Welcome Back

I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome back to school all our students and families for the final term of 2015. My hasn't it gone quickly? Our current Grade 6’s will be gearing up for their transition to Secondary School and our new intake of Foundation students are all excited about commencing school next year.

We have School Camp, Grade 6 celebrations and our Annual Christmas concert to look forward to during the final 11 weeks of the Term. As well as, various class activities and excursions. All this will hopefully cap off a most rewarding and exciting year for all of our students, staff and families.

Sleep Over

Thanks to all the staff from across the school for their support and efforts for the very successful sleepover that was conducted to complete third term. It was terrific to have so much support from staff to ensure that this activity could take place and that the entire event ran so smoothly and effectively. The students were just fantastic and their co-operation was just great. The Grade 6 students did an outstanding job helping with tea, breakfast and lunch and assisting with all the cleaning up and preparation. Their efforts were greatly appreciated by the staff and undoubtedly the many "mouths" they assisted in feeding over the sleepover period.

School Hats

It is great to see nearly all the students in their Sun Smart Hats to start off the term, with very few students without the correct hat style or colour. Students have until next Monday before the Hat Policy will be fully implemented.
BOOK FAIR 2015

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS YEAR THE BOOK FAIR WILL BE 1 WEEK ONLY!!

Our 2015 Book Fair will commence Thursday 15th October until Thursday 22nd October.

There are various posters around the school advertising this event but if you require further information please see Mrs Friend in the office.

The Book Fair will run from 8.30am – 9.00am and again from 3.15pm – 3.45pm for the duration of the week.

Please note that ALL payments can be made by either cash or EFTPOS (Cheque, Savings or Credit).

We are still needing parent helpers to help run this event so please see Mrs Friend as soon as possible if you can help.

The more books purchased the more books we get donated back to the school to stock our Library, so please come along and see if there are any books that interest you or your children.

With Christmas fast approaching, our Book Fair it is a great place to stock up on those last minute presents!

Hope to see you there!
**Thumbs Up**

- To all the students who participated in our Annual Sleep over – your efforts and behaviour was very much appreciated.
- To all of the Grade 6 students for their support and assistance with tea, breakfast and lunch. Fantastic job by one and all!
- To all the staff for supporting our sleep over once again. Your ongoing support and effort allows us to be able to run such successful events throughout the year.
- To everyone who carried out various works around the school during the break. Greatly appreciated.
- To the various families who kept a watchful eye on our Animal Farm during the break and ensured everything was well cared for.
- To Nathan Eager for once again keeping our oval trimmed and ready for the forthcoming cricket season.
- To our 13 competitors at the Zone Divisional Finals this week – we wish them all the best in their endeavours.

**Meal Deal this week is a Pizza, Garlic Bread and Icy Pole for just $4.00**

**Also, bags must be clearly labelled with your child’s name and grade.**

**BOOK CLUB NEWS**

The latest Book Club brochures have been received and distributed to students today. Please make sure that any orders placed are received at the office by close of business **Friday 16th October together with payment**. This will ensure that orders are placed with Scholastic by their due date and are delivered to the school quickly.

Ordering books through the Scholastic catalogues is a great way to encourage your children to read and have fun. We also earn rewards points for our School to spend on items for both the library and classrooms.
ACTIVE OCTOBER

It’s ACTIVE OCTOBER again and to celebrate on Friday the 30th of October at 9am, all current students, parents and friends are welcome to participate in a 3.2km walk around the school. Inspired by the Melbourne Cup all students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite jockey and those who participate will receive a raffle ticket to go into the running to win the grand prize, a $400 gift voucher for Life Of Bikes (in Pakenham). Afterwards students will run in a grade level horse race (hobby horses welcome) with the top three receiving a special certificate.

This is the second year Cardinia Primary has participated in ACTIVE OCTOBER and we hope to see the school community there. For more information please see Ms Thalas.

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.

Here are some tips 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.
Car Parking!

When parking on Cardinia Road, on the School side of the road, please park as close to the bollards and barriers as possible. Children and parents need to use the pathway allocated between the fence and bollards to enter School safely.

Cardinia Road and the front of the Hall car park are available for parents to park and collect students. There are also limited spaces in the Church car park located off Dalmore Road. Please do not park on the nature strip or block driveways in this area. There is also no parking in front of the School Crossing when the flags are showing.

It is School policy that all students need to be collected by an adult at the end of the day. This avoids accidents from occurring in these congested times. Please also be aware of your surroundings when parking your vehicle. If you are blocking other cars or the flow of traffic it makes it very difficult for other parents to access parking spaces. Cardinia Shire has allocated 4 car spaces in the Hall Car Park area which are reserved for vehicles displaying a Disability Permit ONLY. Please ensure your vehicle has the correct permit when using these spaces. Your assistance, patience and understanding in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

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.
Life Education Victoria 2015 Visit

Dear Parents

As part of our drug and health education this term we are having the Life Education mobile classroom visit our school from: Tuesday 6th October – 13th October 2015.

Life Education has been visiting our school for many years and is always a highlight of the children’s year, and helps to facilitate the development of the life skills in students to prevent and minimise the harm of drug misuse.

Lessons are always age appropriate and the children will be covering a wide range of drug and health related topics, ranging from the human body and how it works, healthy eating and nutrition, medicines and drugs, bullying, resilience and social skills. Healthy Harold, the much loved Life Education giraffe mascot is always a much anticipated element of the Life Education visit. The sessions are always fun, interactive and really extend and develop the children’s understanding of the topics covered. We will be further broadening these topics in class both prior to and after the Life Education visit with the student workbook which is included in the cost of the visit. It is important that your child attend this session.

As a charity, Life Education relies heavily on the generosity of local organisations to keep its fleet of mobile classrooms on the road delivering positive health and life messages to over 200,000 children in Victoria alone.

The cost for this incursion is $6.00 per child.

Please fill out the attached payment slip and return both to school by Tuesday 6th October.

Life Education Victoria 2015 Visit Payment Slip

My child/children: 

Grade:  

I wish to pay by (please circle):  Cash  BPAY  Account  CSEF  

Amount enclosed: $  

Signature (Parent / Guardian)
FIELD of WISHES

Family Fun Run & Walk
Sunday 25th October 2015
9.30am @ Casey Fields, Cranbourne

Wear blue to help make wishes come true.
Entry Fees: Adult - Online $20; On the day $30
Children $10; Family $40

Join our walk (4km) or run (8km or 4km) and raise funds to help grant wishes for children with life-threatening medical conditions.

To register, go to www.registernow.com.au and search for “Field of Wishes”
Registered Event Number: 22656. Registrations on the day are open 8.00am - 9.00am
To fundraise, go to www.everydayhero.com.au/event/fieldofWishes2015

Presented by the Cardinia-Casey volunteer branch of Make-A-Wish® Australia

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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.

3 easy steps

✓ Visit Hardy's and make your purchase (must be over $25)
✓ Mention the school by name before making your payment.
✓ Receive Pakenham Bucks vouchers to be returned to the school.

$1 Pakenham Bucks will be awarded to
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