School Council

Next Wednesday, the 16th of March, will be School Council’s first meeting with our newly configured School Council for 2016. The School’s Annual General Meeting will be held at 7.00 pm with all positions on Council being declared vacant and the call for nominations for the executive positions. The School’s annual report will also be tabled for School Council to endorse.

Following the AGM, at 7.30 pm the March meeting of School Council will be conducted. The School leaders from Grade 6 are also invited to attend this School Council meeting if they wish to do so and present to School Council any ideas, and a summary of their experiences to date.

Remember all parents and friends of students attending Cardinia Primary School are more than welcome to attend our School Council meetings.

Coastal Ambassador Program

Next Thursday Ossie, Jarrod, Maddie C and Maddie H will be participating in Day 1 of the Coastal Ambassador Program being conducted at the Phillip Island Education Centre. As part of the program they will be building penguin nesting boxes, learning about the Phillip Island environment and developing a unit of work to teach other students about a key environmental issue affecting our school environment. Later on in the year after ‘teaching’ our students using the ‘student as teachers’ model, they will present their project, work and initiative to the other schools involved in the program.

Enrolments – 2017

If you haven’t already notified the office or Jodie that you have a child starting in Foundation in 2017 could you please let them know by the end of this week? We have also organised two school tours on the 16th and 23rd of March (Invitation only) commencing at 9.30 am. Once again in 2017 we will be limiting our intake to two grades at the Foundation Level – maintaining our nett enrolment at around 310 students.
Zooper Dooper Wednesday

Once again this term the student body has organised Zooper Dooper Wednesday to raise funds for their initiatives and purchases for the school. Each Wednesday at lunchtime they will sell Zooper Doopers for $1.00 (limit of one Zooper Dooper per student).

Meal Deal this week is a Sausage Roll and Fun Bun for just $4.00 !!!
Please make sure your lunch bag is clearly named with your grade.

Sovereign Hill

Last week we had another fantastic Grade 6 Sovereign Hill excursion with student and parents. Students really enjoyed themselves and we thank everyone for their fantastic conduct. Students enjoyed watching lollies and candles being made, and witnessed what school and life was like in the 1800's. The students were treated to a mine tour and of course tried their luck at gold panning. There are photos and some student accounts enclosed in this week's newsletter.

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.
THUMBS UP

- To the 18 students who represented our School and Sporting District at the Regional Finals today. Congratulations to all involved.
- To all the parents and friends who joined us on Friday for the Sovereign Hill Excursion. Your involvement was very much appreciated.
- To Jenny Bonham for the great photographs she took on the day. They were fantastic!
- Thumbs up to all the Grade 6 students for their excellent behaviour and effort on the day – greatly appreciated.
- To Mrs Esler and Mrs Dart for all the work they put into making the day such a success!
- To our mums who do the Meal Deals each week – great job and very much appreciated.
- To Riordan C for using his time after school to read to younger students. A fantastic use of time.

Good Friday Appeal

The student council and our school each year have raised money and awareness for the Good Friday Appeal. The Good Friday Appeal helps children from across Australia who need to be looked after by the Royal Children’s Hospital. Donations from previous years have helped one of our students overcome huge difficulties. We, as a school, highly value the work that the Royal Children’s Hospital does. Please help us by giving a donation to help those children in need of medical attention by placing your donation in the envelopes that were distributed last week. If envelopes can be returned to the office by 17th March, then our school amount can be displayed on the television during the appeal.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

Volunteering at school can be rewarding and a great way to contribute to your child’s class and our school. Parents who do volunteer at school on a regular basis or transport children to excursions must now hold a current Working with Children Check. Applications must be completed online using the link below. If you have any problems with the online application, please see Mrs Smith in the office. There is no cost involved for volunteers; however, you will need to have a photo taken. Please see Mrs Smith or Mr Armstrong if you require further details.

Permission forms were distributed to families last week for our WHOLE SCHOOL incursion to celebrate Roald Dahl’s 100th birthday on Monday 21st March. Please ensure you complete and return your child/ren’s permission forms to the office by Wednesday 16th March. Extra forms are available from the office. There is a $5 per child cost for this incursion.

A local group is looking for boys under 14 for a basketball team to play in this year’s winter season. Games are Monday nights at Cardinia Life in Pakenham. For further details please SMS Claire on 0414 400 780.

As you are all aware Easter is fast approaching. Each year, as part of the school’s fundraising efforts, we hold an Easter raffle with some great hampers up for grabs.

