**Important Dates to put in the diary**

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**TERM DATES 2014**

Term 3
14th July - 19th September

**Pupil Free Days**
Fri 5th September
Mon 3rd November

**Yard Duty Supervision**
8.45 to 9.00am and 3.30 to 3.45pm

**AWARDS**

**Congratulations to our award winners :-**

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**PLEASE NOTE: FRIDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER—2.30PM DISMISSAL**
Dear Parents,

**Art Show**  Wow! What a fantastic time we all had at the school’s art show opening night conducted last night. The Multi-Purpose Room resembled a professional art gallery and the students’ work looked fantastic. Congratulations to Laura Russell and the many people that assisted in staging such a fantastic event. A big thank you to all the wonderful parents and teachers that generously donated their time and creative talents to produce some wonderful art work that was auctioned on the night. All proceeds of this year’s art show will go towards an outdoor musical art sculpture which we hope to begin creating and building later this year and a printing press for the art room.

The art work will be on display until next Wednesday. If you haven’t had the opportunity of seeing all this fantastic work, I strongly recommend that you get along before it closes.

**Father’s Day Breakfast**  Although the weather was a little ‘brisk’ it certainly didn’t dampen the enthusiasm and feel of our traditional ‘Father’s Day Breakfast’ conducted before school last Thursday morning. Over 200 Dads enjoyed a breakfast of croissants, Danish pastries, juice and coffee in NLPS ‘piazza’ with their children, to begin the celebrations of their upcoming special Father’s Day. Thank you to Jacqui and all the Mums for organising, preparing and assisting on the day. Thanks also to Mark Williams and for all his help with the provision of the handball competition to entertain our guests on the day.

**Parents / Carers Behaving Badly**  After writing about two wonderful community events, it is extremely disappointing to now write about some appalling behaviour from a small number of our school’s parent/carers.

Over recent weeks there have been several incidents of abuse and foul language from parents/carers picking up their children after school directed to Janet, our wonderful Elizabeth St. crossing lady. Some parents are continuing to illegally park on or near the school crossing. When informed of not being able to park in these areas, the drivers have then proceeded to abuse Janet and blame her for their actions. On one occasion the carer actually swore at our crossing lady in front of children and other members of school community. This behaviour cannot, and will not be tolerated, and requests have been made to the Hobsons Bay Council and Victoria Police to increase their patrols and take appropriate action where required.

The crossing warden’s job is to provide our children and community a safe passage as they cross the busy streets near our schools. Janet does much more than this as she also provides a welcome face and greeting to all our children and families as they come and leave our school every day. Janet is a very important and special member of our school community and should never have to face the very poor behaviour of a small element of our parent community.

I encourage all users of the crossing to demonstrate to Janet this week how important and special she is to our school by expressing your appreciation of her and the important job she does for our children and school.

**Farewell**  I would like to say thank you and farewell to Nerida Goodwin, the school’s Business Manager, who will be finishing up at Newport Lakes PS at the end of term 3. Nerida has been with us for the last 16 months and done a wonderful job of assisting with the school’s finance, HR and the other 101 things we ask of our office staff to undertake on a daily basis. We all wish Nenda the very best for the future.

**New Building Opens**  When we begin next term, the Yr. 3/ 4’s will be in their new classrooms (apparently Mr.Hales won the toss and 3/ 4 H and 3/ 4 G are going to have the upstairs classrooms), LOTE classes will move from the MPR to the old music room and Music /Drama will share a fantastic new space in the old Yr.3/4 portable. At next Monday’s school council meeting, discussion will also begin on plans to update our school grounds including the bike racks area and the oval.

Next week brings us to end of yet another busy and eventful term. There has been a lot of illness (coughs, colds and all sorts of bugs) with children and staff alike over the last 3-4 weeks and I believe we can all do with a good break. I hope that all families and teachers get the chance to have a wonderful break and I look forward to another busy and engaging time in term 4.

