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Term 4 – Newsletter 37

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**PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS – (Paul Jorgensen)**

We had a great performance from the Billanook College band this week that was thoroughly enjoyed by all in attendance. We thank the staff and students from Billanook for their performance and the opportunity to listen to them. Billanook College is a combination of schools with an early learning program through to Year 12, located in Mooroolbark, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. Some of their secondary students were the students who were on tour to schools in the area and were able to perform for us.
Our playground is also now completed with the net now installed. Children are now happy using all of the playground equipment which so far looks terrific and has been well received by the children.

We have a volunteer job for a handyman/builder at school. We have some ply board that needs to be fixed to the back of our climbing wall. All the material needed has been purchased; we just need someone with the tools and knowledge to put it up. Please contact me if you are able to do the job for us.

There have been many events on the news lately of a shocking nature and this can have an impact on some children. The department provides the following advice to parents. Should you feel that your child has been having any problems please follow the advice and contact the school should you feel it necessary to let us know.

Children and young people will have seen and heard about the terrorist attacks that occurred in Paris on Friday 13 November 2015.

The authorities in France and countries around the world will help to support the people who have been impacted by this event.

Children often worry and know more than we realise. Adults may assume that children are doing okay if they don’t talk or ask questions about what has happened. Sometimes they have questions they may not ask unless we provide the opportunity.

It is wise for you to monitor your child’s exposure to television coverage, print media and social media. Some children and young people will want to talk about the tragic events and try to make sense of what they have both seen and heard. Other children will avoid any discussion around the events and will be reassured by routine and normality.

Remember the importance of routine, sleep, exercise and healthy eating.

There is a range of things you can do to assist your child during events such as this, including:

• Acknowledge that the event was distressing
• Reassure children that they are safe
• Look for signs of distress (e.g. some children/young people might be scared)

• Normalise responses - typical response will range from anger to general upset or sadness

• Maintain a normal routine - keeping the structure at home or at school in place

• Allow children to express feelings as they arise

• Telling stories about how people manage during difficult times can be helpful.

• Separate fact from fiction e.g. children may express fears about unrelated events.

• Plan relaxing activities before bed – talk your child through a gentle relaxation, this might include using soothing music and talking them through relaxing tension in their body or simply reading something to them that induces relaxation (i.e. a favourite book).

• Speak in hopeful terms – children and young people will often take their cues from their parents’ reactions; if you are honest, calm, compassionate and open they will be much more able to trust that they will be okay.

• Always remember the value of doing something with children that they like to do such as playing, exercising, being outdoors - have a time during your day to share time with your child

Prep Preview

In maths we will be continuing to work on place value and subtraction.

In reading we will be continuing to do activities based around the little billy goats gruff.

In investigations your child will begin working on their diorama for their chosen Australian animal.

This week your child will be bringing home spelling words on Monday. On Friday we will be having a test on these words. These spelling lists are individualised and come from a recent spelling test and their everyday writing. You can support your child’s spelling through helping them learn the words. We will continue this program until the end of week 10 (2nd last week of school).

Please see me at school if you have any questions.

We had an awesome day at Healesville. Below are some of the preps reflections on the day.

Graciemay Seymour

Maddison Burns

Jack Thomas

Nash Howell
What have we been doing in 34B?

It has been a very busy time in 34B with The Island Camp, the Toy Run and the Bilanook College band. Camp was fantastic – Off camp activities involved the Penguin Parade, the Nobbies, the Pelicans, Erehwon Point Beach, the Koala Conservation Centre and Churchill Island. Activities at the camp were the giant swing, the flying fox, the ropes course, the giant trampoline, the mechanical rock wall and archery.
**Preview**

Maths: Probability and revision of the four operations  
Writing: Camp recount and publishing  
Reading: Character development  
Spelling: New spelling words will be coming home on **Monday** the 23rd. There haven’t been any spelling words two weeks due to camp and retesting.

**Preview Loprese and Duncan**

**Writing**

In writing this week we are discussing the goals students are setting and how they will achieve these in their writing.

**Maths**

We are continuing our focus on chance and data. Please encourage your child to play some of these online games.


**Reading**

This week we have broken into small groups and will research different types of energy.

**Homework**

Please ensure your child completes the energy quiz homework sheet as we will be graphing this data on Friday. We will be learning about side by side graphs.

