WELCOME TO TERM 2

A warm welcome back to all members of the school community for the start of Term 2.

We have an eleven week term ahead so we’re looking forward to ‘knuckling down’ to a solid term of learning.

Please note that our Sunsmart Program continues for the first two weeks of this term whereby children will still be required to wear their hats during recess and lunchtime breaks.

STAFFING UPDATE

We welcome a couple of new faces to our staffing team this term. Eddi Gunn will be working in the Reading Recovery area this term to continue on the program from Lynley Walters who retired at the end of last term.

We will also be welcoming back Michelle Waterman, a past member of the staff, who will be teaching in Year 3L each Wednesday. Michelle has worked with Dianna Lane (3L) in previous years and we are thrilled that they will team up again to facilitate a seamless program for the students in Year 3L.

APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 7 PLACEMENTS

Information will be distributed this week to all Year 6 students to begin their formal ‘Application for Enrolment’ for Secondary School placement in 2014.

The department also provides a range of information for parents about this important transition which is available at: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/secondary/Pages/default.aspx

Beyond Primary is an email newsletter specifically for parents with children starting secondary school next year. You can subscribe at: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/secondary/Pages/beyond.aspx

I would encourage all parents of Year 6 children to take the time to read through all of this information carefully.

Please note that the Application for Enrolment Year 7 - 2014 needs to be returned to your child’s current teacher no later than Friday 31st May 2013.

STAFF TRAINING DAY

Our school’s third staff training day for 2013 will be held on Monday 6th May. Please note that no children are to attend school on this day. Teachers will be participating in a professional learning program that will focus on the teaching of spelling. This was identified as an area for further development as part of the school’s review process last year. We are keen to ensure that our students are exposed to a comprehensive spelling program whereby they expand their repertoire of spelling strategies each year and continue to recognise the need to spell accurately as 21st century learners.

Please ensure you have this date marked in your diary and I’ll provide more...
details about the program as we get closer to the date.

**MOTHER’S DAY STALL/RAFFLE**

A small band of wonderful mums has been busy organising gifts over the last couple of months for our upcoming Mother’s Day stall on Thursday 9th May. Please watch out for further information about this stall over the next couple of weeks.

As a result of a number of prizes remaining from the Fete, we will also be able to run a Mother’s Day raffle this year. There are 18 prizes to be won as part of this raffle, with the first prize being valued at over $1000. So keep an eye out for your raffle book that will be sent home next Monday.

**PARENTS IN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS**

We are so grateful for the wonderful level of support we have from our school community each day. Our teachers and students really do value the additional support they receive from parents across so many different aspects of the school. Whilst we strongly encourage and value high levels of community participation in the school, we ask that parents refrain from being in the school grounds during recess and lunchtime breaks. It is very important that all of our students feel very safe in the yard and can recognise teaching staff who are on duty in each section of the yard if they need assistance. When there are parents in the yard this can create some uncertainty at times for our students and generate some tensions for staff who are monitoring all playground interaction. I thank you in anticipation of your support on this matter and if you have any concerns please don’t hesitate to drop me a line at cahill.jim.a@edumail.vic.gov.au.

**FOOTY CARDS**

With the footy season up and running it’s great to see many students excitedly sharing their growing footy card collections. Whilst we are happy for students to bring their collections to school, please note that we will be strongly discouraging the swapping of any cards amongst students. Our past experiences have shown that it is extremely problematic to orchestrate ‘fair swaps’ and our junior students can become very upset about the nature of these swaps at times. We would suggest that any swapping could be undertaken at home under parent supervision.

Enjoy your Week!

Jim Cahill
Principal

---

**ASD and School Based Strategies.**

WNPS are now members of AMAZE (formerly Autism Victoria).

AMAZE Family Counsellors are running their next information session next Thursday 18th April at 10.00am and again at 6.00pm.

**Sibling Issues and ASD**

This information session is primarily for parents and carers of children with ASD and neurotypical children and will provide strategies to help avoid potential issues and improve the home environment for the whole family.

There is no cost for members, but you do need to register, as places are limited. Non-members are welcome – the cost is $20 per family.

**Register for the day time session (10.00am-12noon)**

**Register for the evening session (6.00pm-8.00pm)**

Information sessions are held at 28 Drummond Street (the optometrist, 2 doors up from Amaze).

The information sessions are run by our highly experienced and caring Family Counsellors, who have extensive experience working with families and individuals coping with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

If you have questions, please contact the AMAZE Info Line on 1300 308 699.

**Can you help?**

AMAZE (Autism Victoria) have received a request for comment from the Williamstown Star newspaper who are looking for a family who would be willing to be interviewed about their experiences with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

If you would be willing, please drop them an email with your preferred contact details and a brief description of your situation? Contact details below.

Fran Ludgate Manager, Marketing & Communications on 9657 1611

ISP Coordinator
Sue Ongarato
Helping kids be brave

Anxious kids, like worriers and sensitive types, benefit from a parenting style that is empathetic but at the same time empowers them to tackle their fears.

Currently around 11% of children have problems coping with anxiety. Around 3% experience some form of depression.

As reported on the Kidspace website, Macquarie University psychology lecturer Dr. Carolyn Schniering has stated that anxiety problems are the most common emotional disorders that children experience.

It’s important to understand that anxiety is not something to be afraid of. As Dr. Schniering says, “It’s a normal emotion and an important part of how we engage with the world.”

Experiencing some anxiousness in new social situations or some specific situations such as around water is quite normal and, in some regards, healthy. It’s not healthy when anxiousness stops kids doing things they want or are able to do or interferes excessively with their school or pre-school experiences.

Genetics plays a part

Macquarie University research shows that children who display high levels of anxiety from a young age, and who have a parent who is excessively anxious or depressed, are seven to 11 times more likely to develop long-term anxiety.

This finding supports my experience that anxious parents beget anxious kids. But it’s not that simple.

Some children are simply more prone to experiencing excessive anxiousness than others. These kids are typically classified as worriers, shy types and more sensitive souls who wear their hearts on their sleeves. (I’ve parented one of these types and I learned first-hand that some situations they experienced needed to be handled with some parental care and attention!)

I want to stress that these children are not necessarily going to experience debilitating anxiety. However, they do benefit from a parenting style that is sympathetic while empowering them to tackle their fears.

It’s worth noting that if you yourself are overly anxious or experiencing depression, then self-care needs to be your first priority before you can assist your kids.

When should I worry?

Dr. Schniering says, “As a rule of thumb, parents should be more concerned if the fears or worries they experience become excessive and their child is unable to deal with every day life.”

I would also add that when children become overwhelmed by their fears it may be time to seek professional help. A first port of call may be a General Practitioner or your child’s school. (Our research shows that parents are more likely to seek help from their child’s school than their GP; however, my experience has been that local doctors often have a good handle on these issues as well as knowledge of local providers.)

Helpful parenting practices

Before looking at helpful practises, let’s quickly list some practices that are unhelpful for parenting anxious kids:

- Fixing kids’ problems.
  Jumping in too soon only increases anxiety and doesn’t enable kids to build their capabilities.

- Allowing avoidance.
  Letting kids escape new or fearful situations validates their fears.

- A ‘get over it’ attitude.
  There’s a difference between “You can do this!” and “For goodness sake, get over it!” The latter often comes from parent impatience and stress.
Okay, now for the helpful parenting practices for kids who are anxious. These include:

1. **Skilling towards bravery.** Help kids face their fears by skilling them, e.g. *Look around for a friendly face when you go to scouts.* You need to put on your coaching hat to build skills and self-confidence, which defeats anxiety.

2. **Scaffolding towards bravery.** Rather than avoidance allow kids to face their fears in stages, e.g. *Let’s go to the party for an hour then I’ll pick you up.* By breaking things down into smaller stages kids feel that they are more in control. Lack of control is behind a great deal of anxiousness in adults, as well as kids.

3. **Be empathetic, not sympathetic.** There is a difference. Empathy shows you understand how they feel; sympathy can be maudlin, leading you to pay excessive attention to the fear as well as letting them off the hook. Kids need a supportive adult who says, not necessarily in these words, “I know how you feel but I also know you can do this.”

4. **Creating opportunities for independence.** Competency is the enemy of anxiety. Building children’s self-help skills and their independence outside of the home has a snowball effect on how they feel about situations that they usually fear.

5. **Model bravery.** Okay, you knew I was going to mention this. But if you want kids to be brave then you go first. Your calmness, patience and willingness to methodically work your way through new situations will have a calming effect on kids.

(Good leadership is basically about staying calm in stressful situations.) Modelling also shows them how fears of new and unknown social situations, and even specific fears such as going to the dentist, can be handled positively.

It’s worth noting that most kids grow out of their anxiety given attentive brave parenting.

As a general parenting strategy I recommend that you take a strength-based approach (which is what I’m banging on about all the time) and focus on building children’s strengths and assets to help them overcome fears. At the same time recognise that some children may need extra assistance from time to time as a result of their anxiety.

---

**Get your 10 ways to promote Good Mental Health & Well-being in Kids poster at**


Subscribe to Happy Kids, the FREE Parentingideas weekly guide while you are there.
Rosters…

Fresh Fruit Friday (FFF) - Helpers Needed for Term Two

The parents on the roster for Fresh Fruit Friday for this week are: Martin Ray, Pamela Fernando, Helen Parker, Larissa Deeth, Mette Nielsen, Michelle Boyall, Gail Chew, Davena Toplis, Joanna Gumley and Leisha Campbell. If you are able to help out weekly, fortnightly or monthly, please contact Linda Taylor at, taylor.linda.11@edumail.vic.gov.au. This is a very happy and social group.

Canteen

Julianne Weir manages our Canteen and is always very appreciative of the time parents or family members can volunteer to help in the Canteen. Julianne can be contacted via the General Office. New parents or family members are always needed, so, if you can spare any of your valuable time, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thursday 19th April—Anne Tobin Friday 20th April—Majella Snelling & Heather
Wednesday 24th—Rachelle Burbridge Thursday 25th April—ANZAC Day Friday 26th April—Kellie Walker

Please remember that Lunch Orders are only available on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and NO Lunch Orders are available on the Last Day of Each Term.

Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop hours are Mondays and Thursdays from 8.30am to 9.15am. Any enquiries please contact Kara on 0413 008 185.

School Banking

School banking day is Wednesday. Don’t forget to send in your child’s bank book.

Student Safety

Please take the time to regularly remind your child/ren about safety, especially when going to and from school. Here are the important points to mention:

- Do not to talk to strangers and never accept a ride from a stranger, or accept lollies or gifts from a stranger.
- Immediately report any issue or problem you may have when going to or from school, to your mum and dad, or to your teacher, the Principal, Assistant Principal or office staff.
- Always get permission from mum or dad before going to play with a friend after school and always let mum and dad know where you will be and what time you will be home.

We advise that, wherever possible, children should travel to or from school with an adult or with their friends, rather than travel alone.

Early Release

All child/ren collected from school before 3.30pm must be signed out at the Office. Parents will be handed an ‘Early Release Pass’ to hand to the supervising teacher. If a child is signed out at Recess or Lunch time, the Office staff will call the child to the Office and then ensure the Early Release Pass is given to the supervising teacher.

Working With Children Card (WWCC)

If you wish to assist in the Canteen, Fresh Fruit Friday, Sport, Swimming, Excursions, or on Camps, you must have a Working With Children Card. Please note that these forms are available from any Australia Post office if you are wishing to apply for a check (note the forms are no longer available from the school). If you have a WWCC provide it to the office staff to be photocopied and a copy place on file. A WWCC remains valid for five years.

Please note, this year, the second group of our parents who received their WWCC in 2008, will need to renew their WWCC in 2013. If you are in this situation, you will receive a ‘Renewal Letter’ from the Department of Justice. As soon as you receive this letter, please complete the process to renew your WWCC. If you don’t, you may be ‘caught out’ when it comes to volunteering to assist with school activities. Please don’t put it aside, act upon it immediately.