All we ask in return is that each family donates an Easter related prize (eggs, toys, etc). If you could please pass on your contribution to Virginia in the office, it would be greatly appreciated.

Raffle tickets were distributed to families last week. If you require more tickets, they are available from the office.

Letters were sent home to families that have not as yet provided the office with either their child/ren Birth Certificate and/or Immunisation Certificate. We would appreciate it if these could be return to the office as soon as possible to ensure our student records are kept up to date. This also applies to our new Foundation students commencing school next year. It is important that we receive the Immunisation Certificate to ensure the health and well-being of your child and others. Please see the office if you are unsure as to whether you have provided it already.
Attendance and Punctuality Cups

This week we would like to congratulate Grade 3PR for winning the ‘Mrs Smith - Attendance Cup’ for the 3rd time. Great effort guys and keep up the great attendance!

This week the ‘Mrs Friend Punctuality Cup’ goes to the following Grade(s); Foundation A, Grade 4CH and Grade 5A. Well done to those grades!

Remember that attendance and punctuality are two key areas in ensuring all students achieve their full potential at school.

2016 Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge is now open and Cardinia Primary School is excited to be participating.

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to 16 years in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by September 14.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or ‘experience’ 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

If you would like your child to participate, please return the attached privacy and consent form. All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and can choose to have their name included on the online Honour Roll.

For more information about the Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge and to view the booklists, visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

Students who would like to participate can get a copy of the consent form from their classroom teacher or the office. Next term, Mrs Preston will be holding book club in the Library where students can come and listen to books from the Premier’s Reading Challenge list.

Please record the title and author of all the books you read so you can put them online once you receive your username and password. If you have any questions please come and see me in the grade 3PR classroom.
Throughout the month of March students will be participating in walking or running laps around the school oval during their sport sessions.

Classroom teachers and an active class monitor will be recording how many laps each class runs or walks each week.

At the end of each week, classes will total up their laps and give them to Ms Thalas. She will total up the amount of laps run or walked by all students in all classes and will work out how many kilometres Cardinia Primary School ran/walked during March.

Using a map of Australia we will see how far around Australia we ran/walked. Can we make it to Sydney, to Brisbane, to Cairns or to Darwin? Every lap counts and helps us towards our total.

To celebrate our journey during March the Cardinia Shire has a special scooter and helmet pack as a prize, which will be raffled during an assembly in Term 2. For more information please see Ms Thalas.

Next week Wednesday 16th March, after school 3:40pm in the 1T classroom Ms Thalas will be holding a meeting about Yakkerboo for any parents and staff that can help with the parade. The theme is 1970’s Star Wars. Yakkerboo is on Sunday the 17th April. Hope to see you there.
SOVEREIGN HILL PHOTOS
The school was so much fun! I learned about the life of a civil engineer. I even had a little school activity (my personal favorite). I was amazed to see how people do things! The school defined to me how things can be used in the activities such as math, science, and English. However, I had struggled in the science activities such as biology, but I learned a lot. I didn’t know that people have to go to the front door: not just a school building. I learned a lot. I think I am going to go to a math class. I want to become a scientist. I was taught how to analyze and think. I think I am going to do a science project. I think I am going to become a teacher. I think I am going to be a scientist. I want to go to a math class.
A Pin Bowling

By Ryan 6E

After a while I started rolling the bowling balls back and setting up the pins. Eventually we had to make one out next activity. Sovereign Hill was so much fun that I hope to book soon.

When we arrived at Sovereign Hill we did lots of exploring. Then we found a bowling area which was a lot of fun especially when Riley got a strike on his first shot.

Finally, turn off my alarm clock because it was so dark. This was the day we were going to Sovereign Hill with grade six for the whole day.
Sovereign Hill Mines!

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Under the Surface

Oh, The evaluation of croaking call of bull at 8:00am at Alba's house. We had to get in the house while it was still playing. Because we manage enough to get in the yard before it was going to be dark. Hill... was the day that the grades were going to Sovereign.

Candie Walking
Gold Smelling

History

But my favorite part was going down the P 1000 meters especially

One of the moves we went down the hill very fast. The second time I was more listening upon warning. That was really only about in the main where it was supposed to be expected.

I loved the fact that we were under the surface of the world.

But you can get away from your problems.

These were sometimes I thought. Today you not stop going. down in the main and -

Various things through out the story these

Two Hills and sometimes of soap.

Overall they family very gay story.
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