

Newsletter

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WHAT'S ON AT SCHOOL		
OCTOBER		
Thursday 29 th	Disco Tonight	Grades Prep - 2 5.30 - 7pm Grades 3 - 6 7.30 - 9.30 pm
Friday 30 th	Free Dress Day	Gold Coin donation
NOVEMBER		
Monday 2 nd	T Towel Orders Due	3.30 pm
Tuesday 3 rd	Melbourne Cup Day	Public Holiday - no School
Wednesday 4 th	Bi-Lingual Principals Meeting Soccer Gala Day (Reschedule) 'Toys and More' Orders due	9.30am - 1.00 pm Gr2-4 8.45 - 3.30pm 3.30 pm
Thursday 5 th	Prep Orientation Session Whole School Transition	9.15 - 10.45 am 9.15 - 10.45 am
Friday 6 th	Netball Parents Club Meeting	Grade 5/6 8.30 am - 3.30 9.15 am Library
Monday 9 th	"Don't Move" Puppet show & Workshop	Kindergarten - 2 Show 9 30 am Workshop Prep 11.30 - 1.10 Grades 1/2 1.45 - 3.30
Tuesday 10 th	Shrine Excursion Budget Meeting	Grades 3 - 6 9.00 am - 1pm 6.00 pm Followed by School Council 7.30 pm
Thursday 12 th	Prep Orientation Session Whole School Transition	9.15 - 10.45 am 9.15 - 10.45 am
Friday 13 th	Mango Orders Due	9.00 am
Monday 16 th	Chocolate money due	3.30 pm
Friday 20 th	Prep Orientation Session Whole School Transition	2 - 3.30 pm
Saturday 21 st	Garden Working Bee	10 am - noon
Friday 27 th	Prep Orientation Session Whole School Transition	2 - 3.30 pm

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the Cup Day public holiday, submissions for next week's newsletter must be in the office by Monday November 2nd.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT- POLICIES AND PROTOCOLS

All government schools are supported by a system which makes sure there are policies and protocols around nearly every conceivable event or decision that is taken at the school level.

Caulfield Primary is constantly reviewing these directions and are always open to receive feedback or indeed just have those relationship building conversations that happen when people get an informal chance to chat.

It is one of the lovely aspects of a smaller and more intimate environment that we have at Caulfield.

During the past weeks the teachers have been using their knowledge about their students to start thinking about class configurations for 2010. The staff know your children and their needs extremely well and when it comes to providing the best learning environment, as professionals it is very important for them to get it right.

We have come up with a raft of options and will be testing them out during the orientation sessions planned for November. As you all remember this is the time when the new preps and parents are welcomed into our school and just as importantly it is the time when we prepare the students for their next year of learning.

While the new preps enjoy their first experiences all the other students will be given experimental groups in new settings with new teachers. None of these are finalised until after the 4 weeks of orientation, the last one on November 27th when the staff will collectively work out the best scenarios for all.

The first orientation into 2010 is Thursday 5th November and it is very important from a parent point of view that they enjoy this experimentation time with their children and help them make the best of the opportunity. Please make sure the child knows that nothing is confirmed and that it is an opportunity to get to know more teachers and children. With this process in place all children are excited about their next year setting and look forward to their new grouping. Maintain the joy and adventure.

Take care,

Suzanne Muir

Principal

BI-LINGUAL SCHOOLS PRINCIPAL'S MEETING

On Wednesday November 4th the Principals of the Bi-Lingual Schools will be meeting at Caulfield Primary School to share ideas and to visit our school. It is a wonderful opportunity for us to welcome visitors who conduct Bi-Lingual programs in their own schools of various languages.

The principals will visit classes to see our program in action and will have the chance to have morning tea together to share their observations and time for discussion.

DATES OF SCHOOL YEAR 2009

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

DATES FOR 2010

STAFF RESUME January 27th 2010

Students Commence Monday February 1st 2010

INTRODUCTION OF THE VICTORIAN STUDENT NUMBER

Our school is working with the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development to allocate a Victorian Student Number (VSN) to each student at the school.

The VSN is a student identification number that is being assigned to all students in government and non-government schools, and students in Vocational Education and Training Institutions. The number, which is unique to each student, will be used as a key identifier on a student's school records, and will remain with the student throughout his or her education, until reaching the age of 25. The VSN is nine digits long, randomly assigned, and tied to stable information about the student (name, gender, date of birth).

The introduction of the Victorian Student Number will provide the capability to accurately detect patterns of student movement through, and departure from, the Victorian education and training system. It will greatly improve the collection and analysis of timely and accurate data about education in Victoria. The Department collects information to track improvements made to the education system, identify areas that require further improvement, and to analyse trends and identify future needs. The VSN will improve the accuracy, reliability and completeness of this information, providing a better basis for assessing needs and developing policies to meet them.

You will see the VSN appear on student report cards, enrolment confirmations, and exit confirmations.

If you want to know more about the VSN please see

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/management/governance/vsn/overview.htm>

PETER PAN TEA TOWELS

Orders for the Tea Towels and the 'Toys and More' can be handed in at the office. Please see Victoria if you have any questions.

