

Newsletter

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WHAT'S ON AT SCHOOL

FEBRUARY

Friday 20 th	Sushi Orders due today Casual Bush Dance clothes Welcome Back Bush Dance.	Gold Coin for Bushfire appeal 6 pm- 9 pm
Friday 27 th	New Parents Morning Tea	9.15 am Library
Sat 21 & Sun 22	The "Lorax" Film Screening	ACMI
Sunday 22 nd	Teddy Bear's Picnic Osaka Twilight Festival	11 am - 4.00 pm 4.00pm - 8.00 pm
Mon 23 rd	School Council nominations close	4.00 pm
MARCH		
Tuesday 3 rd	Girls Day	Japan
Friday 6 th	Parents Club AGM	9.15 am Library
Tuesday 17 th	Murasakino School Visit	

Bushfire APPEAL

*Caulfield Primary School & Caulfield Primary Early Childhood Centre
invite you to our*

Bush Dance

Friday 20th February

6pm - 9pm

Featuring 'Blackberry Jam' Bush Band

Tickets available from office or at gate on the night \$10 per person or \$25 per family
B.Y.O. drinks & food (BBQ facilities available for cooking the food that you bring
yourself)

As seating is limited, we also ask our bush dancers to bring along folding some folding
chairs.

Enquiries 9523 7932

All parents from Caulfield Primary School and Early Childhood Centre are invited to
bring along all members of their families and join in the fun. All proceeds from the
Bush Dance will support the Bush Fire Appeal.



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Our "Welcome to School 2009" Bush Dance is tomorrow night. It is so exciting that our first combined event with the Caulfield Primary Early Childhood Centre gives us a chance to bring our communities together while the proceeds will go to bushfire ravaged communities in a time of loss and hardship.

The parents have made an extra effort to enhance the event and create a bush atmosphere 'Blackberry Jam Bush Band' are always a hit. The students have practiced and are ready to help all the younger children and parents learn and participate in the dances. The staff enjoy the social connections made on such a special occasion. This year we have opened the invitation to any family who would like to join us and make this a real community effort to help those less fortunate. I am looking forward to seeing as many as possible. A special 'thank you' to Rose Naughton for putting together the lovely poster and its distribution and all her work organising and co-ordinating all the various efforts.

This year is the schools Year of review and our Literacy focus is now well under way. Coming to Caulfield Primary has always given our students "a literacy advantage" and as leaders in this field we are focussing on greater awareness, participation and extended outcomes for students. During the next 4 months we will be having discussions with as many people as possible to ascertain the communities' thoughts. Please look out for your opportunity to participate.

Thank you to all who helped with the Literacy Working Bee on Monday afternoon. Victoria, our new Literacy coordinator, was thrilled with the result and is now in the process of rehousing and refilling our supplies.

The Parents and Friends Club meeting had many new faces and renewed energy from those in the past who have given the school so much support. Most of the positions of responsibility have been filled and we are still looking for an enthusiastic parent to take over Nicole's role as President. Nicole has had a wonderful year at the helm putting in place many organisational practices that will help her successor move comfortably into the job. Please consider this position and speak to Nicole or myself if you are interested.

Tania in the uniform shop has a new helper. Welcome and Thank You to Iris

Last week we celebrated Victoria's birthday and we all wish her an amazing year. We would also like to thank her for taking on the environmental role this year. I would also like to thank Anna (Sol & Freya) for her persistence in keeping our gardens growing. Each time you see our new tanks think of the effort she put in to make it happen.

Take care,

Suzanne Muir,

Principal

CASUAL DAY - LET'S GO BUSH FOR THE BUSHFIRE APPEAL

Friday 20th February - the day of our Bush Dance - the children are invited to come to school in casual clothes but dressed up for the bush. Children are asked to bring a gold coin and the proceeds will go to the Bush Fire Appeal. The children can wear their bush clothing to the Bush Dance in the evening.



