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SCHOOL VALUES - RESPECT, HONESTY & INCLUSION

NEWSLETTER

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The Mother's Day Art Craft Day is on tomorrow. \$5 needs to be at the office ASAP.

Thanks to the many families who sold raffle tickets and donated Easter Eggs for the Easter Raffle.

Special School Council meeting – tonight at 7pm

Active After School Communities Forms need to be returned

Parents Club Meeting at 7.30pm on Wednesday 4th May

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the beginning of Term 2, although it is a short first week. Today we began all classes in the new building and it was terrific to see the excitement on all of the students and teachers faces. This learning environment is fantastic and it will enable us to do many new and exciting things now and into the future. There are a few minor defects which will be fixed over the next few weeks, but overall everyone at school is pleased with how this new building looks at present.

A big thankyou to the many people who made the Easter Raffle such a success last term. Unfortunately, my little boy Noah won first prize and he has been feeding his face lately on chocolate. Many thanks also to the helpers who assisted on one day during the holidays, moving furniture and sport shed equipment. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. I have received some feedback about the Athletic Sports, which were held last term and I would welcome any more of this in the next week, as we have a debrief meeting on the 3rd May.

During the last day of term 1, the students had a very enjoyable day at Eastbank to see the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra. This is highlighted in this edition of the newsletter. It was great to see our school well represented at the Anzac Day Ceremony in Shepparton on Monday also. Thanks to the parents for making the effort to get to this important occasion. Next Monday, the Grade 5/6 students will be completing the Annual Attitude to Schools Survey. The overall objective of the Attitudes to School survey is to collect data about the opinions of students from Year 5 to Year 12 and for individual schools across Victoria to use this information to drive improvement.

Karen will be away on Friday, as per usual but I will be in the office all week if any matters need addressing. Have a great week everyone.

David Brodie – Principal

A Visit to MSO.



On Friday the 8th April, the whole school travelled to Shepparton. We, (Prep, One, Two) were first to watch the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra. We learnt all about String, Wood Wind, Brass and Percussion Instruments. We heard lots of fabulous music.

From EastBank we walked down to the Aquamoves outdoor playground. After morning tea, we had a

play on the great equipment. (All costs paid for by 'Ping')



Pyjamas Day – Junior School Council



1. Building Update

Over the holiday period we had concreting finished, railing put up, interactive whiteboards installed and pin boards and blinds put up. We were able to gain occupancy and accept handover of the new building during the second week of the school holidays which was pleasing. Since then we have obviously been busy setting up classrooms in preparation for the beginning of term 2.

At present, the building is operating on temporary power. As a result of this we are able to operate everything in the building apart from heaters and coolers. Our full power upgrade has been brought forward three months and is scheduled for 21st May. For the next couple of weeks, children will need to be dressed in appropriate clothing depending on the weather.

2. NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an annual event for schools since 2008. On Tuesday 10, Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 May, students will undertake the 2011 NAPLAN tests.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four domains of Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how individual students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australia children.

All students are encouraged to participate in the tests. Students with disability may qualify for special provisions that reflect the support normally provided to them in the classroom.

An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern. Parents may also wish to use their child's results to discuss progress with teachers. More information is available at www.naplan.edu.au

3. Easter Raffle

Last term, Parents & Friends successfully organised the Easter Egg Raffle with proceeds going to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal. Thank you to the many parents and children who either sold raffle tickets or donated Easter Eggs.

Easter Raffle Results

<i>1st Noah Brodie</i>	<i>2nd Brenton O'Brien</i>	<i>3rd Harvey Walker</i>
<i>4th Tonya Lucarelli</i>	<i>5th Austin Family</i>	<i>6th Martin Bassett</i>
<i>7th Hannah Sidebottom</i>	<i>8th Erin Davis</i>	<i>9th Abby Klein</i>
<i>10th Karen Armstrong</i>	<i>11th Austin Family</i>	<i>12th Rick Bilney</i>
<i>13th Miss Bicknell</i>	<i>14th Mrs Armstrong</i>	<i>15th Jo Klein</i>
<i>16th Daniel Bagley</i>	<i>17th Michael Nichol</i>	<i>18th Ashleigh Moore</i>
<i>19th Emily Stivala</i>	<i>20th Craig Oxley</i>	

4. Attendance Certificates

Last year, attendance certificates were handed out to children who received 100% attendance for each term and semester along with the whole year. This year, these awards will still be presented, but they will be handed out for children who have a 95% attendance rate. We believe that recognising and acknowledging attendance is important but some leniency needs to be provided, so that children are not feeling pressured to attend school when feeling unwell.

