From the Assistant Principal

Ice Cream containers
Just a reminder that if you have any spare ice cream containers, could you please wash them and place under our water taps around the school? So far about half our taps have containers. Thankyou! These containers collect the water that falls from the taps and can be reused on our gardens. It would be great if we could have one under every tap in the school by the end of term.

Unexplained Absence notes
Please return to school as soon as possible to help us update our records.

Student Birthdays this week
James M – Unit 5 – who turns 9 on the 17th June
Jacob M – Unit 4 – who turns 10 on the 17th June
Daniel H – Unit 4 – who turns 9 on the 18th June
Hamish W – Unit 4 – who turns 9 on the 20th June

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Interschool Sport
Interschool sport resumes this Friday however there will be no bat tennis or football training on this Thursday after school.
Half Time Grid Game at Etihad Stadium
Thank you to the parents and children who responded so quickly to the Half Time Grid Game at Etihad Stadium for July the 17th. Please note that it is in the first week back after the holidays. The children will need to bring runners and their camera on the night. One child and one adult pass will be given to each child attending. Therefore, I am giving you notice for all the budding spectators who want to be there to watch our champions on the field the names of our players for the night:


Congratulations guys and all the best. If there is anyone else in the 3/4 unit who would like to play please see me ASAP.

More recently we have our school soccer tournament on Friday the 5th of June and the school had a team of girls and a team of boys. A big thank you to all who participated and to Andrea’s and Susi Strasser and Alex Parsons for coaching our teams. Both teams played well with the girls ranked 6th in the district and the boys ranked 12th. Fun was had by all and that is the main purpose of children’s sport so keep up the enthusiasm.

Cheers Tania

Parent Rep Meeting Minutes
The minutes from the last Parent Representative meeting (Friday, 29 May 2009) have been posted on the general notice board in the staffroom. This is to enable any interested parents, guardians or teachers to see what issues have been discussed or actioned by Parent reps, and to gain a greater insight into the work of the group.

Minutes from all future meetings will be posted on the notice board approximately one week after each monthly meeting, and remain there until the following Parent Rep meeting.

Our next meeting date is Friday 26 June 2009. If anyone has any matter they would like discussed at this meeting, or would like further information regarding any matters contained within the minutes, please speak to a parent representative from your unit.

Reminder - Education Tax Refund
A reminder that letters to families will be sent home on the last day of term regarding the Education Tax Refund, along with reports outlining transactions paid to the school during the period 1st January to 30th June 2009. In order to do this, I will not be able to accept any payments to the school after midday on Wednesday 24th June. Further information regarding the Education Tax Refund can be found on the Australian Taxation Office website www.ato.gov.au/individuals/

Janet

Forthcoming Community Events for the month of June!
This month, there are two main events to finish a very successful term 2.

Last week a notice about a Pasta Drive was sent out to families. Alligator Pasta is made with all natural ingredients. Order forms will be sent out this week to the eldest child of each family. Delivery will be during the last week of term 2. See Susie Lauer, regarding this activity.

Also, we will be holding a Nutrimetics Lipstick Drive. Nutrimetics are selling their lipsticks during the month of June for $10 each (normally $33.50). The school will receive $2.00 for every lipstick sold! Order forms will be distributed this week with all the relevant details. See Cheryl Blair regarding this offer.

Interschool Chess Tournament!!

Where: Wesley College 577 St Kilda Rd Melbourne
When: Monday 22nd June
Cost: $15 per player
Prizes: Trophies & Medals for top teams & Individual players!

This tournament is suitable for all levels of players. The emphasis is on having fun, participating and doing your best!

For more information contact Phil on 0421 901 530 or collect an entry form from the school office!
Writing @ Ascot Vale

Our diary entries this week come from two students in Unit 1. Rosie Hannah has written an account of who came to her house and what they watched and what they ate which we can clearly read from her very neat handwriting. We can hear Rosie articulating the words she wishes to write and deduce from this that she is well on her way to becoming a very competent writer.

Jessica is one of our Prep girls who is at an early stage of her writing. Note how beautifully she has sounded out (for the purpose of writing) Emmanuel’s name. It is clear that soon Jessica will be writing very easy to read and interesting stories. Both girls are paying attention to the authorial and secretarial side of the writer.

Kids Holiday Cooking Sessions

Let’s Cook for kids is on again at the Maribyrnong Community Centre on Tuesdays (30th June and 7th July 1.30 – 3.30) and Wednesday the 8th July 10.30 – 12.30. Bookings must be made by 22nd June for the first week and 29th June for the second week. Contact Margaret on 0401 271 399.

Session costs are $25.00 per head and we make 2 recipes, usually a sweet and a savoury.
Tuesday 30th - Rock cakes and pizza Scones
Tuesday 7th - Biscuits and puffy Dogs
Wednesday 8th - Edible art and ??????

Uniform Shop

The next dates for the Uniform Shop are Thursday 16th July and 6th August between 3.00pm and 4.00pm. To order online, use the PSW website, www.psw.com.au and follow the prompts. The PSW shop in Deer Park is located at 58 Westwood Drive, Deer Park. Telephone: 9363 8458. Opening Hours are Monday-Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm, Saturday 9.00am – 5.00pm.