BUSH DANCE UPDATE

A huge thank-you to Jo (Oscar 1RN) for procuring food donations for the Bush Dance on Friday! As well as having the BBQ set up for anyone wanting to bring their own meat etc, we will also be hosting a sausage sizzle and have falafel and dips available with donations for food going towards our Bushfire Appeal. Many thanks to Coles Supermarket Elsternwick, Brumby's Bakery South Caulfield Junction and Marmaris II, Turkish Take Away at 398a Hawthorn Road for supporting us so generously.

We'll need some helpers to set-up, cook and prepare the sausages and to collect the donations. Contact Voni (Faith 1RN) Chris McM (Michelle 56S).

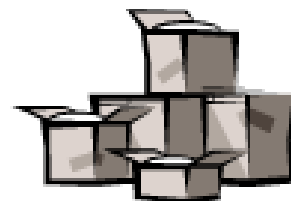
Small boxes are wanted!

Dear Grade 2/3/4 parents & students

In the art class the students are going to create a tower sculpture from small boxes. The students will learn balance and weight, joining techniques and from them. Please donate all boxes (smaller than A4 size). We need a lot. You will find a container to put them in outside the art room.

Akiko Macdonald

Grade 2/3/4 Art teacher



RECYCLING

The preps are seeking the help of enthusiastic recyclers in the CPS Community! Please bring food boxes, wrap roll cylinders (no toilet rolls please), plastic bottles and lids, foam trays to the Heritage building (large plastic containers for sorting will be in the rear foyer) so we can reuse and recycle when completing Materials and Technology activities.

Thank you

UNIFORM SHOP

Size 6 short sleeved polo shirts are now available. We are still waiting for the long sleeved tops. Notice will be in the newsletter and on the notice board. Please see Tania in the uniform shop.

Iris (Rona 00A) has kindly agreed to help out in the uniform shop. Please make her welcome and we thank her for her support.

We still would like someone to come for 15 minutes in the afternoon - any day you are free to help out would be appreciated.

Tania

LITERACY WORKING BEE

Many thanks to all of the parents and teachers who helped at the working bee on Monday. We have sorted out take home reading and guided reading texts and our next working bee will be labelling book boxes for each of the sets. A time and date will be advised and we would love as many helpers as possible.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Nomination forms for the School Council are available from the school office. They must be filled in and returned to the school office by 4.00 pm on Monday February 23rd.

Wildlife Experts say that more than 10,000 native animals have fallen victim to the bushfire tragedy.

HOW CAN WE HELP?

Towels, blankets, wool jumpers and pillowcases

WRAP have emailed us to say that these are always in demand at times like this as they can be made into pouches and bedding. Please, check at home to see if you have any that can be spared for these poor animals.

We will have a special box outside Ms Naughton's classroom (1RN) and in the front office for you to drop donations.

THANK YOU FOR CARING

For more information as to how you can help, including adopting an orphan, please go to:

<http://www.wrap.org.au>

PARENTS & FRIENDS CLUB NEWS

We had a great turn-out at our first meeting on Friday 13th February. It was nice to meet so many new parents! It was an informal meeting to share a bit about what the Parents & Friends Club does, the fundraisers we operate and the responsibilities of the office bearers and other roles. Many people stepped forward to offer support for various positions and committees and we are grateful!

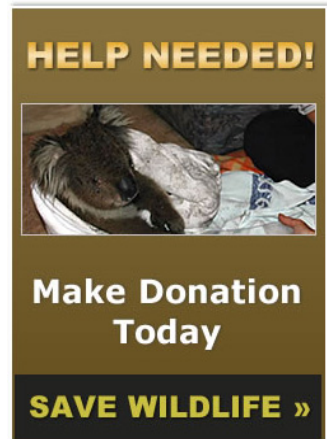
We will have our Annual General Meeting on Friday March 6th to elect new office bearers. The Responsibilities of each office bearer, as per the Parents Victoria Information Kit:

President:

The President is the spokesperson for the club and often represents the club at official functions. The President has an important role in generating enthusiasm and interest in the club. She or he is facilitator and often the mediator of the group. The president of the club acts as chairperson of meetings and it is his or her duty to make sure that meetings are conducted in an orderly fashion. For more information or to express your interest, please speak to one of our past Presidents Nicole (Tristan 1RN), Claire (Dan 56S and Adam 00A) or Chris (Michelle 56S).