Bikes & Scooters

Many children ride bikes and scooters to school each day. All bikes and scooters must be locked up in either the Bike or Scooter Enclosure to prevent theft. Please ensure your child has a chain and a lock. All children who ride a bike or scooter must wear a helmet which is a requirement by the Government. The school regularly reminds all children about wearing helmets for their safety. All bikes, scooters, skateboards, ribtics and helmets must be labelled, with your child’s name and class. Children are reminded they must walk their bike, scooter, skateboard or ribtic to and from the school gates. No bikes are to be brought through the school buildings and we request, where possible, that Scooters are also not walked through the building.
Welcome back to Japanese for Term 2. It's set to be a fantastic term and I'm especially excited to announce that next Wednesday, the 24th of April, we will celebrate Japanese Day at WNPS. On this day children of all year levels will participate in a whole school parade in the gym from 9.00 to 9.30, and then spend the morning and middle sessions rotating through several activities designed to give them a taste of Japanese culture. There will be old favourites like the Taiko drumming workshops with Toshi, Japanese Calligraphy and origami. But hopefully all children will also experience something new and exciting on the day.

Children from 3/4P had a great start to their term this week. Hugo, Allegra, Lola and Noah are seen here tuning into our Hiragana topic by assembling a 3D Hiragana chart. They loved the teamwork aspect of this activity and were determined to finish the whole chart before they could leave!

Costume Parade

Dress up as your favourite Japanese character or come in elegant traditional costume...Japanese Day will also be a chance to use your imagination to come up with your best Japanese costume design. Children will parade in the gym from 9.00 to 9.30. There will be spot prizes and giveaways. Parents are welcome to join in the festivities during the parade, or at anytime throughout Japanese Day.
Community Notice Board

Williamstown Cannons Basketball Club would like to invite boys & girls born 2006 & 2007 to play in a team. Games are played early Friday evenings. We are also inviting girls born 2004 & 2005 to play early Saturday mornings. For more details, please contact Penny Milhe on phone: 0409 014 121 or email: pennymilhe@iprimus.com.au.

Looking For Volunteer Host Families - It's fun! World Education Program (WEP) is inviting you to experience another culture in your own home by becoming a volunteer host family to an international student arriving in July 2013. Our students from Italy, Belgium, Finland, France, Switzerland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Brazil and Chile are looking forward to experiencing life in Australia, making new friends and becoming a member of an Australian family soon. Find Out more! Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved. Take the next step and contact WEP today to receive a full information pack for your family. Sylvia Kelly Manager – Inbound Exchange Programs Phone: 1300 884 733 Email: info@wep.org.au Online: http://www.wep.org.au

The Williamstown Little Athletics Centre would like to invite all those between the ages of 5 and 16 who would like to try Cross Country running to attend the Cross Country Season Opening Day at 10:00am on Saturday, 27th April 2013 at Newport Lakes Reserve located at Lakes Drive, Newport (off Mason Street). The course starts at the southern end of the lake, adjacent to the car park & facilities area. For further information, please contact John Gilbert on 0408 360 499 or at williamstown@lavic.com.au.

Singing and Dancing Opportunities in 2013 The Australian Youth Choir and the Australian Youth Dance Theatre provide opportunities to develop Performing Arts skills under expert guidance. Students make new friends, perform in exciting Concerts and develop their confidence. Visit www.niypaa.com.au or call us 9836 2877.

