PFA NEWS
Jade Thomas will be providing parents with a comprehensive report on Monday’s PFA meeting. It was a very productive meeting with progress being made on the planning for our Fathers’ Day Stall to be held on Thursday 31st August. In addition, it was agreed to reschedule the Fun Run to a date yet to be confirmed in term 4, rather than in term 3 - when the weather is likely to be much better. The fun run this year will be held on much the same course as we conduct our cross-country run – that is taking in the Cyril Molyneux Reserve, the parkland behind the reserve and our school oval. By mid to late October those parkland areas should be much drier and are preferable to having children running around the concrete pathways of our school.

SHORT TERM PARKING IN THE BUS BAY
I can understand why parents may choose this option to drop their children off at school in the morning and pick them up after school, but you do risk being booked for doing so. Please take this into account if, and when, you may next be tempted to do so.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ’s)
Q. Will the school be seeking parent feedback on the changes made to student reporting?
A. Yes we will – the next couple of weeks. In particular, we are interested in your opinions regarding the changes made to the ratings and the degree to which they make sense and whether you believe this change is an improvement. We are also interested in your feedback on our communication with you explaining the changes.

QUOTABLE QUOTE
‘Friendship pays all debts’

Henry Groszek
DIARY DATES

Wednesday 19th - Friday 21st July  
Prep - Grade 2 Swimming Program  
Wednesday 26th - Friday 28th July  
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Friday 28th July  
2017 Divisional Soccer  
Monday 31st July  
Grade 3/4 Hooptime Basketball competition  
Tuesday 1st August  
Grade 3-6 International Competitions & 
Assessments for Schools (ICAS) - English comp  
Wednesday 9th - Friday 11th August  
Grade 6 Swimming lessons  
Wednesday 16th - Friday 18th August  
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Wednesday 16th August - Friday 18th August  
Grade 3 and 4 Camp to Phillip Island  
Thursday 24th August  
Wakakirri Story Dance - Frankston Art Centre  
Saturday 16th September  
State Schools Spectacular

NOTICES DUE BACK

Wednesday 1st August  
Grade 6 Swimming lessons  
Wednesday 14th August  
State School Spectacular rehearsal  
Narre Warren P-12

HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER?

Please ensure you let the school office know if you have changed address or updated mobile phones with new numbers. This information alleviates stressful situations for students when they are ill and we cannot contact parents
**PLANET ARK DAY – MONDAY 31ST JULY**

On Monday 31st July, our whole school will be participating in Planet Ark National Tree Day. At our Monday morning assembly, you will be able to see all the colours of the rainbow as the Junior School Council are conducting a ‘Rainbow Dress up Day’. All students are encouraged to dress in a colour from the rainbow and bring a gold coin donation. The money raised will be used by the JSC to develop an area of the new Sensory Garden. On the day, students will be involved in planting a range of seeds, seedlings and plants on this day. Parents are welcome to assist with planting activities, please speak with your child’s teacher. A BIG THANKYOU to Berwick Toyota and Bunnings Fountain Gate for supporting our Planet Ark Day and providing seeds, seedlings, tube stock and materials for this day. We look forward to a fantastic day!

**PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2018**

We are currently taking enrolments for 2018 and encourage families with children commencing school in 2018 to ensure that they have made contact with the school regarding enrolment. All families with siblings starting Prep in 2018 should have received an enrolment form, if not, please contact the office. We appreciate your assistance in returning the Prep enrolment forms as soon as possible to assist with our planning. If you have any queries regarding enrolment, please contact the school.

**SINGAPORE TRIP**

Our final parent information evening was held last night and we have 16 very excited students who will be flying to Singapore on Thursday 3rd to Thursday 10th August. Sandra McCrum, Angela Maskery, Nick Pryor and Robert Kelly are accompanying the students. We will visit Tampines Primary school and experience many different cultural activities including celebrating Singapore’s National Day. Please look out for the Singapore Blog on the school website to see our adventures!

**ROBO CUP TOURNAMENT**

We had 17 very excited students travel to Ballarat on Tuesday to participate in the regional robotics competition. The students participated in Riley Rescue and the Dance competition. By all accounts, the students had a fun and enjoyable day!

**HOOP TIME – GRADE 3/4**

On Monday, some of our grade 3/4 students will be participating in a Hoop Time basketball tournament. We wish them good luck and thank the parents for assisting on the day, the grade 6 coaches and Miss Craig for organising the event. We look forward to hearing how they go upon their return to school!

**ANXIETY RECOVERY CENTRE VICTORIA – PARENT SEMINAR**

‘Mindful parenting: developing a resilient family’

Held at Kallista Primary School on Thursday 3rd August 6.30pm-8.30pm.

