Dear Parents and Friends,

It is very hard to believe that we have reached the end of Term One already! It has been a short term but also a very busy one. Here is a summary list of what has taken place in these first eight weeks of the school year: School Council and PAFA AGM, History Incursion, Curriculum Day – Julie Shepherd, Streets Ahead program, Wheels Day, PJ Good Friday Appeal, School Photos, Grade 3 Mural Walk, Parent/Teacher Interviews, School Swimming Sports, Inter school Sports, School and House Captain Badge Presentations, Rubicon Camp, Teacher Testing and Assessment of all students, Open Learning Program and finally, although the Twilight Carnival was postponed, there was an enormous amount of work that occurred in the background in preparation for the day.

As you can see it was a huge term! Any wonder it feels like it went by in a flash!

TWILIGHT CARNIVAL:
It was such a disappointment that our Twilight Carnival was forced to be cancelled on Friday evening. As explained to everyone via email and text, the Carnival Rides Company made the call to cancel due to the danger of extreme weather conditions – as always student safety is more important than any other considerations. The new date for the 2016 Carnival will be 11th November. Thank you to everyone who purchased cakes/slices/meat trays and vegetables on Friday afternoon. We were able to recoup some of our expenses thanks to your generosity. I would like to thank Briony Dore, the Fundraising Committee and PAFA for all their hard work leading up to Friday. It is an incredibly huge effort to be ready for the Twilight Carnival with weekly meetings and lots of behind the scenes preparation. I would like to thank everyone for their help – this community never fails to surprise me in how committed they are to our school and, despite the event being cancelled, everyone was very positive and extremely supportive.

GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL:
The students who form the SRC, Keira Vukovic and myself will be travelling to Melbourne tomorrow morning to present our $500 cheque to the Royal Children’s Hospital Good Friday appeal. We are hoping to appear with other schools on television at around 10:30-11:00am. This is such a great fundraising initiative to be a part of and one that we take great pride to be involved in. Thankyou to everyone who donated to the cause!

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:
As part of our Emergency Management Policy, we had a “Lock Down” practice drill on Wednesday morning. This drill would be used if we had to keep the children safe indoors in the event of an emergency situation occurring outside the school buildings eg: an intruder on the school property. The procedure in this instance requires us to lock all exit doors and then mark the rolls to account for all children and staff. One staff member is responsible for checking and locking all toilets and the administration staff check the Visitors Sign In/Out book so that we know who is on site. Once all classes are accounted for, staff members ring into the office to confirm everyone (including any visitors in classrooms) is accounted for. We ensured that the children knew this was simply a “practice” but it is important to carry out these drills in a serious and considered manner to that we are prepared should a real emergency situation occur. If the children speak to you about this drill please reinforce the message that we convey to them at all times – that their safety is at the fore front of all that we do at our school.

LOST PROPERTY:
Please take a moment to look through the Lost Property before the end of term to claim any lost items. Not only are there jackets and jumpers, but there are also numerous lunch boxes, drink bottles, hair bands and clips. The lost property is now located outside the Canteen window and locked in the Multi-Purpose Room at the end of each day. Anything left at the end of term will be donated to charity.

FAREWELL MICHAEL AND MARY O’BRIEN:
I would like to say a very fond farewell to Michael and Mary O’Brien from O’Brien’s Milkbar who are retiring this week. You have both had a very long relationship with our school and supported us in so many ways! You will be sadly missed by everyone, but we hope you thoroughly enjoy this new chapter in your lives! Thankyou from us all at Nar Nar Goon Primary School!

SCHOOL GROUNDS DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS:
If you are driving past the school during the school holidays and see any one on the property not respecting our buildings and/or grounds could you please call the police and ask them to investigate. We have had some minor vandalism this term which is extremely unfortunate and it is for that reason that I would ask you to help us take care of our school.

EARLY DISMISSAL TODAY (24TH MARCH)
Please remember that we will be dismissing the children at 2:30. Our end of term assembly is to occur at 2:00pm.

