Camp Week

Camp week has started very well. The campers have enjoyed their first days of camp with stories of excited children and staff, being challenged on a variety of activities. We will need to be prepared for very tired campers on Friday. Back at school we have also been pleased with a smooth start. All students have settled into their grades and are enjoying the activities and their new teachers for the week.

Transition Day

On Tuesday of next week, the year 6 students will be involved in the state-wide secondary school transition day. At Cardinia Primary School all students, from Foundation to year 5, will spend the same Tuesday with their 2016 teacher in their new classroom.

School Concert

School concert is fast approaching and all grades have been practicing their concert items. Next week you will receive further information from your child’s class teacher about costume and any other requirements for the concert night. The concert will start promptly at 7.00pm. During the concert all students will remain with, and be in the care of the staff. At the concert’s conclusion all students will be sent back to parents.

There will be more information to come in the next newsletters.

Due to Camp activities this week, Zooper Doopers will not be available.
**PARENTS’ CLUB CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

With Christmas fast approaching, Parents’ Club is preparing for the festive season by organising our Christmas raffles & other goodies for our concert night. Each family has received a note with an item we would appreciate they donate to the raffle prizes i.e. biscuits, a decoration, coffee, up to the value of $5. (Additional items are always more than welcome.) Raffle tickets have also been distributed for every family. There are spare raffle tickets available from the office if you require more. If we could please have raffle tickets and money returned to the office by Tuesday the 15th of December it would be greatly appreciated.

Santa has also distributed a letter for each family to let parents know about his visit. Please read Santa’s letter and follow his instructions.

**Thumbs Up**

- To our Grade 3 and 4 Hoop Time players. Congratulations in coming runners up for the State. Fantastic achievement!
- To Mrs Eades & Mrs Massa for your help in the office on Monday. Much appreciated ladies!
- To Mr White, Mrs Woods and Mrs Armstrong who have been looking after our school whilst camp has been running. Thank you!
- To Jodie and Liz for all their fantastic work in making sure our Transition Program for our Foundation intake is so well organised and planned.
- To all Staff for all their efforts in putting together their reports for the end of the year. This is a mammoth task and takes many hours of work to complete.
- To Teagan N for donating a reader to our School library. Very generous Teagan!

**Meal Deal this week is a choice of either a Meat Pie OR a Sausage Roll and an Ice Cream Sundae for just $4.00**

Also, bags must be clearly labelled with your child’s name and grade.
GRADE 6 LUNA PARK GRADUATION
Our Grade 6 are heading off to Luna Park on the 15th December. Permission forms have already been sent home. Please return your permission forms as soon as possible so we have an idea of how many are going.

Hoop Time Champions
Wow! What an amazing day! Last Thursday, the 26th, the Cardinia Champions, our 3/4 Hoop Time team, made history. They competed in the Future Stars State Finals. The day began with 32 teams battling for the top spot. The team lost their first and last game for the day. All the other games they won. They had a couple of easier games and some thrilling, nail biting games that came down to the last seconds. There were rebounds under the ring, fast breaks, intercepts and an awesome 3 points scored just before the siren that got them to the Grand Final.
Matthew, Liam, Caitlin, Ryan, Isabella, Abbey and Tyler all played incredibly well as a team. They were great sports, showed true determination and gave it everything they had. They began the competition along with over 740 teams and made it all the way to 2nd place.
The Cardinia Champions were presented with a runners up t-shirt, a medal and a trophy for the school. Next Thursday we will recognise them at assembly. We are incredibly proud of them, our State Runners Up.

LOST A CAR SEAT?
We have in the office a well-loved Baby Love car seat that has been handed in or left at school after an activity. It is grey in colour. If you have misplaced a car seat, please see Mrs Smith or Mrs Friend in the office.
The Junior School Council would like to support the Connections Christmas appeal. We are asking all of our school community to help disadvantage families by buying a gift to put under our Christmas tree, which is located in the BER building near the kangaroo.

The gifts will be taken by Connections and then given to those families to help them celebrate Christmas. For more information please look at our school’s weekly newsletter and the posters around the school.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT SUPPER
THURSDAY 17th DECEMBER

We are asking families to please donate an item of food for the adults’ supper after our concert this year. Cakes, slices, biscuits, crackers and chips are some suggestions.
All food can be left in the Tech Room kitchen on Wednesday after school or before the concert.
Supper with tea & coffee will be served straight after the performance for the adults. All children receiving a gift from Santa will also be given a treat and a Juice Box.

PLEASE NOTE: WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT ANY ITEMS REQUIRING REFRIGERATION OR PRODUCTS CONTAINING CREAM.

SCHOOL BANKING

Our Commonwealth Bank School banking will now be processed on Thursday mornings. Parents please ensure that your child’s bank book/s are received at the office to ensure it will be banked. If you are wanting more information about our Commonwealth Student Banking, please visit the office.
Grade 4, 5 and 6 Flight Day
Students enjoyed jumping onto Flight 747 Twinkle airways. They were lucky enough to visit Ireland, Italy and Vietnam, experiencing a little culture and cuisine throughout their travels. A great day was had by all.
Camp Coonawarra

The climbing wall was fantastic because it’s really fun when you climb to the top – Peyton (1H)

The best thing about camp so far is the raft making – Luke 1C

I think doing the canoe was the best because it collapses and we went into the very deep end. – Lauren (FA)

I liked rock climbing because I went to the top. My other favourite was the Giant Swing because it was fun and fast “it was like a wrecking ball”! – PJ (FA)

I liked the rock climbing because it’s high up and you can have a fun way of getting down – Jai (1H)

Canoeing and raft making were the best because you are in the water – Charlotte (4I)

I reckon the Giant Swing because it was really adventurous and it was really good when you “free-falled” for a second – Will (5D)

The best thing was raft making because at the end you were allowed to try it out and see if it sinks. Mine didn’t sink! – Brooke (5T)

The best thing about camp so far is the raft making – Luke 1C
KOOWEE MARKET
Cochrane Park, Corner Rossiter Rd & Sybella Ave, KOO WEE RUP

Invitation to local schools, Kindergartens and community groups, get involved with our Christmas market

Looking for entrants for our
ART EXHIBITION
OPEN TO ALL AGES AND YEAR LEVELS

Stall holders welcome
Stalls available at no cost to community groups.

WHEN: 6th December 8am-1.30pm
WHERE: Koo Wee Rup Community Hall,
CONTACT: Joss Pohl
          0418289847
          kooweerupmarket@gmail.com
Cardinia Primary School Christmas Appeal Update

It is fantastic to see that there are already gifts placed under the tree for the Connections Christmas Appeal. Please note that this is not a collection point for clothes and old toys. Those items should be given to the charity bins or Red Cross etc. The Junior School Council are focussed on collecting wrapped gifts for a child of similar age to your child to be given to families to celebrate Christmas.

Thank you to those people who have already helped us by placing gifts under the tree. Another gift idea are gift vouchers. If you do donate a gift please place on top of the gift a note saying:

This gift is suitable for a boy aged _________  

OR

This gift is suitable for a girl aged _________

Collection Day will be Wednesday the 16th of December.

Thank you

Junior School Council