ANZAC Day
This Monday is a Public Holiday due to ANZAC Day. Once again the School will be participating in the KooWeeRup Dawn Service by marching to the dawn service, having student representatives and flag bearers placing a wreath as part of the service.
The KooWeeRup Dawn Service is a great community event and is extremely well done, capturing the spirit of ANZAC and reflecting on the sacrifices that Australian Soldiers have made in the various theatres of war.
The Service begins with the March from the Clock Towers to the Community Centre passing through the “Avenue of Honour” at 5.45 am. The Dawn service will then take place and various community organisations will place wreaths as a mark of respect.
All members of the Cardinia Primary School community are more than welcome to attend this service and it would be fantastic to see you there.

Yakkerboo
On Sunday the weather was very kind to us and the 2016 Yakkerboo Parade. A huge thank you to all students who came along and participated in this event – your costumes were just fantastic!
I’d like to take this opportunity to thank Merv for the use of his truck and to Terry Mattingley for making himself available to drive the truck for the parade. The school is very grateful to Merv and Terry for their support and their efforts are greatly appreciated. Due to everyone’s efforts under the direction of Ms Thalas we won the trophy for Best School Float. Well done everyone and we will see you all again next year!

NAPLAN
In a couple of weeks, students in Grades 3 and 5 will be sitting the annual NAPLAN Testing program which covers Numeracy, Writing, Reading, Spelling and Punctuation. The testing will take place over three days, with Friday being a “catch-up” day for students if they were absent for one of the tests. If you have any concerns or queries regarding NAPLAN please don’t hesitate to see your child’s teacher or myself.
If you don’t wish your child to participate in this program please see your child’s teacher as soon as possible to receive an exemption from the testing program for 2016.

From the Principal....

DATES TO REMEMBER

APRIL:

Monday 25th April:
- ANZAC Day (NO SCHOOL)
- Dawn Service at KooWeeRup
  Meet at Clock Towers at 5.30 am and March commences at 5.45am

Wednesday 27th April:
- Evacuation Drill for the whole school.

Thursday 28th April:
- Mother’s Day stall at Cardinia Primary School ($5.00)

MAY:

Friday 6th May:
- Lang Lang and District Sports Association – Cross Country Event at Nar Nar Goon

Sunday 8th May:
- Mother’s Day

Tuesday 10th May:
- Flu Vaccination Shots for Staff
- NAPLAN Testing – 10th to 12th May for Grade 3 and 5 students.

Wednesday 18th May:
- School Council Meeting commencing at 7.30pm.

Tuesday 24th May:
- Family and Friends Day (Details in future newsletters.)

Wednesday 20th April, 2016
Meal Deal this week is a Salad Roll and Donut for just $4.00!!!

Please indicate clearly on your bag the items you want included in your salad roll or simply write “The Lot”

You have a choice of ham or chicken!

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

It is now a DET policy that all parents who volunteer at school on a regular basis hold a current Working with Children Check. Whether you read to our students during class, transport students to and from excursions or volunteer in any other way this includes you. Applications must be completed online using the link provided below. There is no cost involved for the application; however you will need to have a photo taken which may incur a cost. Alternatively, if you already hold a current Working with Children Card, please provide the office with a copy for our records. For further information, please see Mrs Smith or Mr Armstrong.


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.

CSEF

Just a reminder if you haven’t applied for CSEF, applications are now due. CSEF is designed for families who have a Health Care or Pension Card. The funds from CSEF will be processed onto those families’ accounts. If you qualify, please see the office for an application form ASAP.
THUMBS UP

- To Merv for the use of his truck for the Yakkerboo Parade - greatly appreciated.
- To Terry for donating his time and expertise to drive the truck for Yakkerboo.
- To all the students, staff, parents and friends who supported our entry in the Yakkerboo Parade and for all those fantastic costumes.
- To all the students who are working really hard to improve their attendance and punctuality – great work!
- To our School Leaders who have volunteered to be flag bearers and to place the wreath at the ANZAC ceremony.
- To Nathan Eager for once again mowing our school oval – very much appreciated.

SCHOOL CAMP

This year’s school camp will be in the city, at Melbourne Discovery. It runs from Monday November 28th to Thursday December 1st. The approximate cost of camp will be no more than $400. This price may decrease slightly in the lead up to camp, depending on numbers. Expression of Interest forms have been distributed to families. Please complete these and return to the office. To confirm your child/ren’s place a non-refundable $50 deposit per student must be paid by this Friday 22nd April.

BOOK CLUB NEWS

The latest Book Club brochures have been distributed to students today. Please make sure that any orders placed are received at the office by close of business Friday 29th April together with payment. This will ensure that orders are placed with Scholastic by their due date and are delivered to the school quickly.