David Moss
Principal
School Values

Over the following weeks the children at school will be talking about the school values and how they assist us to have a great time at school.

Please take a moment to discuss with your child what they think it means to show

Responsibility

Both inside and outside
while at school and at home

Writing Parent Information Session -
Thursday 19th September 9 - 10.30am

Following many requests from parents, Denise O'Shea and Janet Gill will conduct a repeat of the writing parent information session which received high praise from parents who attended the session that was held last term. This is for those people who could not attend the previous session. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend. Topics will include spelling, reluctant writers and how writing is taught at Newport Lakes PS. We hope to have a large audience. All welcome!

Walk to School October 2014

Now that that we are enjoying beautiful spring days, it is the perfect time to think about walking to school. Walking to school is good for your health, helps the environment and means less traffic on our local streets. In Term 4, for the month of October, Newport Lakes Primary School will be participating in the Vic Health ‘Walk to School October’ initiative, run in association with Hobson’s Bay Council and will receive a participations grant for our sports fund. We will also be in with a chance to win a road safety competition.

We encourage students to walk, scoot or ride all or some of the way to and from school for the month of October. We will record each child’s walk on class calendars, and provide a summary of participation to Vic Health later in the year. You can also go to the website www.walktoschool.vic.gov.au and register your child if you wish to. Letters containing more information will be sent home to each household next week.

On a safety note this means that drivers can expect to see many more children in and around schools during October 2014, so we encourage drivers to:

- Be extra careful when reversing out of driveways;
- Watch your speed in school speed zones;

We can’t wait to see all those feet hit the street!
Fathers Day Breakfast

It was great to see so many Dads and kids enjoying a crisp spring morning last Thursday to celebrate Fathers Day. I am not sure I have seen so many croissants, danishes and muffins in the one spot - there was plenty to go round! We had some wonderful ties on display with spot prizes going to Aaron (dad), Locks (grade 1) and Lily (grade 5). The handball competition was very popular again but the Dad's were outdone by the kids this year with the winner being Levi (grade 4) and Cole (grade 3) runner –up.

A very big thanks to Mark Williams for co-ordinating the handball comp and to Jackson for the commentary.

But the biggest thanks must go to the wonderful Sue and Kayleen at the office for all their help and to the 20 or so fabulous mums and grandmas who helped make the morning a success. As always it was a pleasure to be part of it and get to know some new parents. Thank you!

Upcoming Events...

Teddies 4 Timor Sponsorship Day

It is so exciting that the Teddies 4 Timor Sponsorship Day has finally arrived! It will be held tomorrow Friday 12th September at lunchtime in the Art Room. Students will be able to sponsor one of the many hand knitted teddies that have been donated by the school community or those brought along by Rotary on the day. There are over 300 teddies so there will be enough for everyone that wants to support his wonderful project. Parents may also have the opportunity to sponsor a teddy after assembly.

Students will choose a name for the teddy and also write their name on the teddy’s ID tag. Don’t worry if you haven’t thought of a name yet – you can also choose from a selection of Timorese names on the day. Students will have their photo taken with the Teddy and will be given a certificate of appreciation. The cost is $5 which will help pay for shipping the teddies, medical and nursing supplies to sick children at the Bairo Pite Clinic in Timor-Leste. Students are not buying a teddy. This project is about donating to disadvantaged children.

We still need some parent volunteers to help with this event – in particular to take photos of the children with the teddies. Please contact Allana Arapakis on 0400 113 333 if you are available to help.

Footy Day Lunch: Friday 19 September

Please return forms by Monday 15th September, as we must confirm numbers with the supplier at that time. NO LATE ORDER ACCEPTED.

We hope the kids enjoy having a hot lunch on Footy Day.