Kind Regards,
Mrs Fran Van Lambaart
**PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION**

**NO CANTEEN THIS FRIDAY**

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Thank you to everyone who sold their raffle tickets and donated Easter Eggs for our Easter Raffle this year. Your support and generosity is greatly appreciated. Congratulations to all of the lucky winners!

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We had an overwhelming response to Easter Colouring Competition. Thank you to all of the students who put in so much time and effort into their entries, they were all so fantastic! Congratulations to all of the winners.

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**PAFA Meeting**

We are meeting in the Staff Room on **Monday 11th April** (first day back) at 9.15am to discuss upcoming fundraising and events for Term 2. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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**Book Club Information**

Book Club can now only be done through the Loop Program. Orders can only be submitted online, as we no longer accept cash. If you have any questions please contact Jackie Neville.

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**Payments Due**

Reading Bug Inc

Monday 18th

April

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**DIARY DATES**

**MARCH**

Thursday 24th Last Day Term 1  2.30pm finish

Buses run to this time

Friday 25th Good Friday

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**APRIL**

Monday 11th First Day Term 2

PAFA Meeting 9.15am

Friday 15th Whole School Cross Country

Monday 18th School Council 7pm

Wednesday 20th P-2 Reading Bug Incursion

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**LATE ARRIVALS**

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**Happy Birthday**

Anthony M

Sam W

Paige H

Dylan B

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**Ask the whole family to join in and walk, ride, skate or scoot to school, the parks or the shops.**
CONGRATULATIONS KIARA

Congratulations to Kiara G (4/5T) upon receiving multiple awards for her Equestrian Competition on Monday. Not only did she win 4 individual titles for herself and her horse, but her efforts meant that Nar Nar Goon Primary School was named the champion school! Terrific effort Kiara!
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.

Art Extension Program

This term has seen the first group of children attend our Art Extension Program. Six children from Year Three created some fantastic plaster models of animals. To begin with, they researched an animal of choice. They printed pictures looking at appearances, skin coverings, style of movement and habitat. A variety of materials were used to construct a body which was then covered in plaster and decorated. Photos were taken and the children wrote notes in a book to record their activity. Each child should feel proud of what they have achieved. The colourful constructions can be seen in our main office area.

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 to experience specialist activities such as science and technology work 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 pay for costs of school camps, excursions 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 regional 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:
- $100 for primary school students
- $200 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
Always a Pleasure Cleaning
JOIN IN. GET ACTIVE!

PREMIER’S ACTIVE APRIL 2016

Monday 4 April
11.30am-12.15pm
Circuit class
Alton Towers Reserve
Hebelville-ko Wee Cup Road, Cockatoo

Tuesday 5 April
10.30am-11.15am
Tummy, hips and thighs class
Beaconfield Community Centre
O’Neill Road Beaconfield

Wednesday 6 April
10.30am-11.15am
Tummy, hips and thighs class
Beaconfield Community Centre
O’Neill Road Beaconfield

Thursday 7 April
12-12.45pm
Zumba
Cardinia Life
Olympic Way, Pakenham

Friday 8 April
5-5.45pm
Bootcamp
Cardinia Lakes
Windsor Boulevard Pakenham

Saturday 9 April
10.30am-11.15am
Tummy, hips and thighs class
Beaconfield Community Centre
O’Neill Road Beaconfield

Monday 11 April
11.30am-12.15pm
Circuit class
Alton Towers Reserve
Hebelville-ko Wee Cup Road, Cockatoo

Tuesday 12 April
10-10.45am
Boxing
Gernobou, Leisures Park, corner Beacons East and Gernobou roads, Gernobou

Wednesday 13 April
10.30am-11.15am
Tummy, hips and thighs class
Beaconfield Community Centre
O’Neill Road Beaconfield

Thursday 14 April
12-12.45pm
Zumba
Cardinia Life
Olympic Way, Pakenham

Sunday 17 April
10-10.45am
Boxing
Lakeview Amphitheatre
Lakeview Boulevard, Pakenham

