



Newsletter

16 JULY 2015

CALENDAR

July

13th Term 3 commences.

22nd Year 6 Excursion—
ScienceWorks

23rd Popcorn Day

25th WORKING BEE

28th ICAS English Testing

August

6th Jeans 4 Genes

7th Curriculum Day. No children to attend on this day.

10th Oxfam Concert, Box Hill Town Hall.

11th ICAS Maths Testing

14th Winter Sport for Years 5&6

14th Year 3 Excursion to Melbourne Museum

18th School Council

19th Musical Soiree in the Hall

24-28th Book Week—Theme is 'Books Light Up The World'

26th Year 5 Excursion—Toolangi National Park

27th Dress as your Favourite Book Character Day

28th Year 1 Incursion—Light & Sound

28th Reading Challenge ends

September

4th Fathers Day Stall

Dear Parents,

WELCOME BACK

I hope everyone enjoyed a restful and relaxing holiday break. Welcome back to Mr. Robbie Mallet. Welcome also to Mrs. Betty Gangmark who will be working in the Library during term 3, while Ms Hayden takes leave.



Karen Jenkin
Principal

STUDENT REPORTS AND INTERVIEWS TERM 2

Congratulations to the teaching staff for the effort and time they invested preparing comprehensive student reports for Semester 1. I was also very impressed by the effort and commitment our students demonstrated towards their learning journey.

NEW PLAYGROUND

During the school break we have been busy completing improvements to the playground. The students in particular have been watching this play space develop with great excitement. The senior playground has been modernised and relocated and the new spider web placed along side. The feedback from the students is that the new play area is fantastic!



'Thank you' to Geoff Williams for concreting a large area at the entrance of the school ground in readiness for the placement of our new tables and chairs. We all appreciate your time and effort Geoff.

TERM 3

Our teachers have been planning some exciting and engaging learning programs for all students. This term our Year 3 and 4 students experience their first school camp at Phillip Island. Other highlights of Term 3 include celebrations for Literacy Week during (week7) and National Science and Numeracy Week in the first week of September. There will be various year level incursions and excursions and the launch of the COMPASS program for our school administration team.

WORKING BEE

There will be a Working Bee on Saturday July 25th 9.30 – 12.00- (followed by a BBQ- sausage sizzle). It would be greatly appreciated if any parents can donate



an hour or two of their time to help out on the morning. A letter detailing working bee tasks has been sent home today.

Principal's Corner

At times, parents ask me for ideas regarding how to improve the quality of their child's social engagement and/or social appropriateness. I found the following article provided some useful tips to support the development of a child's sense of 'other' and a growing awareness of how their social behaviour may impact upon others. It starts by asking yourself as a parent: "What does this social situation reasonably require of my child at their age and stage of development?"

Teach children about time and place By Michael Grose (Parenting Ideas)

My mum used to tell me, "There's a time and place for everything Michael, and this is not the time and place to behave like that!"

Time and place is a brilliant socialisation lesson for children of any age or era to absorb. It's a parent's job to socialise your children. That is, it's your job to develop a sense of OTHER so that they become aware of how their behaviour impacts on others. You do this by:

1. Giving your children social scripts

There are times when kids don't know what to say or how to act in different social situations. "Here's what you can say when you meet Mrs Smith..." is the type of pre-emptive social scripting that benefits most boys, kids on the autism spectrum as well as kids who need extra help to get on with others.

2. Regular behaviour rehearsal

Practise appropriate social behaviours at home so kids know how to behave around others. For example, you can role-play a restaurant situation by serving your kids' meals at the dinner table and expecting them to use their manners.

3. Just-in-time prompts

It helps to remind in positive terms how kids should speak and act around others before entering a social situation or a special place such as a church, airport or restaurant. "In church most people..."

4. Teaching good manners

Manners are social guidelines that teach kids how to behave around others. While some conventions change over time, basic good manners such as saying

'please' and 'thank you' never change. They are the basis of a civil society. Kids are never too young to start learning manners.

5. Respectful use of consequences

While the best discipline happens before an event (through behaviour rehearsal, prompts and teaching manners) there are times when the only way to get a message across about time and place is to DO something if the child's behaviour thoughtlessly or deliberately impinges on the rights of others. And the best action may be WITHDRAWAL from the place or activity that they are doing. That may mean that the kids (and you) miss out on an activity or being in a special place but such lessons are rarely forgotten and reinforce your important messages.

Time and place is a great parenting message for children to learn. It's about consideration for others; it's about self-control and above all else, it's about fitting into different social situations.