Topics covered include: the role of parenting, parental expectation, when worry becomes anxiety, strategies to manage anxiety, mindfulness, trouble-shooting-where to go for further help and support.

Tickets at the door $5.

**CPR UPDATE**

On Monday, staff will be completing their annual CPR update training after school. We now have a defibrillator located in the sick bay area and staff will receive training on how to operate a defibrillator as part of their training. Learning CPR is a valuable skill and you never know when you may be required to use this knowledge to assist saving a life.

Sandra McCrum and Angela Maskery
Helmeted Honey Eater Ambassador Program
report from Max, Chelsi, Lachlan and Malaika.

On Thursday 20th July we went to the Yellingbo indigenous nursery. We met Michelle; she is a horticulturalist who works with plants. While we were there, we planted baby seedlings, which grow into a shrub with purple berries, and the helmeted honeyeater likes eating these. We met many volunteers who help at the nursery. We planted seeds, seedlings and cuttings. Altogether, we planted about 1000 plants. The plants when ready are planted within the Yellingbo reserve or sold through the nursery. Yellingbo aims to plant 100,000 plants a year but currently they have planted 80 to 85 thousand. They would love to get up to 120,000 plants a year. Igloos are a giant dome shape hot house that they grow plants inside for the nursery. The igloo is 21 degrees inside and this helps the plants grow. There are 14,000 plants in each igloo. In the igloos, we found there is a lichen and moss that takes over some of the pots and stops the original plant from growing. They cover the top of the pots with a special mulch to stop the lichen growing and they spray vinegar and hot water onto the weed and moss to prevent this happening. The lichen grows if the soil is too wet. In the igloos, they have automatic sprinklers that go on twice a day. This waters all of the plants. They have a sensor and when that dries out the sprinklers come on. Michele showed us all of the seeds they collect. There is so many dandelion seeds in one jar you cannot even count them all. We also saw so many seeds and the mice like to eat them. They keep the seeds in jars and containers and locked in a shed. Some seeds were very tiny and some looked like paper. The dandelion seed was like a parachute and could float down to the ground very slowly. When the seeds are dried, the pods split open and release the seeds. They collect the seeds at different times of the year. The Hakea is a tree that we were planting cuttings from. We had to cut Hakea pieces and strip the leaves off the bottom and then plant them into a special soil. Did you know that the Hakea’s leaves are sharp? All the pieces we cut and planted will grow into new plants. Each of the plants we planted may take at least 6 months to grow before they put them out into the nursery or plant them in the reserve. We had a great day and enjoyed helping plant lots of plants, doing something good for the environment and the Helmeted Honeyeater.

PLANET ARK NATIONAL TREE DAY – MONDAY 31ST JULY

On Monday, our school will participate in Planet Ark Day. All grades will have the opportunity to plant seeds and seedlings with their class. Some Garden club students will be planting 100 natives within the school grounds. Our JSC are supporting this day with a ‘rainbow dress up day’ and a gold coin donation going towards the Sensory garden. Planet Ark Day is a great day to raise awareness about connecting with nature. Each year, Planet Ark commissions research about the benefits to children to be in a natural environment. This year some of the key findings from the report “Learning from Trees” are:

- 60% of teachers ranked critical thinking and problem solving, grit and resilience and emotional intelligence as the most important skills for the future. These same skills were identified as students’ weakest, with grit being the weakest overall
- Research shows outdoor learning helps grow problem solving, grit, emotional intelligence and key educational outcomes, both during and outside of school hours
- Nature ignites passion, inspiration, creativity and purpose and plays an important role in the cognitive, emotional and physical development of children.

To read the whole report, please follow the link:

For further information about Planet Ark day and to view beautiful photos taken by award winning photographer and Planet Ark ambassador, Steve Parish please visit the website: http://treeday.planetark.org/

Happy Gardening,
Mrs. McCrum.
JSC NEWS

PLANET ARK DAY!

On the 31st of July, we are having a fundraiser for Planet Ark Day. It is a gold coin donation and we are raising money for a special feature in our new sensory garden.

Each year level has been given a different colour:
- Prep: RED
- Grade 1: ORANGE
- Grade 2: YELLOW
- Grade 3: GREEN
- Grade 4: BLUE
- Grade 5: PURPLE
- Grade 6: PINK

PFA NEWS

Second Hand Uniform Shop - Opening Days/Roster

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The 2017 Berwick Lodge Film Festival will be held on
Monday 11th September 2017
At The Drum Theatre, Dandenong

Please come along and “walk the red carpet” before watching new, exciting films produced by our Grade 5/6 students.