Come to Caulfield Primary Schools Halloween Disco TONIGHT!!!!

Date: Thursday 29 October 2009

Time: Preps-Grade 2s 5:30-7:00 Grade 3s-Grade6s 7:30-9:30

Place: Japanese Room

Entry fee \$1.00

Selling:

Glow-sticks	50¢
Chip Packets	\$1.00
Drinks	\$1.00
Lollies	50 cents - \$2.00



Raffle:

We will be holding a raffle for all grades.

Preps-Grade 2s Prize: 2 Family Vouchers for the MSAC Valued at \$20 each

Grade 3s-Grade 6s Prize: A Family Voucher for Luna Park Valued at \$120

Raffle tickets are 50¢ each.

Competition

Best Costume: A Scary surprise

Parents' Fun:

There will be a 'cocktail party' for the parents with hot and cold beverages and wine and soda etc. Please B.Y.O

Prizes: Vouchers, Lollies, Costumes, Fake Teeth, Jewellery and Loads More Spooky Stuff

**O.S.H.C.**

Our Active After School Programme is running well. Everyone is welcome. Mondays after school we have yoga sessions and the outdoors session in the late afternoon sunshine was thoroughly enjoyed. Thursdays we have mega multi-sport with child nutritionist Adam Sacks. Children are enjoying the programs and everyone is still welcome to come along and join in. Please book on 9523 7239,

Thank you,
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GARDEN WORKING BEE

Saturday November 21st 10 am - 12 noon

To weed and mulch the front along Glen Huntly Road and playground garden on the east boundary. We conduct one working bee each term and if you missed joining the others this year, here is your chance! Please come along. Let Cathy (Ross 34P) know you intend to come on 0412 119 807 or just turn up. It is fun to make a difference.

UNIFORM SHOP

Welcome to Term 4. In Terms 1 and 4 there is a policy of "No Hat No Play". Any children who need a new hat, they are \$14 and available from the Uniform Shop. Summer stock is slowly arriving so come and have a look. The uniform Shop is open Mondays and Thursdays before and after school and Friday after school. We hope to see you soon.

Tania and Iris

WALKTOBER WOW

Walk to school on Wednesdays. Teachers are recording when students walk each Wednesday. Walk 5 times this term and go into the draw for the WOW prizes at the end of the term.

FUND RAISING

Please return all unsold chocolates and money raised to the office by Monday November 16th.



**Did you attend
Caulfield Primary School
in 1972-1979?**

We need your Help!

The bushfire lost photo appeal is a voluntary group based in Whittlesea that sources photos for people who lost theirs in the Black Saturday Bushfires.

MICHELE TYLER attended the Primary school in 1972 thru to 1979 and we are hoping some of you may have school or personal photos which include her.

If you are able to help us we would love to hear from you.

Email us on photos@disasterhelpsite.com or call Angela on 9715 1310 or Jenny on 9717 5166

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy Birthday today to twins Chloe & Zara P and Tyrone V who all turn 6 today, and on Saturday to Crystal P who turns 9. We wish them all a great day for their birthdays and Many Happy Returns.



PARENTS & FRIENDS CLUB NEWS

- TONIGHT! Please join us in the library for a coffee or glass of wine while the kids are at the disco! Please bring a plate, we have left-over wine from the production plus coffee and tea. Gold coin donations graciously accepted!
- **Next week P&FC will be meeting** in the library @ 9.15 Friday morning to plan our **last Cake & Craft stall of the year**. We hope to make this a big, fun, exciting fundraiser with the addition of a raffle, a sausage sizzle and maybe even a coffee or gelato van ... so we NEED A LOT OF HELP PLANNING!! Please join us! All are welcome at our meetings - the more participation the better!

- We hope to have a lot of **lovely crafts** for sale at our Cake & Craft stall in December and we know we have a lot of crafty folks in our community - please start creating now so we will have a lot of items to sell at the stall!
- **Save the Date!** - Thursday 3 December 6.30pm-9.30 pm we will be hosting a "Getting Glamorous" evening fundraiser ... mark it in your diaries ladies!
- MANGOES and CHOCOLATES fundraisers are underway! Mango orders are due on Friday 13th **9am**. Money from sale of chocolates is due in on Monday 16th.

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<http://cpslibrary.wikispaces.com>

www.justice.vic.gov.au/workingwithchildren

www.parentsvictoria.asn.au



Halloween raffle

Raffle tickets are 50c each so come on and buy a ticket or two before and after school. If you buy a ticket you might win a family pass to Luna Park or two family passes to MSAC.

The raffle ends on Thursday the 29th of October. The winner will receive the prizes at the Halloween dance.

The Luna park family pass will go to any of the year 3 to year 6's and the two MSAC family passes will be up for grabs to Preps to Year 2.

CAULFIELD PRIMARY EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRE

THREE YEAR OLD GROUP NEWS

'ANIMALS ON THE MOVE'

Visiting the three year old Kinder groups on Friday October 30th

The children will be able to see, hold and feed a variety of farm animals.

Vicki.

