Work Experience Students

This week the School has four of our past students participating in the Secondary Schools’ Work Experience program. Two of the girls are from KooWeeRup Secondary College and the other two are from Drouin Secondary College. It is fantastic seeing these girls again, they have certainly grown up since their days of being students at Cardinia. All four girls have done a terrific job and are a credit to themselves and their respective schools.

Please – No Parking on Grass Areas

Now that winter has really set in and the ground is getting extremely boggy could all Parents and Friends be mindful not to try and park on grass areas, including our neighbour’s nature strips and near the entrance to the parking area of the Church. Despite the high chances of getting boggied it also creates a huge mess and isn’t very respectful to our local residents who put in a great deal of time and effort to maintain these areas. Your support in this matter would be greatly appreciated and ensure goodwill remains between the school and our local community.

Happy Holidays

The term break is fast approaching and I trust everyone will have a relaxing and enjoyable 2 week break from school. Remember to keep safe and enjoy the time with your families and friends and we will see you all back, ready for action on Monday 11th of July.

Last Day of Term Activities

To finish off the term students will be involved in rotations (either tabloid sports or indoor games) on Friday morning. Children will be in groups and rotate through the various activities organised by staff. All students are expected to wear their School uniform; it is NOT a free dress day. They will also need to bring along their own or organise their lunches for the day.
Meal Deal this week is pizza, garlic bread and and Choc Wedge for just $4.00!!!

Head Lice

There have been yet again, a couple of head lice cases reported to the school. Over the holidays, please check your child’s hair and, if required, treat accordingly. A follow up treatment will be required to ensure they are no longer present. Your co-operation in this matter would be appreciated.

Further information can be found at the following website.


Sausage Sizzle at Masters Sunday July 17th

The Hoiles-Saunders family has kindly offered to run a Sausage Sizzle at Masters on Sunday 17th July to support the school in its fundraising efforts to renovate the Technology Room and kitchen area. We are certainly very fortunate to have such families as members of our School Community. All profits from their efforts will go directly to the school, so please wander over to Masters on the 17th of July, buy a Sausage or two for lunch and support the school in its endeavours to improve the facilities at the school. Once again a huge thank you to the Family for their very generous offer, which is gratefully accepted by School Council.

A DAY MADE BETTER

Is there a teacher at your school who deserves to be recognised?

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING TEACHERS WHO HAVE BEEN NOMINATED

Mrs J Mattingley
Mr B Adams
Ms J Thalas
Ms R Masters

These teachers are in the running for a prize pack valued at over $5,000! Congratulations to those teachers and good luck! Thank you to those families who nominated our teachers.
**THUMBS UP**

- To the Choir members for their fantastic performance yesterday despite the inconvenience of the weather. A repeat performance will take place on the 18th of July.
- To Mrs Young for her direction and guidance with the Choir leading up to their performance. Well Done!
- To Chelsea, Lakoda, Amelia and Tara – past students who have returned this week to be involved in the Work Experience Program. It’s great to see these girls again back at Cardinia.
- To the Grade 4 students for the fantastic work they had on display for their Brag Afternoon yesterday. Just fantastic!
- To Ms VP for all her work in organising the activity morning on Friday for the whole school. Due to the weather at the moment she has two plans in place. Plan A and Plan B!
- To all the students who have had zero or only 1 day away from school this semester. A fantastic effort. (You’ll get your certificate at assembly early next term.)
- To the parents who once again are very diligent in keeping our oval in good order- very much appreciated.

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**Final Reminder – No Voting At Cardinia Primary School**

At the forthcoming Federal Election, Cardinia Primary School will *not* be a venue for a Polling Booth. The School was notified of this change by the Federal Election Commission late last week. This will mean residents wishing to vote will have to travel either to KooWeeRup, Clyde or Tooradin to vote.

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**Attendance and Punctuality Cups**

This week we would like to congratulate FH, 1CA and 4CH for winning the ‘Mrs Smith - Attendance Cup’. Great effort guys and keep up the great attendance!

This week the ‘Mrs Friend Punctuality Cup’ goes to 5A. Great work by all of these students.

Remember that **attendance and punctuality** are two key areas in ensuring all students achieve their full potential at school.
The Junior School Council has set a challenge for the Cardinia Primary School Community.

- Have you got a container at home full of saved up silver coins that are annoyingly sitting there until you sort them out or take them to the bank?

- Are you sick of carrying around your wallet or purse full of heavy silver coins that weigh your pocket or handbag down?

Well let’s put those coins in the Junior School Council Bucket Challenge. Our aim is to fill two buckets to the top and see if we can collect enough silver coins to weigh the same as Mr White. Money raised will be used for our school fete happening later in the year.

So far we have a total of approximately 20 kgs in silver coins, which is a GREAT effort!

Donations can be left at the office.

ATTENDANCE

With the onset of winter, if your child is unwell the best place for them is to rest at home. This reduces the spread of colds and other lurgies and enables your child to recover quicker. If they do need to stay at home, please call the office so that Mrs Smith or Mrs Friend can complete an Attendance Note on your behalf.

When they return to school however, the Education Department requires a signed note from the parent. There are blank notes available from the office. Please ensure one is completed and handed into the Office so our records are up to date and accurate.
**Unisex Junior Netball Development Training**

PSNC are offering FREE Netball skills Development Training for Kids Aged 6-7 and 8 yrs over the next 15 weeks. The new team will start playing Competition in Term 4 starting October 2016.