Secretary:

The main tasks of secretary are preparation of minutes, agenda and dealing with correspondence. The secretary is also usually responsible for practical arrangements relating to meetings e.g. ensuring adequate seating and refreshments. For more information or to express your interest, please speak to Meg (Harrison 2HC).



Treasurer:

It is the treasurer's responsibility to keep accurate accounts of receipts and expenditure, to supply a statement of finances to the meetings, to prepare an annual financial statement which should be audited and the bank monies received. (At our school, the treasurer works closely with Therese in the office, who handles the accounting.) For more information or to express your interest, please speak to Sue (Tomo 34P).

Some other positions which require help urgently are:

- class representatives (see below)
- buildings & grounds,
- fundraising coordinators (particularly for terms 1 and 2 cake stalls),
- hospitality assistance at events & meetings,
- someone to assist Marg with school banking.

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

A big round of applause to the following for stepping forward to be class representatives:

- OOA - Carolyn (Chloe & Zara)
- 1RN - JoAnne (Oscar)
- 2HC - Meg (Harrison)
- 34P - Liza (Sol & Freya 1RN)

Class reps will be working on collecting and updating details for class contact lists over the next couple of weeks. We **still need reps** for the **Kinder** classes, **OOV** (Victoria's Prep class) and **56S**.

A reminder that **SUSHI ORDERS** are due at 9.00 am on Friday 20th February! Get your order forms and exact change or cheque to Sachiko (Louise 1RN & Christopher 56S) ASAP! A big thanks to Sachiko for coordinating!

Lisa (Zoe 1RN) 0466 355 144 & Nicole (Tristan 1RN)

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<http://au.groups.yahoo.com/group/ClubPurple5489>
<http://cpslibrary.wikispaces.com>
www.justice.vic.gov.au/workingwithchildren
www.parentsvictoria.asn.au

NEW PARENTS TEA

Parents & Friends Club will be hosting a tea to meet and get to know ALL the new parents at our school - Kinder, Prep and new parents in other classes. Younger siblings are welcome to come along. Please join us in welcoming these new families after drop-off in the library on Friday February 27th.

MURASAKA SCHOOL VISIT BBQ

On Tuesday 17th March we will be hosting visitors from Murasaka School in Japan. Helpers are needed for coordinating the BBQ. Please see Akiko.

THE MYSTERIOUS CASE OF THE DISAPPEARING TROLLEY

At the end of T.4 2008, P&F Club purchased a convertible upright/flatbed trolley. This was stored and last seen locked in the P&FC shed in 2008, but strangely missing this year. If anyone has information leading to its whereabouts, your assistance will be greatly appreciated. Please inform the office or Mrs Muir.

DATES OF SCHOOL YEAR 2009

Term 1- Monday February 2nd - Friday April 3rd

Term 2 -Monday April 20th - Friday June 26th

Term 3 -Monday July 13th - Friday September 18th

Term 4 -Monday October 5th - Friday December 18th

Please note: Report Writing Day is Friday June 12th 2009.

Children do not attend school on this day.

OSAKA TWILIGHT FESTIVAL

The Osaka Twilight Festival will be held on Sunday February 22nd from 4.00 pm to 8.00 pm in the Treasury Gardens, East Melbourne.

Fun for the entire family including a Tea Ceremony, Japanese Dancing and kimono contests. Come along and try some Japanese food, music and games.

Thanks to the Japanese Club of Melbourne.

This is a free event.



Glen Eira Junior Soccer Club

Whether or not you have played before, we have a place for you.

