the school council election nomination process. The information may be used to determine your eligibility as a candidate and to nominate. Your personal information may be disclosed as a result of inspection prior to the commencement of voting or at any time up to one year from the declaration of the poll.

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School Council Elections Schedule 5C: Self-nomination Form for DET Employee Member Category

I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a DET employee member on the school council.

Name

Residential address

Contact phone (mobile or landline)

Email

I am an employee of the Department of Education and Training engaged in work at and for the school.

Yes / No (please circle)

I am prepared to serve as a DET employee member of the above-named school council. I hereby declare that I am not:

- an undischarged bankrupt
- of unsound mind
- currently serving a sentence for an indictable offence
- a registrable offender within the meaning of the Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004.

Signature of Candidate ........................................Date / /

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

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If you choose not to give some or all of the information requested your nomination may not be accepted. If you have any queries about the school council nomination process, please contact the principal.
School Council Elections Schedule 5D: Nomination Form for DET Employee Member Category

I wish to nominate for an elected position as a DET employee member on the school council.

**CANDIDATE'S DETAILS**

Name  
Residential address  
Contact phone (mobile or landline)  
Email  

I am an employee of the Department of Education and Training engaged in work at and for the school.

Yes / No (please circle)  

The person I have nominated is an employee of the Department of Education and Training engaged in work at and for the school.

Yes / No (please circle)  

Name of Nominator  
Signature of Nominator …………………………Date / /  

CANDIDATE TO COMPLETE

I accept the nomination and I am prepared to serve as a DET employee member of the above-named school council. I hereby declare that I am not:

- an undischarged bankrupt
- of unsound mind
- currently serving a sentence for an indictable offence
- a registrable offender within the meaning of the Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004.

Signature of Candidate …………………………Date / /  

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

Personal information provided in this form is collected as part of the school council election nomination process. The information may be used to determine your eligibility as a candidate and to nominate. Your personal information may be disclosed as a result of inspection prior to the commencement of voting or at any time up to one year from the declaration of the poll.

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BAG of size 00 – 6x singlets, 4x leggings, 7x short sleeve body suits, 1x jumper, 2x long sleeve gro suit, 1x hat Total items= 21 Bag price $10.00

BAG of size 0 – 4x singlets, 1x sleeveless bodysuit, 9x short sleeve body suits, 3x long sleeve body suits, 1x long sleeve gro suit Total items= 18 Bag price $10.00

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BAG of size 0000 – Total items= 57 Bag price $50.00
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BAG B of size 000 – Total items= 53 Bag B price $50.00
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BAG B of size 00 – Total items= 55 Bag B price $50.00
BAG C of size 00 – Total items= 54 Bag C price $50.00
BAG D of size 00 – Total items= 52 Bag D price $50.00
BAG A of size 0 – Total items= 32 Bag A price $30.00
BAG B of size 0 – Total items= 32 Bag B price $30.00
BAG C of size 0 – Total items= 31 Bag C price $30.00
BAG D of size 0 – Total items= 31 Bag D price $30.00
BAG A of size 1 – Total items= 28 Bag A price $25.00
BAG B of size 1 – Total items= 29 Bag B price $25.00
BAG C of size 1 – Total items= 29 Bag C price $30.00
BAG D of size 1 – Total items= 29 Bag D price $25.00
BAG A of size 2 – Total items= 37 Bag A price $35.00
BAG B of size 2 – Total items= 36 Bag B price $35.00
BAG C of size 3 – Total items= 47 Bag price $45.00
BAG of size 4 – Total items= 25 Bag price $25.00

**Boy’s sizes available**

BAG of 0000 – Total items= 25 Bag price $25.00
BAG A of size 000 – Total items= 39 Bag A price $35.00
BAG B of size 000 – Total items= 35 Bag B price $35.00
BAG A of size 00 – Total items= 46 Bag A price $40.00
BAG B of size 00 – Total items= 44 Bag B price $40.00
BAG of size 0 – Total items= 37 Bag price $35.00
BAG A of size 2 – Total items= 39 Bag A price $35.00
BAG B of size 2 – Total items= 41 Bag B price $40.00
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