PARENT CLUB MEETING: Thursday 18 September 7:30pm MPR
Father's Day Breakfast
Spring into Life is jam-packed program of fun and interesting activities is being hosted by lots of our great community organisations. The majority of activities are free so it’s a great way to discover what’s available in your local area and spring into something fun this September! The program runs from 15 to 26 September and there are a number of activities that provide free childcare or are kid-friendly.

For booking details of all activities, download the Spring Into Life brochure from Council’s website http://www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/Community/Health_Wellbeing/Spring_Into_Life

Marian College Parent Education Program
Alcohol & Drug issues - Paul Dillon
Wednesday 8th October 7-8:30pm

Paul Dillon has been working in the area of drug education for the past 25 years. Through his own business Drug and Alcohol Research and Training Australia (DARTA) he has been contracted by many organisations to give regular updates on current trends. He has also worked with many school communities to ensure that they have access to good quality information and best practice drug education. He has also written a best-selling book for parents titled “Teenagers, Alcohol and Drugs” released in 2009.

Many parents access information on drugs from inappropriate sources such as the media and as a result there is a great deal of mythology around drugs and their use. This presentation will attempt to give accurate, up-to-date information on current trends in drug use in Australia. The area of drugs is one in which many parents do not feel well-equipped to discuss with their teenagers, with a recent survey suggesting that over 50% of Australian parents have never discussed the topic of drugs with their children.

This presentation aims to empower parents with some basic information about current trends in alcohol and other drugs as well as provide up-to-date research on best practice parenting in this area.

NO COST. Bookings essential: 9363 1711 - Marian College 196 Glengala Rd West Sunshine

Teddies 4 Timor Adoption Day

The Teddies 4 Timor Adoption Day will be held on TOMORROW 12th September at lunchtime in the Art Room. Students will be able to sponsor one of the hand-knitted teddies that have been donated by the school community. Students will choose a name for the teddy and write a note to give to a child at the Bairo Pite Clinic in East Timor. Students will have their photo taken with the teddy and will be given a certificate of appreciation. The cost is $5 which will help pay for shipping the teddies to East Timor. Students are NOT buying a teddy. This project is about donating to disadvantage children.

On Wednesday Sept 24th Jacqueline Harvey, author of the popular Alice-Miranda and Clementine Rose books will be visiting Enchanted Years (30 Ferguson St, Williamstown) as part of her national book tour. Jacqueline will be reading from and signing copies of all her books including the latest mystery “Alice-Miranda At Camp”. This is a FREE event but bookings are essential.

To book call Laura on 9397 1154 or email
WiseOnes – Move Clever To Wise

As we come towards the end of our WiseOnes course for term three on Ancient Greece we would like to invite all WiseOnes qualifiers to join us in Term 4 for:

Hands on Algebra

Love Maths, Hate Maths?? Either way you will have lots of fun with Hands on Algebra.

Learn the easy way where you can see the Maths happen. Learn how to check if things are equal, how the symbols work, the difference between the sides of an equation. Teach your parents how to do things that look hard but you can do them easily.

We use balance and other teaching aids to make it work before we try to do it on paper then in our heads. Three levels of fun and challenge especially designed for those who are able to think and learn ahead of their age. Low reading ability does not matter in this unit.

Be challenged to learn new things. Have fun with other like-minded and keen learners during our next WiseOnes unit of discovery.

Our Term 4 lessons will start Monday 13th October 2014.
If you would like an enrolment form for Term 4 please contact me as soon as possible.

The WiseOnes program caters to the needs of children who are advanced thinkers and fast learners. It runs one hour per week during school time for 8 weeks per term.

Its AIMS are academic, intellectual, moral and social development of the whole person at their own appropriate level and in a very small group. There is a qualifying level for participation to establish the specialist need for the fast-paced program.

If your child has not previously taken the Free Try-Out for WiseOnes and you would like them to do so, please contact me for a try-out form and further details.

Please Note: Places are limited and groups fill up quickly. Please ensure enrolments are confirmed promptly to avoid disappointment and being placed on a waiting list.