5. Bike Education Program

Mrs Sidebottom will again be running our Bike Education Program this term. This will be for students in Grades 2-6 and it will begin on Monday 16th May. The 2 classes that participate in this program will be actively involved in one hour sessions from 9am until 11am. More details will be available soon, but if students wish to bring their own bike in for the program, now is a good time to check that their bike is in good working order. More details soon.

Scheduled dates for Bike Ed.

Week 4 – 16th, 17th, 18th and 19th May

Week 5 – 23rd, 24th, 26th and 27th May

6. Grade 5/6 Camp

We are presently finalising the cost for the camp. We hope that these details will be available next week. There will be a number of forms which will need to go home as well and we hope to get these to you next week as well.

7. EGPSSA Cross Country

Students in Grades 4/5/6 will be participating in the Cross Country at Princess Park in Shepparton on Friday 6th May. Some students in Grade 3 may have the option to attend as the day is for students who turn 10, 11, 12 or 13 years of age as of December 31st this year. Miss Bicknell will be attending the day with the students and we will share a bus with students from Congupna PS. All students must have a drink for the day and give any medication to Miss Bicknell.

8. Holiday Assistance

I would personally like to thank the parents and students who made themselves available to help when moving some items into the container, new sportshed and new building. This assistance is greatly appreciated. Over the next few weeks we will be setting up our School Library and Multi Purpose Room so if any parents can assist again please let the office know. Thanks also to the couple of families who helped me move some large trees during the last week also.

9. Money at School

Just a reminder to students and parents that the Green Box in the office should be utilised for any money which would be handed in at the office. This box sits on the ground near the photocopy and should be utilised as much as possible. We would prefer money to not be put on the office bench.

10. Special School Council Meeting

On Wednesday 27th April at 7pm, we are planning to have a Special School Council meeting to discuss future building projects from funding which has been received from the State Budget's School Improvement Program. This is in the order of \$300,000. Presently, we are looking at a school kitchen, computer lab, cladding of existing buildings and decking...etc. This meeting should only go for approximately one hour.

11. Anzac Day Ceremony

On Monday 25th April, our school participated in the Anzac Day Memorial Service which was held at Welsford Street in Shepparton. Darcy and Ella represented our School Leadership group and they laid a wreath as a mark of respect for this important day. It was great to see many schools participate in this occasion and to remember and acknowledge the ultimate sacrifice our diggers have made during wartime.



12. Hats – Terms 2/3

Our Sun Smart Policy requires all children to wear school hats during terms 1 and 4. Although, they are not compulsory during terms 2 and 3 it is recommended that hats continue to be worn during hot days at school. During the colder months, it is a perfect time to give the hats a quick wash for future use.

13. Art/Craft Program

A reminder that the Mothers Day Craft Day is on tomorrow. All children will need to have \$5 to the office for this day. Over the next few weeks, all grades will have a 2 hour Art/Craft session to make up for the session which was rescheduled on the last day of Term 1, due to the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra Excursion.

14. AASC Program

Unfortunately the last day of Basketball was cancelled on Thursday 7th April. Our program for this term will begin on Monday 9th May. Multi Skills will be held on the Monday and Dance will be held on the Tuesday. **Students wishing to participate in this program, will need to fill in the form attached to this newsletter.**

15. Pie Warmer

During second and third terms, students are able to bring along pies, sausage rolls, pizzas, etc to be heated in the pie heater. Food must be wrapped in foil and labelled with the child's name using a permanent marker. This will begin on Monday 2nd May.