Emergency Evacuation Drill

The school will be undertaking an Emergency Evacuation Drill next Wednesday 27th April. This is an important component of our Emergency Management Plan. The drill is designed to ensure staff and students are aware of the evacuation procedures in our Emergency Evacuation Plan, as well as test the effectiveness of the plan. Later in the term we will also conduct an unannounced drill.
**Attendance and Punctuality Cups**

This week we would like to congratulate Grade 1T and 6D 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, 2B, 4CH, 3PA and 4CR. 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.

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**Secondary School Information Sessions**

A number of secondary schools in our area have contacted the School regarding their Parent Information Evenings. Parents and students in Grade 5 and 6 are encouraged to attend these sessions listed below.

**Pakenham Secondary College**
Wednesday 27th April
Information session commencing at 7.00pm

**Drouin Secondary College**
Information Day for students Thursday 5th of May
Parent information session – 7.00 to 9.30 pm

*Please note that though we are a “feeder school” to Officer Secondary College, students wishing to attend other Secondary Colleges are able to do so by indicating their preference on the Year 7 Application forms all Grade 6 students received last week.*

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**MOTHER’S DAY STALL**

SSHHH!!!

This year at Cardinia Primary School we are holding a Mother’s Day stall, which will be held on Thursday 28th April.

Students will be able to access gifts that will be on sale during class time and they will come pre-wrapped with clear cellophane. We have a huge selection of gifts to choose from and all gifts will be priced at $5 each.

Can parents please pay $5 to the office as soon as possible ensure shopping runs smoothly and every child has a gift for their Mother or Grandparent.
Do you enjoy singing?
Come and join the Cardinia Primary School Choir.
When? Monday lunchtimes
Place? Music Room.
Time? 1.40pm-2.10pm
Can't wait to see you there
Mrs Young

Inter-School Cross Country
This year due to building works being undertaken at the Cardinia Recreation Reserve, the Lang Lang and District Sports Association will be conducting the Cross Country event at Nar Nar Goon with the host school being St James.

The Cross Country event will be held on Friday the 6th of May, with the backup day (if weather conditions are not suitable on the 6th to be Monday the 9th of May.)

The inter-school Cross Country event is for Grades 3 to 6 students and throughout the forthcoming week each grade will be conducting their trials to ascertain the top 10 students both boys and girls for each grade level. They will then represent the school on May the 6th.

Students who finish in the Top Ten at the inter-school event will progress on to the Zone Finals later in the month and will be notified by the school, regarding the details of the Zone Finals. We wish all students well in their endeavours and remind them that participating and doing their best is what counts.

IT’S A GIRL!
Congratulations to the Bubb/Turner family on welcoming baby Helena in to their family this week. Both Mum and Helena are doing great.
ANZAC DAY

A lovely military man selling poppies stopped me today and asked if he could re-position mine. While doing so he told me that women should wear their poppy on their right side; the red represents the blood of all those who gave their lives, the black represents the mourning of those who didn’t have their loved ones return home, and the green leaf represents the grass and crops growing and future prosperity after the war destroyed so much. The leaf should be positioned at 11 o’clock to represent the eleventh month, the time that World War One formally ended. He was worried that younger generations wouldn’t understand this and his generation wouldn’t be around for much longer to teach them. Lest we forget!

2ND HAND UNIFORM

Just a reminder with the cooler months approaching, the office has a wide range of 2nd hand uniforms for sale. We have jumpers, shirts and even school bags, all for $2 per piece. Come and see Mrs Smith or Mrs Friend in the office.

CONGRATULATIONS TO POPPI P!

Poppi P from 4CR competed at the Equestrian Interschool State Championships. Poppi won the State title for Champion Primary School Show Hunter. Such a remarkable win against primary school children through to Grade 6 when she is only in Grade 4. Congratulations and well done Poppi!
Basketball Academy
Information Evening for 2017 Year 7 students
April 27th—8:00pm—Performing Arts Centre

Combine Excellent Academic Results with a Basketball Academy Program which won more medals at Nationals than any other school across Australia in 2015

Program also includes:
Refereeing course, USA Tour and US College Recruiters Information Sessions

Coaches include:
Dandenong Rangers SEABL
(2015-MVP) USA Import—
Daequon Montreal
Former NBL and Current Kilsyth
SEABL Player—
Gerard Leonard

For information please call—Chris Pentland—8768-1090
pentland.chris.k@edumail.vic.gov.au
Application Forms available at the Information Evening

TRY OUT DAYS
Saturday 28th May
Saturday 4th June