### DIARY DATES

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<td>Yr 6 Camp Coonawarra. Yr 2 Edithvale Wetlands and Mt Martha Treatment Plant Excursion.</td>
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<td>Fri 4 March</td>
<td>Yr 6 Camp Coonawarra. Returns approx 3.00 pm.</td>
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<td>Mon 7 March</td>
<td>Prep Students now full time (5 days a week). Senior School Assembly 2.50 pm. District Swimming (selected students Yrs 3 - 6 ) at Pines Pool 9 am - 2.30 pm.</td>
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<td>5A &amp; 5B Excursion to VSSEC (Victorian Space Science Education Centre) Yr 2 City of Kingston Recycling Incursion</td>
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<td>Wed 9 March</td>
<td>5C &amp; 5D Excursion to VSSEC (Victorian Space Science Education Centre)</td>
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<td>Fri 11 March</td>
<td>Yr 3 Scienceworks Excursion Yr 6 Interschool Sport Lightning Premiership 9am—3 pm</td>
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<td>Mon 14 March</td>
<td>Labour Day Public Holiday</td>
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<td>Yr 2 Spanish Excursion to Frankston Arts Centre. Yr 3 Night and Day Expo in the School Hall</td>
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<td>Division Swimming (selected students (Yrs 3 - 6 ).)</td>
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<td>School Photo Day</td>
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<td>National Day of Action Against Bullying.</td>
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<td>Mon 21 March</td>
<td>Sibling Photo Day</td>
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<td>Yr 4 Ian Potter Excursion Yr 2 City of Kingston Worm and Composting incursion</td>
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<td>Wed 23 March</td>
<td>Yrs 3—6 Cross Country River Run</td>
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<td>Thur 24 March</td>
<td>Easter Bonnet Parade 9.15 am in the school hall. Royal Children’s Hospital Appeal 2.30 pm Finish—End of Term</td>
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### ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

School Council has 5 Parent Member positions available and we have received 7 nominations. This requires us to go to a ballot. Today a notice was sent home with your child/ren, providing information on the nominees. A ballot paper was also sent with the information notice. Please take the time to cast your vote. Ballot papers are to be placed in the white envelope provided and returned to the School Office. Voting commences Friday 4th March and concludes Friday 11th March at 4pm.

Teacher Representatives [DE&T] elected to School Council are Pamela Macaulay and Samantha Marston.

#### CROSSING

Parents please be vigilant and use the school crossing on Gladesville Boulevard rather than cross the road near Coles without a designated crossing.

#### SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photo order forms have been distributed this week. Orders can either be made online or returned with correct money in an envelope. Order forms for sibling photos will be at the office. Our school photo day will be held on Thursday, 17th March. Sibling photo day will be held on Monday 21st March.

#### PREP FAMILY PICNIC

Last Friday Prep families came together and enjoyed an evening picnic. They were able to meet other families in their class and get to know one another. A wonderful evening was enjoyed by all. Thank you to the prep teachers for organising this event.

#### YEAR 6 CAMP

Reports from Coonawarra have indicated all students and teachers are having a wonderful time. Campers will be back tomorrow (Friday 4th March) at 3pm. Thank you to the Year 5 students who have taken on the Year 6 roles whilst they have been at camp.

#### STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who won our ‘Student of the Week’ awards for the fifth week of this term. Students will receive their certificates at their next assembly. Keep up the great work everyone!

Prep A – Ryan B for working really hard during our handwriting sessions. Fantastic effort Ryan!
Prep C – Beau M for being a persistent learner during our handwriting lesson. Fantastic concentration Beau, you are definitely working hard in the classroom and can be very proud of that.
Prep D – Charlette P for working so hard on your homework. Your handwriting is looking terrific. Keep up the amazing effort. Well done Charlette!

1A – Hudson M for putting in his best effort with every activity.

1B – Yagiz Y for settling in quickly at his new school. Welcome to Patto Yagiz!

1C – Logan N for being a fabulous classroom member. You sure put in a great effort every day. Keep up the great work Logan.

1D – Finn H-W for showing great persistence while working on putting finger spaces in his writing.

2A – Shae M for her 3D Water Project, showing her expert understanding. Thanks Shae!

2C – Stefan H for writing brilliant complex sentences in his spelling homework. Well done Stefan!

3A – Henussikan B for being a highly motivated and conscientious worker who always applies himself. You constantly set yourself high standards and expectations, especially when you are completing Mathletics tasks. Congratulations Henussikan and keep up the great work.

3B – Shamika C for applying her knowledge of number operations to solve a problem.

3B – Zac O for applying his knowledge of number operations to solve a problem.

4A – Angelique G for her consistent, positive and happy approach to school life. A pleasure to have in 4A.

4B – Jett B for always being a hard working and conscientious student who possesses excellent work habits. Keep up the great work Jett!

4C – Abbey W for always displaying the school values Integrity, Respect and Excellence. You are a caring person and a wonderful class captain. Well done Abbey!

4D – Achuol G for working hard to learn her blends and always having a beautiful smile on her face! Keep up your hard work!

5B – Elly H for being so enthusiastic towards all learning concepts.

5B – Sophie B for always being involved and enthusiastic. Keep it up! Well done!

5C – Kiara E for always smiling and being super positive.

5D – Jet D-S for continually working hard especially on his Mars project. Well done!