Fairyland Emporium. We are now taking last minute bookings for Term 2 Ballet at Fairyland Emporium. There are only a few spots left so book in fast before they are all fairy dust! Fairyland Emporium is proud to introduce our fabulous new team member Ballerina Emma! Emma has been a dance teacher for seven years, specialising in Ballet, Jazz, Funk and Hip Hop for ages 2+. Emma studied at Industry Dance and has eighteen years of performance history which includes performing for stars such as Hugh Jackman. Her focus at Fairyland will be to teach coordination, discipline and movement with small groups of up to eight children. The incorporation of fun themes and props each week will ensure that they will love learning to perfect their new skills throughout the term. At the end of the term there will be a Concert spectacular for families. Term commences, Thursday 18 April and concludes Friday 7th June, with group Concerts on Saturday 8 June. For more information contact Fairy Natalie, Fairy Queen, Fairyland Emporium, Phone: 9041 6969, Email: fairymail@fairyland.net.au, Web: www.fairyland.net.au

After School Care

OSHCLUB Staff Training Day Program
When: Monday 6th May. Time: 7.00am to 6.15pm. Cost: from $11.00 to full price $46.00 per day.
Full fees will apply to families who do not apply for, and are not eligible for the CCB and the CCTR(50% tax rebate). All fees are approximate only.

How to Book—an oshclub online enrolment form must be completed (if not already done). Enrol online at Staff Training Day.

What Happens—loads of fun for all ages, including art/craft, games, sport, drama, board games and fun with friends.

What to bring—morning snack, lunch and afternoon snack. Also wear, or bring appropriate clothing, including a hat.

Please remember—once you have enrolled for this day there are no refunds for cancellation, unless we decide not to run the program due to lack of enrolments.

Please note—if the number of enrolments are under 15, the program will not be able to proceed. A decision will be made on Monday 29th April. Parents will be notified on or prior to Monday 29th April.

Contact—www.oshclub.com.au or phone 8564 9000, Program (Williamstown North) 0422 236 845

Thank you—Leanne Aftercare Coordinator
Provisional Enrolments

A Parent Information session will be held on Tuesday 7th May. Provisional Prep enrolments for 2014 will commence on Wednesday 8th May. ‘Enrolment Forms’ and the ‘Preliminary Information Sheet’ will be available at the Information Session, or from the General Office from Wednesday 8th May. A copy can also be downloaded from the School Website from Wednesday 8th May.

Please Provide

1. Proof of Age (Birth Certificate).
2. Certificate of Immunization.
3. Proof of Residential Address for Primary Carer (3 Documents)
   (Drivers Licence, a Rates notice and a third document with your full name & residential address).

Enrolment Policy

Please note that in line with the “School Ceiling” endorsed by the South Western Regional Director, only families who reside within our defined school neighbourhood are able to seek enrolment. A map defining the school neighbourhood is available on the school website.

Parent Information Session

“Finding Out About Williamstown North Primary School”

An Information session for prospective 2014 Prep Parents will be held on Tuesday 7th May from 7.00pm to 8.00pm at the school. A tour of the Junior Learning Centre will be held prior to the start of this session, from 6.30pm to 7.00pm.

School Tours will be conducted on

Friday 24th May at Noon, Thursday 6th June at 10.00am and Wednesday 26th June at 11.30am.

Additional tours will be facilitated on request during Term 3 by contacting the office on 9397 5722.

The ‘2014 Prep Parent Information Night’

is only for Parents of “Confirmed Prep Enrolments”.

Tuesday 26th November 2013, 7.00pm to 8.30pm. Kay Margetts from Melbourne University will speak on “School Readiness” and “School Expectations”.

Transition Program

Our Kinder to School Transition program for our 2014 Preps will commence the week beginning Monday 14th October, Week 2 of Term 4.

All details regarding transition will be included with the ‘Letter of Enrolment’ confirmation, sent to families at the end of Term 3.
ART NEWS

Welcome back to Term 2. We have a lot of exciting projects planned for Visual Arts sessions this term. A reminder that the Pirates project/exhibition at the Louis Joel Art Gallery and Community Centre finishes on the 5th of May, so there is still time to check out the wonderful work of our Year 6 students.