We look forward to the continued fun, learning and ideas sharing we experience in WiseOnes again next term.

With Thanks,

Angela Katsos
Licensed Education Manager
Providing WiseOnes Gifted Programs

Ph: 0418 577 725
Email: alphabg@bigpond.com
Website: www.wiseones.com.au
Williamstown Swimming and Life Saving Club (WS&LSC) runs a fun Nippers Program for children aged 5-14 years. Nippers are taught about surf awareness and surf safety through the Surf Life Saving Education Program by certified and qualified coaches.

The program is conducted on a Friday afternoon at Williamstown beach. The season begins in November and runs through to March, stopping for Christmas and January.

To participate in the nippa program, families are required to join the WS&LSC (New Family membership starts from $270). Membership gives you access to the clubhouse toilets and showers, the boards, the gym, discounted hall hire and the swimming pool over summer.

Williamstown S&LSC is a thriving club and very successful Nippers club and a great way for kids in the area to meet new friends in the community all while having fun down on the beach.

Information sessions
Saturday 13th September 2.30 – 4.30pm
Sunday 14th September 2.30 – 4.30pm
Saturday 4th October 2.30 – 4.30pm

Come down and find out more from the friendly volunteers about how the Nippers Program works and what club membership means to you and your family.

New & Existing Members Welcome Day
Sunday 5th October 2 – 5pm

Come down and enjoy the barbecue and a few frosty beverages as you meet and greet with new and existing members and the broader Nippers family.

Please note: All members 18 years and over are required to have a Working With Children Check prior to their membership being accepted. Find out more about this at one of the information sessions at the dates listed above.

For further information, see our website www.williamstownslsc.org.au or contact Craig Logan on 0437 555 889.
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iPad’s Made Easy—for our Young Seniors. Are you a beginner with iPad? Have you been using it a while BUT have lots of questions? Come along to this 3 week course!

Job Search— Have to read Vacancies. How to write your resume and how to search for that job then prepare for the interview.

Calligraphy— Students will discover how to use calligraphy both artistically and practically

Mosaics— Make a fantastic stepping stone or undertake a project of your choice, working with tiles, plates, glass and other mediums

Art Classes— All mediums taught, suitable for Beginners to Artists. Join in and brush up.

Fashion—Learning Sewing— Sick of paying for alterations? Do you have a sewing machine in the cupboard you don’t know how to use? Join this class and we will guide you!

And Many More..
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Bring your folding chair or bring a rug & come along with the kids to enjoy our “Family Fun Day 2\textsuperscript{nd} Birthday Celebration & “Altonas’ Got Talent” Kids Show!

Enjoy the free activities on offer!
Jumping Castle, Roaming Clown, Face Painting, Tattoos, Hair Spray, Story Time & More

Browse the market stalls and pick up some farm fresh apples, oranges, eggs, fruit & veggies, meat, artisan breads & pastries, jams, pickles, doggy treats, cakes, scented candles...
Summer Season 2014/15
Registration
(Starts late Oct 2014)

If you would like to play basketball in Summer 2014/15, please register online.

http://www.foxsportspulse.com/search for Williamstown Magic Basketball

New players are very welcome

For more information -
Girls All, Dale on 0400 208 426 or girlsregistrar@williamstownmagic.asn.au
Boys U10-14, Mick on 0430 304 300
U14-18+ Ruth on 0433 037 270
boysregistrar@williamstownmagic.asn.au

HOBSONS BAY CITY COUNCIL
MICROCHIPPING DAY

If you lose your pet, you’re far more likely to be reunited if they are microchipped. So microchip your pet for $25. We will also be offering an amnesty for unregistered animals if you register your pet at Cherry Lake on the day.

Sunday 21 September 2014
10am to 2pm
Cherry Lake Reserve
Millers Road, Altona

Bookings and pre-payment are essential. Please visit petregister.com.au/events or contact 1300 734 738 for more information.