SPECIALIST CLASS AWARDS for last week were: Art – Prep A and 2D, P.E – 1A, Music – Prep A, and Spanish – 2D. Congratulations to these classes on their super efforts with our specialist teachers.

MATHLETICS AWARD: Congratulations to 2C who gained the most points in Mathletics for the week.

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SPORTS NEWS

ONLY 3 WEEKS TO GO!

Cross Country River Run 2016

Years 3-6

Wednesday 23rd March

At Patterson River 10.00am- 11.30am

U9/10- 2km

U11 & U12/13- 3km

*PLEASE RETURN YOUR PERMISSION NOTICES ASAP!*
Issue 3: How Parents and Carers can help

Working together is the best way to support children’s mental health and wellbeing...

Parents and carers can work with school staff to help create a bridge between home and school. When the adults responsible for children take a positive interest in what happens at school it helps children feel at home. It also makes it easier to pick up any problems early when they are easiest to resolve.

• Find out about the school and what your child is learning; participate in information sessions.
• Make time to listen to your child tell you about what he or she is doing at school.
• Let your child’s teacher know if he/she is having difficulties and discuss what kinds of things you can do at home and school to help.

InSPIRE

Last Friday, students came together for InSPIRE. The challenge was garbage collection. Each house was allocated an area of the school to ‘clean up’. Congratulations to Wells House who collected the most rubbish.

It is very important for our students to take pride in our school in every way, including keeping the grounds clean.

Prep Parent Picnic

Last Friday afternoon/night, the Prep families came together and enjoyed a family picnic. This was a welcome session for families to meet their teachers and other families in their class. It was wonderful to see the great turnout of families from all Prep grades, with everyone having a lovely evening. Thank you to the Prep teachers for organising this event and making all families feel very welcome.

Samantha Marston
Wellbeing Coordinator
cooke.samantha.l@edumail.vic.gov.au
Lachie C enjoyed interviewing Mrs Macaulay.

Mrs Macaulay (Year 5 Teacher)

When did you start teaching?
After the Ice Age!

Did you do anything before you were a teacher?
Played a lot of games!

Do you have any brothers or sisters?
Yes: 3 sisters and 1 brother.

Do you have any pets?
A silly dog called Billy!

What is your favourite TV show?
NCIS.

What is your favourite food?
Mexican.

What is your favourite sport?
Netball.

What football team do you barrack for?
North Melbourne.

What do you like doing in your spare time?
Socialising, beach, exercising and reading.

If you had a superpower, what would it be?
To be flexible.
SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING

SCHOOLPIX will be visiting us on

17\textsuperscript{th} March 2016

PHOTO DAY TIPS:

Dress: Clean and tidy as per school uniform guidelines

Hair: Neat and swept off face

Manual Orders: Complete your order form and return with payment to school on photography day

Online Orders: To pre-order online, take your personal Order and ID Numbers found on your order form and go to www.schoolpix.com.au. Orders can be placed online up to 2 working days after photography. \textit{You do not need to return the order form if you order online.}

Sibling Orders: For a special photo of you children together, collect a Sibling Order Form from the office or download it from the SchoolPix website and return it on photography day. Alternatively Order Online by \textbf{10am} on photography day.

Remember: All orders placed online will receive a free 20cm x 25cm black and white portrait print.

PO Box 5222, Hallam VIC 3803
Ph: 1300 766 055
Email: info@schoolpix.com.au
EASTER BONNET PARADE AND RAFFLE

Thursday 24th March
9.15am School Hall

The Easter raffle will be drawn on Thursday 24th March at the Easter Bonnet Parade.

Tickets on sale for $1.00 each.
Additional ticket books are available from the office.

EASTER EGGS DONATIONS

In order for our Easter Raffle to be as big a success as last year we are asking families for donations of Easter Eggs and baskets. The more eggs we get, the more baskets we make up and of course the better chance you have of winning one!

All donations can be given to your classroom teacher.
Mordialloc Community Centre School Holiday Program
For primary school children. Bookings essential on p.h 9580 3675 or email gemma@mordicc.org.au

Lakers Basketball Team under 10’s are looking for boys to join the team for the winter season. Training: Sat 8am Bonbeach Stadium. Games: Saturday (Various time and locations) Contact Chris on 0407 020 817.

Chelsea Heights Community Centre Wednesday playgroup, Friday night music. Wednesday night weight loss group. For more info p.h. 9772 3391 or www.chelseaheightscommunitycentre.com.au

Patterson Lakes Community Centre Cheerleading - Tiny/Mini Pom for ages 9 and under. Mondays 4pm—5pm. To register call 9772 8588.

COMMUNITY NEWS

School Holiday Program

Easter School Holidays. Moonlit Sanctuary Junior Ranger Program
Kids enjoy environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care.
Day includes: interactions with dingo, python, off-limits animals, feeding animals & food prep, animal enrichment activities, fun and games for ages 7-14 years.

Easter school holiday dates:

Week 1: Tuesday 29th March to Friday 1st April 10am – 4pm
Week 2: Monday 4th to Friday 8th April 10am – 4pm
Cost: $65.00 per day, or $175 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days).
Maximum 16 children per day.

Bookings essential as spaces are limited
Dress for the weather and wear closed-toe shoes, long pants and remember your hat or raincoat. BYO lunch or purchase at the café.

Moonlit Sanctuary
550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale
Phone 5978 7935
Open daily between 10am and 5pm