

Newsletter

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WHAT'S ON AT SCHOOL

JUNE

Friday 12 th	Report Writing Day	No School
Tuesday 16 th	School Council	7 pm
Wednesday 17 th	Soccer Gala	56s Princes Park
Friday 19 th	Parents & Friends Meeting	9.15am Library
Wednesday 24 th	Term 3 Sushi orders due.	
Friday 26 th	Reports distributed End of Term	2.30 Finish
JULY		
Tues & Wed 21 st & 22 nd	Parent/teacher/student Interviews	

PUPIL FREE DAY - TOMORROW

The recently negotiated Victorian Government Schools Agreement determined that Friday, June 12th 2009 is to be a pupil free day. Parents must make their own arrangements for their children.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Expectations for student learning

During the past 7 weeks every student at our school has been given the opportunity by their teachers to produce their best possible work so that the judgements teachers make about each child's development is accurate. This is a very important part of a teachers work and we know that you as parents are keen to know the outcomes in the students' reports.

Each child is assessed using a variety of methods and tools and the teachers make a consistent judgement from these. If you can take the time please pop on to our school website www.caulfieldps.vic.edu.au and go to the curriculum page and click on the parent handbook where there is a clear description of the basic skills in each level that your child should be achieving and which areas are assessed at which level.

There is an expectation that all students will achieve the basic requirement and this puts them in the "C" category. If your child is here they have met the basic requirement but at Caulfield Primary we know that there are many children who should and can reach a "B" or

an "A" being either 6 or 12 months ahead of the basic requirement. Challenging our students to reach for these higher levels is made possible when the basics are cemented in firm foundations, the students feel safe and connected to school and the students have been exposed to a broad neural development through the language immersion program, the creative arts and healthy living.

Students who fail to reach the minimum standard must be given every opportunity to build on their strengths and develop a strong work ethic to achieve. This is where the teachers, parents and associated personnel must work together to improve the child's chances of successful learning and set them up for future success.

When you get the report make sure you understand where your child's achievement is and what can be done to support or challenge further development.

Some parents are amazed when a child who has been travelling quite well all of a sudden reaches a difficult patch. This often happens because of the cumulative effect of not keeping pace with the developmental continuum or missing a vital building block through absence, illness or an emotional change in the child's life. Please make sure that both you and your child are keen and excited with the prospect that you can work with the teacher to bridge any gaps that arise.

We look forward to seeing all parents at the parent /teacher/ student interviews early next term and that we use them productively to improve the expectations of your child's development.

Take care,
Suzanne Muir,
Principal

GREAT EXPECTATIONS

We are all delighted with the news that our staff members Victoria and Akiko will be taking Maternity leave later in the year. We wish them lots of happiness.



UNIFORM SHOP

We are open before school Mondays with Iris and before and after school on Thursdays. We still need another helper. It is only 15 minutes before and after school any day you are available.

Winter stock is slowly arriving and we apologise if you are still awaiting items. Please come in and check as stock is arriving every week. School vests are great for winter but must be specially ordered. They take about 14 days to arrive so put in your order now. The cost is \$45.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy Birthday this week to Sharnelle A-B who will be 12, and Aiden B(6) and Harvey D (11). We hope they each have a great day for their birthday and wish them Many Happy Returns.



RUBBISH FREE LUNCH DAY

The results of our Rubbish Free Lunch day showed that the students reduced the amount of rubbish by 50%. Well done!!!



PARENTS & FRIENDS CLUB NEWS

Next meeting of the Parents and Friends Club is on Friday June 19th at 9.15 am. All parents and friends of the school are welcome to attend.

"Thank you to all who baked goodies and made crafts to sell. Everyone that stopped by the stall was impressed with how great everything looked - everything was so beautifully packaged! Thanks to the following for helping with set-up, selling and clean-up: Carolyn (OOA), Chris (56S), Meg (Kinder & 2CL), Claire (OOA & 56S), Sanja (OOA), Sonya (OOA), Loretta (OOA & 34P), Voni (1RN), Melanie (OOA), Cathy (Kinder & 34P), Anna & Chris (OOV), Anna (1RN & 34P), Dolly (OOV)."

Tupperware, Wine & Cheese Night

Please come and join us for a fundraiser 'Wine, Cheese & Tupperware' night on **Thursday 25th June 7.30pm**...put that date in your diary. More details to follow in next week's newsletter and look for the posters around the school grounds.

Carolyn (Chloe & Zara OOA)

HEAD LICE

They are back again and very difficult to eliminate. Once again, we ask all parents to take care and check their own child's hair and if lice or eggs are present, please follow the procedure to rid your child's hair of these pests.

SUSHI LUNCH ORDERS

Orange Sushi Subscription notices were sent home with the students. Please return your orders to the office by Wednesday June 24th. No late orders can be accepted.



THANK YOU

Prep OOV made beautiful coloured posters to say thanks for the fruit donated for Caulfield Primary School's recent Walk Safely to School Breakfast. Sevi and Zbada from Glen Huntly Fruit Shop were so impressed by the student's posters that they are on display over 2 walls of the shop.



DATES OF SCHOOL YEAR 2009

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.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Please return payment for Entertainment Books to the office as soon as possible, and return any books you do not wish to keep.

OPEN DAY

A big thank you to all the families and staff who assisted us at the Open day. It was lovely to see so many visitors and to meet the families for future years. Special thanks to the "cooks" who did a great job cooking those sausages!!!!

FAMILY PICNIC.

SATURDAY JUNE 20TH. AT ALLNUTT PARK -
WHEATLEY ROAD BENTLEIGH. - 11.30
ONWARDS.

All families received a note about this during the week. Please put this date in your diary.

It is a great opportunity for all the Kinder. families to get to know each other and we look forward to seeing every one there!



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Caulfield Primary School and Early Childhood Centre have Entertainment Books available. Early Childhood Centre (Kindergarten) Parents are welcome to join us in this fundraiser. Please phone Sanja on 0415 227 463 for further details.

