Dear Parents and Friends,

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH:
Congratulations to our first three recipients of the Aussie of the Month award for 2016. Junior: Millie H (1/2L) Middle: Finn D (3G) Senior: Hayley D (4/5C)

As you know these children are selected by all staff to receive this award for displaying exemplary behaviour and commitment to all aspects of their school life. Well done and congratulations to all three students!

RUBICON CAMP:
I spoke to Jackie Neville yesterday at Rubicon Camp (Lake Eildon) and she said to reassure everyone that the Grade 6s are having a wonderful time. Their first day was spent on “Initiatives” - activities centred on team building and leadership and yesterday all groups were engaged in “Challenge” activities including: High Ropes, Rafting on the River and Rock Climbing. I remember the rock climbing wall very clearly from last year – it is the highest wall at a school camp that I have ever seen, and whilst I was only able to manage going half way up, most children could reach the top!

I was also quite astounded to hear Jackie say that they had “lights out” on the first night at 9:30pm and the teachers were able to retire an hour later! By all accounts the children are having a great time and as always, they are behaving themselves exceptionally well!

NO ASSEMBLY TOMORROW (18TH MARCH)
Due to the set-up of the Twilight Carnival tomorrow afternoon there will be no whole school assembly.

NO ASSEMBLY TOMORROW (FRIDAY) DUE TO THE SET UP OF THE TWILIGHT CARNIVAL

Kind Regards,
Mrs Fran Van Lambaart
**Easter Raffle**

Tickets are due back this **Tuesday 22nd March**

Tickets are $1 each ($10 ticket booklet per family)

The raffle will be drawn at Assembly on Thursday 24th March.

First prize will be an iPad Mini 2 Wi-Fi 16GB & case valued at $335!!

**To help make this a successful fundraiser, we would very much appreciate any donation of Easter Eggs, baskets or a gold coin to go towards the purchase of prizes. These can be left at the office in the tub provided.**

HELP WANTED

We are in need of someone with a stump grinder or machine to remove a large tree stump at the school.

Please speak to John, who is at the school most mornings, or leave a message at the office with your details.

Thank you

LATE ARRIVALS

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Happy Birthday

Taylor D
Georgia C
Kaitlyn D
Mia M
Olivia M
Tanika B
Congratulations to these children for receiving this week’s awards.

Aussies Of The Month
Congratulations to the following children

Millie H
(Junior)

Finn D
(Middle)

Hayley D
(Senior)

**Colouring Competition**

*Please only one entry per student.*
Prizes will be awarded for the winning entry for each year level.

Winners to be announced at Assembly on Thursday 24th March.

*Please return to school by Monday 21st March*
Spares are available in the office – but please make sure you select the page specific to your year level.

*Good luck!!*

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**TWILIGHT CARNIVAL**

**ONE More Sleep To Go!!!**

We would like to thank all our Sponsors and Parent Helpers—without your help our Carnival would not be such a great success.

Pre-purchased wristband and Veggie Box forms need to be handed in TODAY (THURSDAY) by 4pm

**We WILL NOT be accepting Wristband or Veggie Box forms on Friday. Discounted prices finish at 4pm on Thursday, so make sure you get your forms in today!**

(Wristband tickets will then not be available until after 3.30pm on Friday)

Collection for wristbands will be from 3.30pm near the Multi Purpose Room.

Let’s hope the weather is kind.

**Please note that due to the weather forecast we will no longer be having the Surf Shack Slide. This will be replaced by 3 other rides**

Thank you

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**2016 TERM 1 EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS TRADING HOURS**

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PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2017

If you know of anyone who lives in the area (within our school boundary) and are thinking about enrolling their child for next year, please let us know or get them to contact the school. Information/Enrolment packs will be posted out at the end of term one.

Likewise if you have a sibling of a child already attending here who is starting their Foundation year, please let us know.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. 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 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef