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WEDNESDAY'S SCHOOL BANKING

Monday 19th March to 4th April

Thursday 29th March

Monday 16th April

Wednesday 18th April

Friday 20th April

Friday 20th April

Friday 27th April

Friday 4th May

Monday 7th May

Friday 11th May

Friday 11th May

Friday 18th May

WEDNESDAY'S SCHOOL BANKING

China Tour

Term 1 Concludes @ 1.30pm

School Starts – Term 2

House Cross Country @ 2.15pm

Subway

Bulbs Express forms and money due

Subway

Pupil Free Day

Mother's Day Donation to school

Mother's Day Stall

Special Lunch Day

Subway

PRINCIPAL COMMENTS: ACTING PRINCIPAL – KELLY ALEXANDER

Students and staff members have certainly missed the presence of Mr. Jorgensen and Miss Waite around the school in the last couple of weeks. We look forward to having them back at the start of next term, along with Olivia, Malachi, Ethan and Harry. I am sure that they will all be full of interesting stories about their experiences in China, and that all will have gained a greater insight into the Chinese culture and education system.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all staff for keeping things running smoothly during this time, particularly Francesca King in the office, and the teachers in the Senior Unit. All staff members across the school have taken on additional responsibilities such as doing extra yard duty, ensuring that PLT meetings run to schedule, and monitoring student safety and well-being. It's great to have such dependable team to rely on.

Congratulations to all students who competed in the Yinnar and District Athletics Sports last Thursday. The competition was certainly very strong, and while we didn't come away with the win this year everyone competed with enthusiasm and determination. Well done to those students who gained places in the Champions Events, and will move on to the Division Athletics competition later in the year.

I hope that everyone keeps up their fitness over the holidays in preparation for our House Cross Country competition in the first week of Term 2, Wednesday 18th April particularly those students in Red House! Feel free to come along and cheer the students on.

It's been a very busy term, and students and staff alike are ready for a well-earned break. I hope everyone has a safe and relaxing holiday, and returns refreshed and ready for Term 2 on Monday 16th April.

Kelly Alexander



Sport News

Time to get your running shoes on! The house cross-country will be on the first Wednesday back, so make the most of your 2 week break to get active! Parents and friends are most welcome to come and watch. Remember to dress in house colours and bring hats, drink bottles and sunscreen in case it is a warm day.

F/1 Preview

The end of Term 1 has come around so quickly! We have had an enjoyable term with positive work habits and routines being developed. Our Grade One students have been wonderful role models for our Foundation students and our new Foundation students have settled in well to life being a school student.

Next term our new **Inquiry** theme will be **“Earth and Space”**. Key concepts will include day and night, seasons, weather, cause and effect and change.

In **Writing** the Foundation students will be introduced to writing on a baseline. The Grade 1 students will continue to work on detailed recounts. We will introduce and explore the writing of poetry and narratives.

In **Literacy** we will be exploring “Fairy Tales” and “Poetry” and this will be incorporated into our Reading and Writing Sessions.

In **Maths** the Grade 1’s will continue to work on place value and skip counting with numbers to 100 and beyond, addition and subtraction problems and will explore money and financial mathematics. The Foundation students will continue to consolidate their number sense with numbers from 0-10 and when ready will look at numbers to 20 and skip counting by 10’s and 5’s.

We are looking forward to another great term with our Foundation and Grade 1 students.

We wish you all a safe and happy Easter break and we look forward to seeing you all again next term.

2/3 Preview

Just a quick note this week! How fast have the past nine weeks gone? We hope you have a great two week break and enjoy some time together as a family. Don’t forget to encourage your child to read over the holidays and continue to work on a skip counting pattern that they have been working on in class.

Next term in **Writing** we will be looking at narratives using folk tales and other cultural stories, in Reading will continue to develop summarising the important information in a text and our Inquiry will be based on our Earth and how it is constantly changing. Certainly lots of exciting things to look forward to!

Have a great holiday. Looking forward to seeing you all next term.

4/5/6 Preview

We would just like to wish all our senior school students a very happy and safe holiday. Enjoy time with your family and read lots of books for the Premier's Reading Challenge!

Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and Hazelwood North Primary School is excited to be participating.

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 7 September 2018.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books. Students will have access to many books on their respective lists through their weekly library sessions, teacher class loans and, for the younger students sharing a book with their class teacher.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and can choose to have their name included on the online Honour Roll. Students will need to have a signed consent form from home if they would like their name to appear on the online Honour Roll. The consent forms will be sent home with each student during Term 2.

Attached to the Newsletter is the Premier's letter to parents. To view the booklists and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, you can visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc.

Students will have access to printed copies of the booklists in their classrooms throughout the Challenge, and a specific Reading List page to write down the books they read.

This week during Library the 4/5/6 students were introduced to the Challenge rules, provided with a list for their reading diary to write down their Challenge titles, and guided to use the Challenge Book Lists to choose a book to read, or a "free choice" book. Students in grades 2/3 and F/1 will begin the Challenge in Term 2.

The Premiers' Reading Challenge is a great opportunity for students to read a diverse range of authors and genres, and I am very excited for them and our School to be participants in the Challenge this year. Please do not hesitate to contact myself or your child's classroom teacher if you have any queries about the Reading Challenge.



Last day to earn vouchers at all Coles Stores, through Coles Online, and at Coles Express is **Tuesday 3rd April**. Please have all vouchers to the school by the **Friday 20th April**.



PARENTS AND FRIENDS

Chocolates: If you missed handing you form in just leave a note at the office, Chocolates will be distributed to those wishing to help us out with this at the start of term 2. Any question please see Karyn Amos or myself.

COLES VOUCHERS

Keep those Coles vouchers coming, so far **9700** counted.
If you are dropping them at school if you could leave them in strips or cut them into 2's that would be great thanks

Easter Raffle

Congratulations to our winners: T Burns, Justine Morgan, Frankie, Morgan and Lawdorn family.

WOW \$800 profit from our little Raffle all going toward the upgrade of the Sandpit area.

We need to thank Bows Ice Creamery - Midvalley, Bakers Delight- Midvalley, Churchill Bargain shop and Churchill Newsagency and all others for their donations. Please support and thank these businesses if you can.



BULB EXPRESS

Forms out to Eldest child in family attached to this newsletter is part of the order form if you missed it.

There is a few on notice board outside office.

Forms due back Friday 20th April, 1st week back.

2nd Hand Uniform

Don't forget when you clean out those cupboards, old uniform in good condition can be handed into school to be sold to live again.

Keeping on the recycling topic, if you hand any fundraising or special lunch orders in, in zip lock bags we will be placing them on the notice board in the office foyer to be reused. If your child's name is on it we will endeavour to return it to them.

Mother's Day Stall

Friday 11th May, keep an eye out for those bargains, groups of 7 (one for each class) would be appreciated.

More information to come.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 18th April 9.15 am in Art Room all 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