**Words of the Week**

evaluate, fair, equity, social, economic
**FUNDRAISERS**

**Term 4**

Friday 27th November - Subway Lunch Fundraiser

**Shopping trip to DFO Essendon / Tullamarine**

**Saturday 28th November** – Not long to now if you are thinking of going on this trip please grab your ticket. $40.00 per seat

Hurry on in to the office and grab your ticket for a great day out shopping. 132 shops in 1 place, start saving that money girls and boys.

**Tuesday 8th December - Christmas Concert**

Once again we will have a raffle to be drawn on the night, coffee, drinks, zooper doopers. We will also have a sausage sizzle going for tea. More details closer to event.

**LOST PROPERTY**

**Still lots and lots of lost property, come and have a look.**

2nd Hand Uniform

Uniforms in good condition would be appreciated. Summer is here time to clean out the cupboards of that uniform that is too small. Prep orientation is on the 8th December and we would like to have a full array of uniforms on hand if the parents so wish.

Preloved uniforms are for sale year round outside office for $2.00.

Thanks to our volunteer that keeps it looking spiffy.

**BELEZA  New Uniform**

If you are after new uniforms from Beleza go and see them from the 25th Nov to 27th Nov for their SALE WEEK and receive an extra discount on top of your VIP discount.

**Don’t forget to support**

- Ritchies – IGA Churchill with your community benefits card
- Bakers Delight Morwell and Traralgon, just mention our school.
- School Banking, commission from deposits come back to school.
TOYS ON THE RUN

What a fantastic effort!

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the Toy Run to support those in need this Christmas. On Tuesday the Gippsland Motorcyclists came to our school to collect all the toys and food we had collected. The visitors thanked the students for their donations, and reminded them all of the importance of always wearing their helmets and other safety apparel when riding bikes and motorbikes.

And then another visitor arrived ..........., he was wearing a red coat and he had a white beard!
THANKS SANTA FOR COMING TO OUR SCHOOL
DON'T FORGET TO COME INTO THE OFFICE AND GRAB YOUR TICKETS!! NOT LONG NOW UNTIL CHRISTMAS

SO MANY SHOPS TO CHOOSE FROM. GREAT DAY OUT !!!

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**Hazelwood North Primary School Parents & Friends Club**

**Fundraiser**

**DFO Essendon**

**Saturday 28th November 2015**

**Destination:**

DFO Essendon

**Departure:**

HNPS carpark, 7:45am

**Return:**

HNPS carpark, 7:30pm

$40 ea

Tickets available from HNPS office

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**DFO Shops as listed on DFO Essendon website**

132 Shops

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- Aquilla
- Peter Jackson
- Florentine Eyewear
- Connor
- GStar
- Logo
- Industrie
- Review
- Espirit
- Calvin Klein
- Peter Alexander
- Tommy Hilfiger
- Gianni Bonsai
- Bonds Outlet
- Tahra
- Sandler
- Brooks Brothers
- Saba
- Hugo Boss
- Furla
- Marks
- JAX
- David Lawrence
- LEVI'S
- MI BALE
- Final Days
- Rip Curl
- Quiksilver
- Rusty
- Cotton On
- Pila
- Puma
- Shoes and socks warehouse
- Windsor Smith/Lipstick
- Ginger Tree
- Forever New
- Tony Blanco
- Strandbags
- Hairhouse Warehouse
- Form Homewares
- Matchbox
- Kathmandu
- Billabong
- Pumpkin Patch
- Cotton on Kids
- Cotton On Body
- Gumboot
- YD
- Diana Ferrari
- Bonds Kids Outlet
- Mossman
- Politics
- Portmans
- Stratford Ellison
- C&J Trapping
- Jay Jays
- Catalog
- Kate Hill
- Just Jeans
- Bendon Lingerie Outlet
- Chelsea
- Jo Mercer
- Dotti
- Jacqui &
- Swarkovski
- Lifestyle Bags and Luggage
- Fossils
- CK Calvin Kinen
- Polo Ralph Lauren
- Sportscraft
- Orton
- Coach
- Lee/Wrangler
- Iacoste
- Guess
- Nick Scali
- Spotlight
- Focus on Furniture
- Adrimarc
- JB Hi Fi Home
- OZ Design
- Berkowitz
- Bev Marks Beds
- Koala & Tree
- Just Sport
- Provincial Home Living
- Godfrey's
- Adairs
- Beacon Lighting
- House
- BM Williams
- Adairs Kids
- Bed Bath n Table
- Good Guys
- Snooze
- Freedom
- Bay Leather
- Exclusive Piano Group
- Victoria Station