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Term 4 – Newsletter 33



Tuesday 27 th October	Subway Order Form Due Back
Monday 2 nd November	Pupil Free Day – Confirmed
Wednesday 4 th November	Parent Club Order Forms Due
Friday, 6 th November	2 nd Kinder to Prep Orientation – 11.30 am to 2.15 pm
Wednesday 11 th November	3/4 Camp (Cows)
Monday 16 th November	Excursion to Healesville Sanctuary – Confirmed
Tuesday 17 th November	All Prep, One & Two Students – Note to follow
Saturday 28 th November	Toy Run - Collect our Donations
Tuesday 8 th December	DFO Shopping Trip
	3 rd Kinder to Prep Orientation – 9.00 am – 11.30 am

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS – (Paul Jorgensen)

Our new playground has been installed a little earlier than expected however we are still waiting for a few items for our net before it will be in full operation. We will also need to put in some new soft fall material which hopefully will happen next week. Therefore we wait a little longer before we allow children to play on the equipment that has been installed. Probably next week sometime.

The Earn and Learn stickers that families have been collecting have now been redeemed and we will be receiving Science and Construction materials and kits. Some of the science equipment will be electricity and circuit kits, some solar power construction kits and Dynamo generators. We are not sure how long it will be before delivery but the materials ordered will build our science equipment considerably.

Our work at school continues on our school values of RESPONSIBILITY, CHALLENGE, COLLABORATION, RESILIENCE and CURIOSITY. Despite regularly talking about our values and reinforcing them we do still find that some children do not readily model them all the time. One thing I have noticed a lot lately is the amount of sports equipment that is borrowed but not returned to the sports shed. It is the responsibility of the children using equipment to ensure that it is returned after use at all times. Some children have been observed dropping equipment and running to line when the bell rings or to the bus after school.

If parents and school works together in instilling our school values at all times then we will achieve greater success.

Along with the office being unattended on a few occasions last week due to illness and me attending PD and meetings we also had some issues with our phone system. This didn't help our situation as calls to the phone weren't being transferred properly and some calls were missed. I apologise if this has caused any inconvenience and hopefully we are back in full swing this week with all problems solved. From time to time these issues occur to test us but hopefully they are very rare.

SWITCH TO SAVE LED LIGHTS HAS BEEN EXTENDED FOR A FEW MORE WEEKS !!!

FREE TO HOUSEHOLDS SUPPORTED THROUGH BENDIGO BANK MORWELL

Anyone with downlights can have the LED lights installed **free of Charge**

COME SEE FRANCESCA IN THE OFFICE!!!!!!

1. Households, businesses, renters can all participate. Encourage asking family, friends, and places they work, and people they work with.
2. You don't have to be Bendigo Bank customer.
3. Easiest way to register is call Morwell Branch on 5133 7433 Mon-Fri 9am to 5pm, or Sat 9-12.
4. Be able to give the number of down lights to be changed.
5. When registering, Morwell Branch must be nominated, for our school to benefit from the registration.

Prep Preview

We will be looking at writing a retell - focusing on writing letters neatly on the base line, using a full stop and capital letter in every sentence.

We will be looking at words starting with wh and having a go at hearing all the sounds in words.

We will be looking at collecting and reading data and numbers in maths.

We will be continuing to look at Australian Animals.

We had a great time making damper on Wednesday. The children thought it was delicious.

I forgot to send the spelling words home last week! Sorry for this. I will be sending them home on Monday!

I hope you have a great week

Amy Waite

Week 4 Preview 12A

The students have all set new learning goals for the term. It would be wonderful if parents could have a conversation with their children about the goal they have chosen and the school value it relates to (Collaboration, Curiosity, Challenge, Responsibility or Resilience). Discuss why this goal has been chosen and possible strategies they could use to help them achieve their goal.

We will revise our understanding of addition and subtraction this week, so look for opportunities to discuss how we use addition and subtraction in everyday life. Students could all continue to practise telling the time on digital and analogue clocks, as this can be a difficult skill for many to master – the more we talk about it the better!

We will be looking at research skills in reading and investigations – specifically how to identify the most important ideas in non-fiction texts. Students will be encouraged to take home non-fiction (information) books for home reading. Before they read these books, please encourage them to think about what questions might be answered. During reading stop from time to time, close the book and ask your child to talk about what information they have learned. By closing the book we are discouraging them from repeating phrases word-for-word, and focussing on what they are picking up from the text and how they would say it in their own words. As they read, you may also reflect back on their questions and whether they have discovered the answers. This may be a challenging task, so it might be worth reading the same book a few times.