All you need is a desire to play soccer.

Registration: Mackie Reserve

Mackie Rd/Tudor St.

East Bentleigh

Mel. 69 C12

For more information: 0418 316 492



CAULFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL MUSIC PROGRAM

If you would like your child/ren to participate in the programme in 2009, the contact details of the instrumental music teachers are listed below. Alternatively, you could ask for a Music Programme information pack from the office.

Recorder/Wind instruments

Peter Malberg

Ph: 9515 3354

Mob: 0413 961 693

Guitar/Violin/ Ukulele

Ron Allen

Ph: 9380 2982

FREE FILM SCREENING

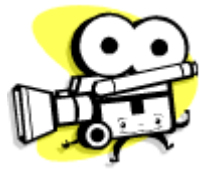
Presented in association with the Sustainable Living Festival

"THE LORAX"

"I am the Lorax. I speak for the trees. I speak for the trees, for the trees have no tongues." If you're having trouble seeing the wood for the trees, revisit this classic and prophetic Dr Seuss tale of a young boy being explained the interrelationships of all things.

Admission to this screening is free as part of the Sustainable Living Festival. Screening at ACMI, Federation Square

Sat 21st Feb 2 pm. Sun 22nd Feb 3 pm



VICTORIAN PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

Welcome to the 2009 Challenge!



About the 2009 Challenge

Who?

All Victorian students in Prep to Year 10, including students who learn at home.

Why?

The Challenge aims to promote a love of reading. It is not a competition, but a challenge to each student.

When?

The 2009 Challenge will open on Monday 2 February and close on Monday 31 August. ALL STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE A CONSENT FORM FOR PARENTS TO COMPLETE.



2009 Book list liftout

The Premier's Reading Challenge book list was published in a lift out with the Sunday Age on Sunday, 15 February 2009.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

This week Sophie Z (age 8), Baris O(6) and Edward G(12) will be celebrating their birthdays. We wish them all a very happy day and Many Happy Turns.



Parents, are you thinking about returning to work or study?

What Next-Career Planning for Parents

Identify your current skills, knowledge, interests, values, and possibilities for the future. Explore career and life options and develop personal goals and plans. Gain assistance to apply for work or study. Develop self esteem, assertiveness, stress and time management skills and how to present confidently.

Course details

South Melbourne - Mondays 9.45am-2.45pm for 10 weeks starting March. No classes in school holidays.

No cost for eligible parents

This course is fully funded by the State Government. You need to be a parent, have been at home caring for a child, not currently working more than 6.5 hours per week and have not had more than four months paid work or the part-time equivalent, or been undertaking accredited education or training, in the past two years. You must also be a permanent resident of Australia, and have not previously had a State Government PRTE or PRTW training grant.

Phone AEIC 9895 1666 or email soliver@aeic.asn.au

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Dan E's Great Opportunity

On Saturday 14th February I went to the Etihad stadium. When I got there I went to gate 2 to go into the stadium under the Supervision of someone called Erin, she took care of me. When I got inside I changed into a Melbourne Victory kit and met the Adelaide mascot Fulor and the other Melbourne mascot, which was little James Muscat. After we changed we waited at the start of the place where the players come out and saw Victory players, Adelaide players and the Refs. When the players were ready we walked out on to

the pitch. It was nerve racking but fun. After that we had a minutes silence in honour of the bush fire victims. Then we had the coin toss, which Melbourne won so we shot to the left, and Adelaide the right, then I went off and went back to my parents, then Melbourne won 4-0.



ICYPOLES

Due to a Departmental directive, "sweets" are NOT to be sold in canteens, so the Grade Sixes will only be selling Icycoles after school and not during lunch times.

FRUITY FRIDAYS



To promote health and wellbeing at the school going to be selling watermelon wedges instead of Icycoles on Friday for 50c. This will happen every Friday. Thank you Cathy, (Ross's Mum) for helping us in this endeavour.

Grade Sixes