NEWSLETTER  Term 1 Week 3 . . . . 24th February, 2011

Dear Parents,

BUILDINGS UPDATE
As you will have seen this week most of the portables were removed on Monday and the area has been cleared. Tomorrow the final portable will be removed and the remaining building works can be completed. Until these works are complete access around the school will be restricted in some areas. When I have a timeline for the completion of the final works I will update our calendar.

PRINCIPAL CONFERENCE
On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday I have been attending the Peninsula Region Principals’ Conference. The focus for this conference is on curriculum development which focuses on providing ‘personalised learning’ for students’ learning needs, which is developed around their strengths and weaknesses and tailoring teaching methods to support this learning. The keynote speaker for this conference is Dan Buckley a Director at Cambridge Education in England. I am looking forward to sharing my information with staff and the community when I return.

STAFF NEWS
It was with much pleasure that I announced to the Prep parents on Tuesday that Mrs Miller is having a baby. Her plans are to work until the end of Term 2 and we will appoint a new teacher to continue for the remainder of the year. Much planning for this smooth changeover is underway. I am sure you will join with me in our congratulations and best wishes.

STUDENT CONFIDENTIAL FORMS
Thank you for the excellent response with both school payments and contributions and with the updated student details. We are still missing a few student forms so could you please check that your form has been returned. It is most important that your contact details are current.

INFORMATION SESSIONS
Parent Information Sessions for Term 1 were held on Tuesday 15th February for grades 3-6 and 22nd February for P-2, when classroom teachers provided an overview of the year’s program for each grade level. This also included information about the Camp for Grade 5 & 6. This was an opportunity to meet your child’s teacher and other parents in the class as well as gain an insight into the programs and expectations for the coming year. From the meetings I attended I could see these were most valuable sharing times for both staff and parents. If you were unable to attend these meetings and you would like to meet with your child’s teacher please call and arrange an individual time.

GRADE 5/6 CAMP
Our Grade 5/6 students are off to Camp on Monday for five days. I am sure they will have a wonderful week and learn many new skills. Ms Soler, Ms van der Zee, Mrs Carmichael, Mr Mulcahy, Mr Watling and Mr Bertucci will be attending the Camp to ensure this is a rewarding program for all students.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
This week all students received a notice about this year’s program. If you require more information please give me a call. Just a reminder, that the note needs to be returned if you do not wish your child to participate.

IN THE OFFICE
Finally, a reminder that TOMORROW is the last day for EMA applications, and no late applications can be accepted.

It seems amazing that the first month of school has passed already and so with the newsletter today is the March calendar.

Hope you have a wonderful weekend!

Regards,

Alana O’Neil
Principal
Overview of School Council Meeting 16th February 2011

Points of interest to parents:

- Welcome to all the new staff across all year levels and Mr Bertucci in PE; please make them feel very welcome. The school is looking to employ another Integration Aide pending funding.
- Carrum Primary School currently has 268 students enrolled.
- **Buildings and Grounds Update:** thanks to those parents for submitting their concerns, Alana will respond to you personally.
  - The Portables (old Library and Toilets) are due to go on Monday 21st February, we have all waited patiently for their removable and the time has come to start the next phase- resurfacing the asphalt. I am sure you are all aware that a major renovation takes time and sometimes there are delays in finishing a project this is often out of the schools control so please be patient, we are all frustrated with the length this has taken especially the teachers, the children have not once complained and are to be commended on their positive outlook to adopting alternative playing methods.
  - The mountain of dirt situated at the end of Oval is going to be re-used for our Wetlands area which will be located along Valetta Street between the art room and the Valetta Street driveway gate.
  - The bike shed will be relocated to the Church Street Entry where an orchard will also be planted.
  - Outdoor Furniture has been ordered and should be installed by middle of Term 2.
  - A graffiti audit has been conducted and this should be removed over the next couple of weeks.
- The school is currently writing a role statement for a maintenance person.
- The Uniform Shop has moved from the Prep area to the German and Music Room Portable down near the corner of Valetta Street and Walkers Road.
- School Council has approved the annual Beach-a-thon Event, a great excursion for the whole school on March 16th.
- Miss O’Neill is on Principal’s Conference from Wednesday 24th – Friday 26th we look forward to hearing about her learning’s on her return.
- The Canteen is looking to open later in Term 1 so if you are interested in volunteering your time please get on board and help, the Canteen needs a pool of volunteers for it to open, most children get a kick out of having Mum on Canteen.
- The BIG GREEN Festival has become a Bi-Annual event, it was extremely successful in 2010 and we managed to invest in a Shade Tent for the school with the profit made, so thanks to all that attended and helped make it such a huge success, a special thanks to Mr Mulcahy for all his efforts.
- Mr Mulcahy is also looking to forge an Alumni Association for past students, parents and teachers of Carrum Primary School, so stay tuned.