Week 4 Preview

Grade 2/3G

Literacy-students will be revising the skill of summarising this week before they begin to independently research a native Australian animal and make an information report of it based on findings. This skill of summarising is an important comprehension skill and can be explored through students independent reading at home by asking such things as 'what were the key parts of this chapter/book?' We will also explore oa/ow/o/o_e sound/letter combinations in words and the importance of keeping tense in writing.

Mathematics-students will continue to explore capacity and further extend their skills with subtraction. They are also exploring efficient ways to solve addition and subtraction problems mentally.

Inquiry-aligned with the development of information reports, students will be focusing on the habitat of their chosen animal. They will also review and reflect of progress with their learning goals and whole body listening.

The Island Camp

Please note that camp forms are **now due** so that final planning can take place. A small information pack will be sent home with students next week that includes such things as expectations, program and rules. Final payment is due on the 4th November, 2015.

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Next week we will be continuing our focus on Sustainability.

In the area of Maths we will be learning about measuring area and perimeter of shapes that have symmetry and don't have symmetry. For those students who have demonstrated solid knowledge in this area they will be extended by investigating how we measure the area of triangles and circles.

We will be learning about debates and points of view in the area of language. Keep discussing hot topics around the dinner table and make sure your child gives reasons for their opinion and thinks about alternative viewpoints. Our Pit topic is "What is the responsibility of each generation?"

The vocabulary that we will focus on over this and next week is: ecosystem, cycle, observation, science, biome, hypothesis, biology, living, non-living, sustainability.

Homework update. This week 50 % of the grade returned their homework. Let's improve on this next week. Could all parents please make sure that homework is completed. Students need to complete a Mathsmate, spelling, read 4 times per week and complete a project. Most of the learning for the project has been completed at school. They should have a life cycle diagram, food web and research. Some students are writing their good draft and others may need to complete some drafting. Students have been given the first two weeks of school to work on this. Paper and cardboard is available in the classroom. Parents do not need to purchase these.

Over the next two weeks we will be completing our end of year testing. Please insure your child attends school unless they are unwell.

Susan Duncan

Year 6 Graduation

This year's Year Six Graduation will be held at the Italian Australian Club on Monday, 14th of December.

We will begin at 6.30.

We will be having a buffet Menu at \$25.00 per head for adults and \$19.00 per head for children. We have used this venue for many years and have always found the service and food to be excellent. We will be limiting the amount of people who can come, as we do every year, to 2 adults and the graduating students. If you have any concerns with this please come and talk to me and we will work towards a solution

*Our expression of interest notes will be coming out in the next couple of weeks.
Thank you*

Susan Duncan

The Gippsland Toy Run

The Gippsland Motorcyclists are organising their annual where they distribute toys and food to needy families to their Christmas.



Toy Run
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We are looking for donations of new toys or non-perishable food items from our school community to support this worthy cause.

Drop-off boxes for your donations are located in the office foyer.

The Motorcyclists will ride into our school on Tuesday 17th November to collect our donations. If every family could donate one item, we would have lots of things for the Motorcyclists.

Parents and Friend News

PLAYGROUND

Have you seen it, it's started? Thanks to everyone for your support for fundraising events to get this great new equipment.

LUNCH ORDERS

As not everybody orders Subway and to save paper I have delivered Subway order forms to all classes for those that order Subway to collect. If your child would like to try Subway and need a form please ask either Francesca or class teacher, Francesca for a copy or they are also available off the schools website, www.haznthps.vic.edu.au.

NOTE: From the start of Term 4 we are asking if your child is going to be absent for lunch on the Friday that you ring SUBWAY personally on 51336833 before 9.30am.

As this saves any confusion if your child arrives at school after we have rang through the absent list.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Tuesday 27th October Subway order form due to school for Friday 30rd October

Wednesday 4th November Parent Club order forms due for Friday 6th November Special Lunch

FUNDRAISERS

Term 4

Friday 6th November – Parent Club Lunch

Saturday 28th November – Shopping trip to DFO Essendon / Tullamarine

Wow 132 shops in 1 place, start saving that money girls and boys and book your seat, call the office or speak to one of our friendly girls below.

\$40.00 per seat, Tickets out soon please let one of your friendly parents club members know if you are interested.

See attached flyer.

LOST PROPERTY

Still lots and lots of lost property, come and have a look.

Cadbury Chocolates

Does your work place need chocolates for over the holidays? We have boxes of Frogs, Variety Bars or Mixed available see Francesca or one the Parent Club girls for your box.

Don't forget to support -Ritchies – IGA Churchill with your community benefits card

- Bakers Delight Morwell and Traralgon, just mention our school.
- School Banking, commission from deposits come back to school.

Thank you for your support in our fundraiser. Parents club members Di Sanders, Nicole Mckenzie, Simone Lovison, Jane Wilson, Lynda Richards, Kim Pridgeon.

Next meeting Wednesday 4th November 9.30, all welcome.