Tickets on sale
Monday 14th August 2017 from 7.00am

For tickets contact
www.drumtheatre.com.au
or Drum Theatre on
8571 1666
Due to amendments to the Working with Children Act 2005, from Tuesday 1st August, all parents helping within the school, including morning reading in classrooms will require a working with children card. This needs to be current and registered with the office. If you have not applied for a card and you want to be able to assist with reading or other activities within the school, please do so via the link:

Exciting reasons to keep saving with School Banking.

Welcome back to school for Term 3. It’s great to see School Bankers showing continued saving efforts through the first half of the year.

Don’t miss out on the Grand Prize competition ending this term!
To be in the running for a family trip to Tokyo Disneyland, children need to make 15 or more School Banking deposits between 23 January 2017 and the end of Term 3.

New reward items available in Term 3
After making 10 School Banking deposits, children can now choose to redeem the Smiley Emoji Keyring or the Volt Handball.

Keep track of savings and tokens with the CommBank Youth app
To help enhance the financial education of children, we’ve introduced the CommBank Youth app, available on any iOS 9.0+ device from the App Store. This innovative banking app gives kids hands-on experience in learning real-life money skills in a safe and fun digital environment. It also provides a new way for School Bankers to keep track of their Dollamites tokens.

PLUS EXCITING GAMES TO PLAY AND PRIZES TO WIN

On Monday 14 August 2017 we will be launching an exciting School Banking competition with prizes to win and an incredible game experience. Your school will receive more details soon, so stay tuned.

More information about CommBank’s School Banking program and the CommBank Youth app is available at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking
Beaconsfield Cricket Club Registration Day
Friday 28th July From 5pm

Beaconsfield CC Clubrooms, Perc Allison Reserve Beaconsfield
Players wanted for U11, U13, U15 & U17 Junior Teams
also Senior Turf & Synthetic Competitions

For all enquiries please contact
Damien Perrone on 0418 514 582 or email secretary@beaconsfieldcc.com.au
or Andrew Guthrie (Junior Co-ordinator) on 0409 074 578
Macclesfield Landcare Group

National Tree Planting Day
Sunday July 30th 9:30am to 4:30pm
at Oxford Downs, 19 Oxford Downs Rd. Macclesfield

Macclesfield Landcare Group is working with Friends of Helmeted Honeyeater, Port Phillip and Westernport Catchment Management Authority and Melbourne Water on the restoration of Helmeted Honeyeater habitat along the Woori Yallock Creek.

The Oxford Downs project forms a node in the Yellingbo to Butterfield program.

The day will be broken into 4 planting sessions – plant for an hour or plant for the day.
Lunch, morning and afternoon tea provided.
Emerse in the stunning vista of the Woori Yallock Creek riparian zone magnificently presented at the Oxford Downs site

Family friendly agenda:
➢ 9:00am: Registration opens
➢ 9:30am: Project Briefing, Activity objectives and Safety Briefing
➢ 9:45am: Planting Commences
➢ 11:00am: Morning Tea, with repeat of briefings for latecomers
➢ 11:15am: More Planting
➢ 12:30pm: Lunch with repeat of briefings for afternoon planters
➢ 1:15pm: More Planting
➢ 2:45pm: Afternoon Tea with repeat of briefings if required
➢ 3:00pm: More Planting
➢ 4:30pm: Pack up and Close

RSVP with your name, number attending and dietary requirements:
➢ Email macclesfieldlandcare@livs.com.au
➢ Phone Judy on 9782-0304 and leave a message.

Free event for members and non members.
Join Macclesfield Landcare on the day, just $15 per property per year.
Help shape the future of Macclesfield Landcare – join the Committee.
To be cancelled if weather forecast of extended heavy rain, thunderstorms or strong winds
Friends Of Cranbourne Libraries Inc.

BARGAIN BOOK SALE
Great Books For The Whole Family From 50¢ To $5

Saturday 12 August 2017
8:30am - 2:00pm
Cranbourne Library
Community & Conference Rooms
Cranbourne Library
65 Berwick Cranbourne Road
Melway: 134 B6

Enter Via The Casey Radio Doors
On The Main Carpark
Next To Cranbourne Library.

Enquiries: Mrs H Orego (Hon. Sec.)
T: 9998 2333 - Email: helenorego@primus.com.au

BARGAIN BOOK SALE
Stock up on some great reads for the whole family at our
calendar book sale.

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65 Berwick-Cranbourne Rd
> Casey Radio entrance
from the side carpark

Saturday 12 August
> 8.30am to 2pm
Phone: 5900 0150
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