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Principal**

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PARENTS COMMITTEE NEWS

Pizza Day

Thank you to the Staff and Children who supported, Pizza Day.

We would like to Thank our Parent helpers who assisted on the day, Jules Berry, Koula Giannakis, Leanne Schmitt, Mannie Hughes, Sadike Miller, Lucy Adams, Loreana Mendoza de Rios, Lilly Spears, Mel Ashton, Georgia Sinclair, Kellie Ellis, Xiaoyu Liang, Simone Yeung, Michelle Raimondi and Punardeep Kaur.

Thank you, Sue Bleeker who organised the Pizzas.

Parents Committee

MUSIC NEWS

Next week we start rehearsals for the school groups performing in the Oxfam Music Festival, a major fundraising event held at the impressive Box Hill Town Hall. Over 40 schools from around Melbourne will be taking part in the series of 8 concerts this year. Pinewood Primary School will have three groups in this event on Monday 10th August, which is for any children who want to perform from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Notices for Oxfam involvement went home last term, but there a chance to be involved: ask for a form at the office. Pinewood Primary's performances have been greatly enjoyed by the large audience filling the hall in past festivals, and no doubt that will continue this year. We will have a Year 3/4 Marimba and Percussion group, a Year 5/6 Marimba group, and a 4/5/6 Recorder Group. Rehearsals will take place on Mondays this term with Ms McLaughlin starting next week, 20th July.

Orchestra practice will also begin on Monday, so children who play something suitable for this ensemble please remember to bring your instrument (violin/flute etc)!

This year, instead of a major school concert at Crossways, we will hold a different event: a MUSICAL SOIREE, on August 26th, in our school hall. This will be a concert for special music groups rather than a whole school event: the orchestra, the Recorder Group, the Oxfam performing groups, and other small

ensembles. This will be a free concert, held in the school hall from 7 - 8 p.m.

In Term 4 this year all students will be treated to a live performance by an Irish music group from Music Viva: Ogham's Soup. Music classes will prepare the children for this visit. Also in October all classes will be learning the 'big song' for this year, which will be sung on 30th October at school along with 500,000 singers around Australia.

Ms Heather McLaughlin
Mrs Nicole Blowfield
(music teachers)

LITERACY NEWS

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION READING IN THE EARLY YEARS OF SCHOOL

On Wednesday August 5th, I will be holding a parent information session in the staffroom. The session will be about reading in the early years of school. I will talk about how children learn to read and how you can help your child at home. The presentation will run from 9.00 – 10.00 and there will be the opportunity to ask questions at the end. Please see me beforehand if you need any further information.

If you wish to attend, please return the form below to your class teacher. This will help us to cater for the correct number of people.

Kind regards,
Helen Dent
English Coordinator / Early Years Coordinator

REPLY SLIP

I would like to attend the parent information session (READING IN THE EARLY YEARS OF SCHOOL) on Wednesday August 5th from 9.00-10.00.

Name: _____

Child's name: _____

Child's class: _____



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OSHC

Bookings are now being taken for the Curriculum Day, Friday, 7th August.

It is essential for parents to have their bookings done by Friday, 31st July so that staffing can be arranged.

If there are insufficient numbers by that date, the program will not open.

A reminder that Semester 2 Curriculum Levies and Excursion Levies are now due.

TERM DATES 2015

Term 1

Thursday, 29th January—Friday, 27th March

Term 2

Monday, 13th April – Friday, 26th June

Term 3

Monday, 13th July – Friday, 18th September

Term 4

Monday, 5th October – Friday, 18th December

PREP DINNER

Straits Kitchen
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Date: Friday, 31st July

Time: 7.30pm

For further details please contact Amanda on 0410 246 778. Bookings essential. RSVP by 27th July.

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ENTERTAINMENT BOOK COLOURING IN COMPETITION!

DEADLINE EXTENDED

There are 10 Movenpick Swiss Ice cream vouchers for the best entries (spread over all year levels)



Entry forms were sent home with each child last term, but there are a few spare forms at the office

Please place your entry into the box at the office

Entries close 3.30pm on Tuesday 21 July

(you do not need to purchase an Entertainment book to enter)

Winners will be announced at assembly on Monday 27 July

Parents should note that advertisements that appear in the newsletter are not necessarily the views of the school council or staff. These services are in no way connected to the Department of Education and are included according to relevance and interest to the school community.



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All new players - Please bring a copy of your birth certificate.
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LIMITED PLACES!

Monday lunchtimes P-2
Monday after school Years 3-6
(Starts Monday the 27th of Julyall other details confirmed when you book)



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