16. Milky Freezes

Because of the approaching cold weather, the last day for Milky Freezes will be this Friday. These cost 50cents each.

17. Colder Months / Tissues

Obviously, with anticipated colder weather students should be wearing appropriate clothes during this term. If families, could bring in a box of tissues each this would assist the school.

18. Term Dates

Over the next few weeks, I will continue to update this section. Confirmed dates for TERM 2 are:

April 28th – Art / Craft Day (Mother's Day)

May 9th – AASC Starts – Term 2

May 16th – Bike Ed. Program Begins

May 25th – Life Ed. Van

June 1st – Jump Rope for Heart Day

June 10th – Tree Planting Day

June 23rd – Responsible Pet Program

May 6th – EGPSSA Cross Country

May 10th >12th – NAPLAN Testing

May 18th – Young Leaders Day (Wanganui SC)

May 26th – Biggest Morning Tea

June 6th > 8th – Grade 5/6 Camp

June 13th – Queens Birthday Holiday

19. You Can Do It Awards

No awards for this week. This will begin on Monday 2nd May.

20. Attendance Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received over 95% attendance for Term 1

Prep / Grade 1 – Liv, Jhett, Daniel, Leah, Jack, Cohan, Alyssa, Kyle, Ashleigh, Campbell, Eloise, Harvey,

Grade 2/3/4 – Brock, Mitchell, Teagan, Mikayala, Stephanie, Preston, Chrissie, Mollie, Chelsea, Bailey, Connor, Brittany, Brenton, Jordan, Harri

Grade 5/6 – Daniel, Kyle, Rhiannon, Samahna, Olivia, Shae, Zane, Ella, Emily, Christiaan,

Occasional Care Tallygaroopna

Places are now available at Tallygaroopna if you need to take a break, attend appointments or simply do a few things that are difficult to get done with small children around.

A session at occasional care provides a balance of planned experiences appropriate to your child's age and skill levels and supervised free play including painting, puzzles, climbing, water and sand play. Your child will also have the opportunity to develop social skills by mixing with other children in a secure, friendly and stimulating environment.

The occasional care operates in the Tallygaroopna Preschool between 9am and 3pm on Fridays during school terms. Children over three years may attend from 9am to 3pm or 9am to noon. Children under three may attend from 9am to noon only. Fees are \$13.50 for 3 hours and \$27 for 6 hours per child per session. Phone 58298274 to find out more or make a booking.

Parents' Club

The next Parents' Club meeting will be held on Wednesday, 4th May at 7.30pm in the school staffroom.

Kids & Fruit – Term 2

Please fill out the attached form and return to school with payment if you would like your child to participate in Kids and Fruit this term. Cost will be \$10 per student.

Kids & Fruit Program Term 2 2011

Student Name	Class	Comments – Allergies?

Music Lessons

Keyboard and guitar lessons will start again hopefully next week (yet to be confirmed). Don't forget to bring your music book and payment of \$15 on Monday.

Homework

As this is a short school week, there will be no spelling homework for grades 2/3/4 or 5/6. Reading will be expected to be completed though as usual.

NOTRE DAME COLLEGE



To Seek To See To Respond

OPEN DAY

Tuesday, 17th May, 2011

Notre Dame College is a Catholic Co-educational College which aims to impart a sound and well-rounded Christian education through an interesting and varied secondary curriculum, which is taught within the context of Gospel values and attitudes.

Knight Street Campus
(139 Knight Street)

Tours commence from the Administration building between the following times:

Session 1: 9.15 am - 11.45 am
Session 2: 2.00 pm - 2.30 pm
Session 3: 3.45 pm - 4.30 pm

Emmaus Campus – Year 9 Programme
(95 Grace Road)

Tours commence from the Administration building between the following times.

2.00 pm to 4.00 pm

(Parents who are unable to visit on Tuesday, 17th May, are welcome to telephone to make arrangements for an inspection of the school at a mutually convenient time)

VISITORS MOST WELCOME

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New BER Building Completed – photos on school website also