PSNC practise every Monday 4-5pm at the outdoor courts located at Pakenham Springs Primary School off Henry Road.

Correct footwear is required and water bottle. Donations Welcome!

Contact Sam 0418 355 315

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**Lost Property**

Just a final reminder that this Friday we will be displaying all the lost property outside the outside the Office. Please have a look to see if any of your child’s garments are there. All items not claimed will be sent to an Opp Shop or cleaned and placed in our 2nd Hand Uniform boxes.

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FRUIT SNACK

At Cardinia Primary School we have 2 designated fruit snack breaks throughout our busy day. The first break is at 10.00am in the classroom and the second snack break is at 12.30pm also in the classroom. These breaks were implemented to ensure that our students have a break from learning and to promote healthy eating. At both these snack breaks, children are encouraged to eat their fruit snacks. Fruit provides important vitamins such as vitamin C and folic acid and parents are encouraged to provide fruit snacks for their children. Further information can be found at the website below.

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. We all have mornings that can be crazy however constant disruptions can affect not only your child’s learning but other students in the classroom. It is also a Departmental requirement that ALL students who are either arriving late or leaving school early to be signed in or out, as the case may be, at the office.

The Responsible Pet Ownership

The Responsible Pet Ownership team came and spoke to the Foundation – Grade 2 students about being responsible pet owners and also what to do when we see unfamiliar dogs. The class had a great time listening to the lady and meeting her dog Miller.
What is V.C.O.P?

V.C.O.P. are the four core targets we use to teach writing. The letters stand for:

- Vocabulary
- Connectives
- Openers
- Punctuation

Vocabulary (Wow words!)

It is important that children begin to think carefully about the vocabulary they choose and the effect that it has on the reader. We promote the use of “WOW” words in writing. These are words that are ambitious for the children to use; they can ‘up-level’ their nouns, adjectives, verbs and adverbs:

- **Noun** - A word that names a person, place or thing:
- **Adjective** – A word used to describe a person, place or thing:
- **Verb** - A word to describe action; what is happening in the sentence.
- **Adverb** - A word a word used to modify a verb, an adjective, another adverb, a preposition, a phrase, a clause, or a sentence and often used to show degree, manner, place, or time.

Connectives

Connective is the name for any word that links sentences together. There are various types of connectives.

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Openers

An opener is the first word or phrase used in a sentence. There are lots of different ways of opening sentences. When children start on their writing journey, most sentences initially begin with ‘I, they, he/she, then’. Older children are introduced to various openers.

E.g. **Running** towards the sparkling sea, Megan couldn’t wait to jump in!

**Like a bottle-nose dolphin**, she swam up and down, in and out of the waves.

**Underneath the water**, Megan could see a shoal of colourful fish.

**Silently**, she then tiptoed over to a rock pool to see if she could see a crab.

**Meanwhile**, Megan’s parents fell asleep in the warmth of the sun.

**Exhausted** from all her activities, Megan lay down on her brightly coloured towel and drifted off to sleep as well!

“**Wake up!**” cried mum.
Using a wide variety of punctuation is important to add variety and interest to your child’s writing. We provide the children with lots of examples of where punctuation is used effectively and model how to use them. The pyramid below shows differentiation in punctuation. It starts at the top with basic punctuation and progresses down to using complex skills such as speech marks and brackets.

**Punctuation**

**VCOP - in action**

Encourage your child to improve a simple sentence that they write, using VCOP. For example, The cat went along the wall.

We can improve this sentence using:

**Vocabulary:** The fluffy, ginger cat quietly prowled along the unstable wall.

**Connectives:** The fluffy, ginger cat quietly prowled along the unstable wall while the unsuspecting bird pecked for worms in the garden below.

**Openers:** Licking his lips, the fluffy, ginger cat quietly prowled along the unstable wall while the unsuspecting bird pecked for worms in the garden below.

However, in order to add interest and variety to their writing, children must also learn to balance longer, detailed sentences with shorter, simpler ones. For example:

One glorious summer's day, on the edge of a forest far away, the sound of laughter and excitement could be heard rippling through the fragrant, pine-scented air. Three young pigs were finally moving out!
Some Watercolour pieces from Grade 6 students

Charlotte S – 6D
Abbi V – 6D
Ryley W – 6D
Will B – 6E
Memphis Y – 6E
Kiera I – 6E
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Pakenham Bucks

Hardy's has teamed up with local schools to start a program called Pakenham Bucks. With every $25 parents and friends spend at Hardy's they will donate $1 to our School. We can then purchase any item from Hardy's with our Pakenham Bucks. This is a great way for parents, family and friends to support our school with useable items for the children.

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✓ Mention the school by name before making your payment.
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BETWEEN

SATURDAY 25TH JUNE 2016 to SATURDAY 2ND JULY 2016

WE WILL RESUME BACK TO NORMAL TRADING HOURS AS OF

MONDAY 4TH JULY 2016

NORMAL TRADING HOURS

(Effective as of 4th July 2016)

Monday to Friday -- 10:00am to 5:00pm

Saturday -- 10:00am to 1:00pm