Please feel free to join our next School Council meeting on Wednesday March 23rd in the Staffroom at 6.30pm

Kind Regards
Jenny Ridgway
Carrum Primary School Council President
P - 2 PARENT INFORMATION EVENING – RAFFLE

Congratulations to Tracey Delaney who was the winner of a lovely Tupperware Lunch Box on Tuesday night.
A bit of a dilemma for Tracey though, which ones of her sons will get to bring their lunch to school in the lunch box??

Julie Shaw

NATIONAL RIDE2 SCHOOL DAY

Preparations are well under way for Ride2School Day on Wednesday 16th March when children across Australia will be taking the active route to school. We will be holding our Annual Decorated Helmet Parade and other Active Travel activities to be announced next week.

Clare Soler

INSTRUMENTAL FLUTE NEWS

Flute Lessons at school for Students in Grades 3 - 6. The school has 3 flutes for hire.

Contact Kate Hubbard on 9773 1019 /0435 832 820

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UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop will be OPEN IN OUR GERMAN PORTABLE on MONDAY MORNING the next one being Monday 28th February, 2011

Nicky Baker Uniform Co-ordinator

GERMAN NEWS DEUTSCHE NEUIGKEITEN

Here’s your chance to learn some German!
- Support your child’s German learning and be able to greet German visitors to our school.
- Add a new dimension to your next holiday!

Our school is holding classes for adults who are absolute beginners. The classes will cover how to:
- greet people
- introduce yourself
- eat out
- ask for directions
- shop in stores and markets
- and other everyday topics decided by the group.

PARENT’S CLASSES
THE GERMAN LEARNING CLASSES WILL BE COMMENCING ON THURSDAY 3rd MARCH BETWEEN 2:30PM – 3:30PM.

I WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CLASS:

NAME: ………………………………………………

CHILD’S NAME: ……………………………………

GRADE: ……………………………………………

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STUDENT BANKING

Student Banking

Student Banking is this week, Friday 25th February and fortnightly thereafter. See below for Term 1 Banking Dates and be sure you write these down in your diaries so you don’t miss out and continue adding to your token collection.

CONGRATULATIONS to 1/2D for being the grade with the most bankers last fortnight.
I hope you enjoyed having Platypbank in your classroom with you.

It has been great to see so many students signing up for Student Banking this past week. Your applications will be processed by CBA and you should receive your deposit books in the mail at your home address within the next 2 weeks.

CBA pays a commission to our school for every child that signs up for Student Banking and for every deposit this is made at our school. It’s never too late to begin Student Banking and the application process is fairly easy especially if you are an existing CBA customer. If you are new to the bank all that is required is a copy of some type of valid photo ID, (ie: drivers licence or passport) to be submitted with the application form. Anyone interested in a CBA Start-Up Kit can enquire at the school office or see me anytime to collect one.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:
1: Make sure all details are filled out correctly on deposit slips (including the student ID).

2: Hand your bankbooks in early to your class teacher so they go to the office with the student role.

3: Siblings younger or older not attending our school are welcome to do their Banking through us, just send their book along to school in the usual manner for processing.

Remember, every deposit made helps you and helps our school.

BANKING DATE FOR TERM 1

FRIDAY TOMORROW FEBRUARY 25th
MARCH 11th & 25th

Caryl Tobin Banking Co-ordinator.

DUCK DUTY

Many Thanks to
Faith Will Madeileen Tobin
Kobi Stephens-Alexander,
Amber Rossborough
and Braedon Were
for cleaning out the Duck cage on Wednesday 16th February.
A MAGNIFICENT JOB!
THANKS FOR DUCKING OVER FOR DUCK DUTY.

Julie Shaw

RON’S RANGER REPORT

On Ranger Duty last week was
- Abbey (Leader)
- David
- James (Seniors)
- Charlotte (Junior)
We collected 43 chicken eggs and only 4 duck eggs.
This weeks’ Rangers are – Tylah (Leader)
Sam James (Senior)
Ashleigh & Ya
The Grade on duty last week was 5/6W.
Cuddles is back!!
By Abbey Patterson

FARMER’S MARKET

Our Farmer’s Market needs egg cartons and plastic fruit punnets please. All donations can be sent to 3/4S. Thank you.

BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THESE STUDENTS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK:

FEBRUARY
24th Jai Rossborough PG
26th Izabella Kadiki 1/2T
27th Regina Politis PG
Keegan Bell 3/4W
28th Leah Sanderson PM
Bonnie Robertson PM
Zak CARUANA 5/6M
### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

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