Tuesday 19 April
7-7.45pm
Aquas Zumba
Cardinia Life
Olympic Way, Pakenham

Friday 29 April
5-5.45pm
Bootcamp
Cardinia Lakes
Windsor Boulevard Pakenham

Register to get:
- A freebie bag (worth over $50) on arrival at a local government facility.
- A $5 off voucher at The Store and The Store on Bourke
- A free doughnut on entry to Holbrook Park
- A free popcorn and hot drink to the Pakenham Library
- Free entry to all other Cardinia Libraries
- Live the Happier Life (proof required)
- Entry to all other Cardinia Libraries

Register today – activeapril.vic.gov.au

IT’S FREE AND FUN FOR EVERYONE!
All it takes is 30 minutes of physical activity a day during April. Enjoy great benefits and win awesome prizes.

Cardinia Shire Council encourages you to...

School Holiday Program

Booking forms available at
My Place (5-7 Main Street, Pakenham)
or call 1800 4 YOUTH

Autumn 2016

Tuesday 29 March
Scavenger hunt
My Place Youth Facility
Pakenham free tour of stores to find and win prizes. Come for a day of fun and games, lunch provided.
Cost: Free
Time: 11am-3pm

Wednesday 10 March
Chocolate galore
My Place Youth Facility
Enjoy the afternoon of chocolate games, chocolate tasting and chocolate eating.
Cost: Free
Time: 1:30-3:30pm

Tuesday 19 March
Bubbles Soccer
Emerald Primary (One Off)
Drop in and play with our Bubble Kids.
Cost: Free
Time: 1-4pm

Tuesday 6 April
Enchanted Maze
Arthur’s Seat
Don’t go into the maze unless Arthur’s Seat plus one the fairy tells you.
Cost: $15
Time: 9am-3.30pm

Friday 8 April
Skate deck design
Garfield Community Centre
Transform a blank deck into your very own creation.
Cost: Free
Time: 3-6pm

Wednesday 13 April
Airbrush graffiti
My Place Youth Facility
Learn to airbrush and design your own shirt. Free entry to workshop.
Cost: $5
Time: 1-3pm

Thursday 14 April
“All Aboard”
Philip Island
Catch the train to Phillip Island and check out rail displays and the steam locomotive.
Cost: Free
Time: 10am-4pm

Saturday 16 April
Photo Finder
Garfield Community Centre
Take photos of hidden badges around Garfield.
Cost: Free
Time: 1-4pm

Friday 15 April
Manga Art
Pakenham Library
Be guided by a Manga Artist to learn manga and create your own characters.
Cost: Free
Time: 1:30-3:30pm

Saturday 16 April
Geocaching
Upper Beaconsfield Community Centre
Come on a world wide G.P.I. treasure hunt.
Cost: Free
Time: 1-4pm

SUNDAY
17TH APRIL

Get in early to secure your spot
Comp will run from 1-2pm

Come & Show off your ability at our Youth Services Stage at your Event!
We are in the search for a talented young person within the community to show off your skills in the YAKKA-A WHO'S GOT TALENT?


NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK

8-17 APRIL

SAT 9 - SEL SKATE/SCOOTER/BMX COMP
TUES 12 - PROJECTION FESTIVAL - BUNYIP
WED 13 - PROJECTION FESTIVAL - EMERALD
THUR 14 - PROJECTION FESTIVAL - LANG LANG
FRI 15 - LOCK-IN EVENT - PAKENHAM LIBRARY
SAT 16 - YANKARROO PARADE & FESTIVAL
SUN 16 - YAKKAROO PARADE & FESTIVAL
MON 18 - PROJECTION FESTIVAL - UPPER BEACONSFIELD

Further details including times & venues are available at My Place Youth Facility on 5940 3200


SIGNS FROM 12-1PM
GET IN EARLY TO SECURE YOUR SPOT
COMP WILL RUN FROM 1-2PM

FORMS AVAILABLE - CONTACT YOUTH SERVICES ON 9940 4 YOUTH
OR EMAIL YOUTH@CARDINIA.VIC.GOV.AU OR GET IN TOUCH VIA FACEBOOK www.MEETUP.COM/CARDINIA-FREEZA

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PRESENTS

NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK 2016

AGES 12-24

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