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Friday, 26th February
Term 1 – Newsletter 4

Wednesday 24 –26th	Marlo Camp
Wednesday 2nd March	Parents Club AGM Meeting 9am Art Room
Wednesday 2nd March	Gippsland Heritage Park F –2 Children
Thursday 3rd March	Division Swimming
Friday 4th March	Subway
Friday 4th March	House Athletics
Friday 11th March	NO SUBWAY – Due to Athletics
Friday 11th March	District Athletics – ALL CHILDREN
Monday 14th March	NO SCHOOL – Public Holiday
Friday 18th March	Last SUBWAY for Term 1
Friday 18th March	District Athletics – Backup Day
Tuesday 15th –18th March	Book Fair
Monday 21st March	School Council AGM/Ordinary Meeting
Thursday 24th March	End of Term 1
Tuesday 15th –29th March	China Trip

PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS – (Paul Jorgensen)

Vale Paul O’Brien

It is with great sadness we inform the school community of the passing of our much loved colleague Paul O’Brien. Paul was a teacher, School Councillor and passionate union representative at Hazelwood North Primary School for many years.

He was renowned throughout our student population as a great story teller and game player. He and his class often disturbed those around them with their enthusiasm for the maths games that were a regular feature of his lessons, as well as his general knowledge table quizzes.

Paul fought passionately to save our oak trees during the school’s redevelopment and could often be seen reading to his grade under their shade. Students to this day still experience the pleasure and wonder of collecting acorns thanks to him, and for the past few years Grade Six students have been presented with seedlings that are the direct offspring of these trees.

On Friday afternoons, Paul was always on the basketball court umpiring a game of bootball with an enthusiasm that has never been matched. He was always the most entertaining “Red Faces” judge on camp Talent Shows, with critiques that could only be surpassed by Red Symons himself. The energy he expended on camp always seemed to result in the need for a nap on the way home in the bus, which the kids always got a giggle out of.

Paul’s passion for the Geelong Football team was well known by all who encountered him. He was always the number one pick to win the staff footy tipping competition, which he organised and ran, along with Cup sweeps and our staff social events.

We extend our sincerest condolences to his loving wife Ann and the O’Brien family.

An unforgettable man!!!!!!!



HOUSE SPORTS – FRIDAY, 4th MARCH



On Friday 4th March we will be holding our House Sports. This will involve students competing in athletic events here at the school. The format will be similar to the one used at the District Sports (which will be held on Friday 11th March at the Yinnar Recreation Reserve). Students will try to score points for their House group achieving the best result they can for each event. Students are encouraged to dress in House colours for the day. The sports will begin at 9.30am and should finish by 1.30pm. Parents are invited to attend in order to encourage the students. We will also need assistance to run events on the day. If you can help with this please let Mr Twomey know of your availability.

Division Swimming on March 3 in Traralgon.

Reminder:

CAMPS SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)



If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child. The annual CSEF amount per student is \$125.00 for primary school students. Please contact the school office to obtain a CSEF Application form and make sure it is returned to school by 26rd February 2016.



HEADLICE: We are very grateful to the parent who alerted us to a case of **head lice**, an unfortunate but common aspect of school life. Please check and treat hair if required. A reminder that longer hair should be tied up and hat sharing is not recommended! If we all work together we achieve good lice management, as evidenced by very few cases last year!

O/1A and O/1W Preview

Our excursion to Old Gippstown is coming up next Wednesday, with our House Athletics Sports on Friday. You may want to talk to your child about the things they might see at Old Gippstown, as well as any questions they may have. Students should wear their House colours on Friday. Please check with your child's teacher if you are unsure what House they are in. Don't forget that clothing should comply with our Sunsmart Policy, which means no exposed shoulders. Sneakers should also be worn.

Next Tuesday, Foundation students will bring home their first home reading books, which is very exciting. They have been familiarized with a range of Level 1 books in class, and these are the first books that they will be bringing home. To support

their reading development, please look at the pictures and discuss the book with your child first, then read the book to your child, pointing under each word as you go. Finally, encourage your child to have a go at reading the book independently with your support. Help them to identify words, by pointing underneath each word as it is read. As the Foundation students have only been introduced to a few letters and words at this stage, they will rely heavily on the predictability of their books, and on the pictures, rather than any sounding out strategies.

As you are reading together make sure that you keep it fun and enjoyable, as this sets the foundation for a positive attitude to reading and a lifelong is struggling with their home reading books, please let the teacher know so that the level can be adjusted. Don't forget to read to your child regularly too – Reading often, and being read to, is one of the most important factors in literacy development.

Next week Foundation students will be introduced to the letter 'a', and the words 'can' and 'see'. Grade 1 students will revise 'sh' words, as well as the phonogram 'th', and the two sounds it can make.

In Maths we will continue to practice correct number formation, as well as the numbers that come before and after given numbers. As we begin a new month on Tuesday, we will look at the calendar page for March and look at the seasons. At home, children could practise saying the names of the days of the week and the months of the year in order.

Our Show and Share topic for next week is "Something beginning with the letter 'm'".



AFL SUPER CLINIC MORWELL

On Monday the 22nd of February the Grade One and Two students travelled on the bus to attend a football clinic. While the students were there they had a go at many different activities and got to meet and talk to some of the players from the St Kilda Football Club. Below are some photos from the day.



1/2S PREVIEW

We have a busy and exciting week ahead of us in 1/2S. On Wednesday the 2nd of March, we will be visiting Gippsland Heritage Park – Old Gippsdown. Over the past few weeks, we have been learning about what life was like ‘a long time ago’. This visit will be valuable in deepening students’ knowledge and understanding of how life has changed over time, and how it has remained the same.

In maths, we have been learning about place value. Students have shown great enthusiasm and enjoyment in expanding numbers to find the values of digits.

In reading, we have been learning about nouns and verbs. Soon, we will begin to learn all about adjectives!

Thank you to those who have kindly donated plastic bottle caps to our classroom. Your help is greatly appreciated and our students will enjoy using these hands-on materials to assist them in their learning!

Miss Stockdale

3\4A Preview

In literacy this week, we have been learning the importance of planning for what we write. Students This week we have been working hard on developing our understanding of place value. As it is a fundamental mathematical concept, it is really important that we continue to challenge ourselves to make new understandings that support our future success in mathematics within and outside of the educational setting. Here we have one of our groups of students approaching their learning collaboratively to build new knowledge and further their understanding of place value. We have been busy consolidating our understanding of two, three, four and five digit numbers which would not be possible without working together. Amazing work 3/4A! As of Monday, we plan to have started our investigation into time and angles.



Students have started building up their 'seed' ideas and are encouraged to bring in copies of photographs or items that can be photographed at school that can be printed and pasted into their writing journals. All students have now finished planning for their narratives and are at varying stages of the writing process with their work. The writing process that we are focussing on includes: Pre-writing/Planning, Drafting, Read and Revising, Teacher Conferencing, Editing, Proofreading and finally, Publishing. 3/4A continue to developing their understanding and application of these skills and will receive explicit lessons to support the development of specific skills. We have nearly completed our reading assessments in 3/4A which will allow the development of learning activities that are challenging students in their 'wobble' zones.

Our specialist sessions are on:

Monday – Art 10am to 11am

Tuesday – Chinese 10:20am to 11am, Physical Education 9:00am to 10:00am

Wednesday – Library 11:30am – 12:30p

Thursday – Performing Arts 9:40am – 10:20am, Chinese 12:50pm to 1:30pm

Friday – Senior Sport 2.15 to 3.15.

Again, during the school year it is not uncommon for students to experience some difficulties. Please, if this is the case, come in or call me. This will give us an opportunity to discuss the issue and work out some strategies to help the student. Communication is very important in ensuring a productive and happy school year!

Mr Atherton

LUNCH ORDERS

As not all students participate in Subway lunches I will not be doing whole school notes for Subway Lunch. Extra forms will be made available in class rooms for those students wishing to part take to grab one.

Order forms will also be available at the office, on board in foyer or on the school website or you can just write your order on the front of an envelope.



FUNDRAISING for 2016

HOUSE SPORTS at school on 4th March we will have drink and cake available at recess for those watching the day more info next week.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!!!!to bake some treats and help serve on the day if you can help please let us know or leave your name at the office.



Hot Cross buns order forms are out these are due back to school with money on Tuesday 15th March.

If you missed an order form one attached to newsletter or available at the office.

Profits from fundraising in 2016 will be going toward new IT equipment for our school and recladding of our building.

Bakers Delight Morwell and Traralgon give a percentage of all sales back to our school so please don't forget to mention Hazelwood North Primary when you make your next purchase.

Ritchies, IGA, Churchill also support our school through their Community Benefits Program, if you need a Card for this please let Francesca or myself know.

Next meeting Wednesday 2nd March 9.00 this is our AGM, in the art room.

Come along for a cuppa and chat, toddlers welcome.

If you cannot make meetings but would like to be involved or have any ideas for fundraising please let me know on either: bronwyn@wideband.net.au or 0412855933.

Our AGM will be on the 2nd March you don't need to take up a position but you may be able to organise a fundraiser or just help out where you can.



Pre school Storytime @ your local library

Preschool **Storytime** is a special time to share with your child.

It is held at the Traralgon Library on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10.30 am and 11.30 am (repeat session) during the school term.

Also we have

Afterschool story time for families on

Wednesdays at 3.45 pm during school term

ARTROOM ANTICS

Elements of Art we are studying this term are:

COLOUR:

Grades P – 2 have experimented with colour, including blending primary colours to create secondary colours and completing an individual colour wheel. We investigated warm and cool colours and students worked collaboratively on a number of collages.

VALUE:

Grades 3 – 6 are investigating Value, the art element which describes the lightness and darkness of a colour. Students have tried a variety of 'value' techniques including hatching and stippling to create 3-dimensional artworks and tinting and shading. A fun activity this week was designing Zentangles, with some awesome results!

WHAT'S ON IN THE ARTS WORLD??

Latrobe Regional Gallery offer free Art exploration and activities for kids. Look out for Super Saturday each month!



SUPER SATURDAY
1PM - 3PM, 27 February

Kids explore the gallery with guided Art Cart activities

FREE | RSVP BY FRIDAY 26 FEBRUARY

The National Gallery of Victoria is currently exhibiting works from Andy Warhol and Wei Wei, which I had the fortune to see last week. It was exciting to see some of the Warhol pieces we studied last year, while Chinese Humanitarian and Artist Wei Wei has created some thought provoking works. Details on next page.

ART SMOCKS

needed for the Art room.

Please send along an art smock, old top, shirt or T-Shirt with your child, so their school uniform can be protected from the messy fun we will be getting into during Art!



Andy Warhol | Ai Weiwei

Exhibition



A major international exhibition featuring two of the most significant artists of the 20th and 21st centuries - Andy Warhol and Ai Weiwei - opens at the National Gallery of Victoria in December 2015 and The Andy Warhol Museum, Pittsburgh in June 2016.



Andy Warhol | Ai Weiwei, developed by the NGV and The Warhol, with the participation of Ai Weiwei, will explore the significant influence of these two exemplary artists on modern art and contemporary life, focussing on the parallels, intersections and points of difference between the two artists' practices. Surveying the scope of both artists careers, the NGV

exhibition will present more than 300 works, including major new commissions, immersive installations and a wide representation of painting, sculpture, film, photography, publishing and social media.

For the exhibition, a suite of major commissions by Ai Weiwei will be premiered and presented alongside key works from the past four decades. It will be the most comprehensive representation of the artist's work in Australia to date.

Over 200 of Warhol's most celebrated works will be featured, and an extensive selection of film, music and publishing, including previously unseen work. The exhibition will also bring together a wide range of photography including more than 500 Polaroids documenting Warhol's social environment.

Location

NGV International
180 St Kilda Road
Melbourne VIC 3004

Contact details

03 8620 2222
www.ngv.vic.gov.au

Dates and times

11/12/2015 to 24/04/2016

Mon: 10am – 5pm Tue: 10am – 5pm Wed: 10am – 5pm Thu: 10am – 5pm Fri: 10am – 5pm Sat:
10am – 5pm Sun: 10am – 5pm

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