Some other creative opportunities that can be accessed at the centre are listed below -

Creating Art with Natural Found Materials
Tuesday 3:45pm - 5.00pm—1st child $12.00, 2nd child $8.00
Contact Mairead Ashcroft for bookings and information 0401 649 967
artoflifewithmairead@gmail.com  artoflifewithmairead.blogspot.com.au

Children’s Art – Saturday mornings with Sandra D’Lisio. Phone 9398 5279

Art Classes for kids 5 – 12 years. 3.45pm-5.00pm and 5pm – 6.15pm Monday and Tuesday, call Helen on 0415039791

For further information visit the website on http://www.louisjlcc.com.au/term_program.php

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to attend the AGIdeas 2013 Conference in a few weeks time, where they will be undertaking workshops with professional artists and designers.
Year 5B: Charlotte Hall, Alicia Scott, Jonte Kontos,
Year 5P: Chris Jackson, Asaac Zaghis, Siena Contin,
Year 5S: Isabel Schulz
Year 6R: Amy Eriksson.

Finally, congratulations to Charlotte Savage in Year 2H for winning a $50.00 Coles Gift Voucher by taking out First Prize in the Coles Easter Colouring competition. Well done!

Again, thank you to everyone who has donated magazines to the art room. If you do have any spare magazines, please drop them into the art room whenever it is convenient.

Julie Kelly (Visual Arts Teacher)

---

3L Writer’s Corner

My name is Charlie
It means Funny, happy and sporty
It is the number 56,942
It is the colour aqua.
It is when I went to Thailand.
It is a memory of pop.
Who taught me that I can have fun with everyone when we were at the nursing home.
My name is Charlie.
It means excitement.

Bella
Beautiful, artistic and kind.
It is the number four 4
It is like the colour aqua.
It is when my dad found a lizard.
It is the memory of my dad
Who taught me not to be rough and be careful
When he was in the backyard.
My name is Bella
It means beauty.

Ella
It means caring, dazzling and helpful
It is a number ten
It is like the colour pink
It is seeing my family all together at Christmas
It is the memory of my Gran
Who taught me how to dance
She went and gave old people food for them.
My name is Ella
It means Love.

---

JAPANESE DAY this year will be a whole school event with children of all year levels participating in rotational activities and workshops. There will be a number of Incursions on the day, and all staff will join in and help to run the activities. I’m really excited about it, and hope you will all enjoy getting involved.
CONGRATULATIONS & WELCOME TO Altona Gate Shopping Centre

RUN AROUND AUSTRALIA 2013

Congratulations Williamstown North Primary on being one of the participating schools in Run Around Australia 2013 at Altona Gate Shopping Centre!

Run Around Australia is part of the wider initiative called ‘Lets Live Better’ which was introduced in 2009 to work toward helping grow healthier communities across Australia. The Run Around Australia Campaign is designed to positively influence children’s (and their parents) food and lifestyle choices, while offering school communities a great way to obtain additional funding.

The campaign commences on Monday 15th April 2013 and will run for 6 weeks until Sunday 26th May 2013.

WHAT CAN MY SCHOOL WIN?

This year there is a CASH PRIZES and weekly prizes to the value of $200 to win at Altona Gate Shopping Centre. We are very excited to announce there is a prize pool of $4,000 to win for your school! - 1st $1,500, 2nd $1,000, 3rd $500

HOW DO CUSTOMERS PARTICIPATE?

From 15th April to 26th May 2013, customers simply drop their shopping receipts (from any retailer within the Centre) at the drop boxes that will be located opposite Coles and Kmart at Altona Gate Shopping Centre, or at your school reception. If you wish to keep your receipts simply present these at Altona Gate Centre Management Office and we take down your school details and your receipt can be retained.

Customers are awarded kilometres for dollars spent at participating stores in centre. The customer nominates the name of the school that they want to receive their kilometres. They continue to redeem their receipts for kilometres throughout the promotional period, and the school that runs around Australia the furthest wins a cash prize.

Christian Religious Education (CRE) WNPS 2013

The Christian Religious Education (CRE) program at Williamstown North Primary School will commence in Term 2.

Each class is 30 minutes and will be taught in the afternoon. Each CRE teacher is looking forward to meeting with the children.

The CRE teachers are:

Mrs Sue Russell* 1H & 1M Tuesday  Mrs Valerie Dripps 1V & 1S Wednesday
Mrs Linda Sutton 2L & 2M Thursday Mrs Liza Minns* 2L & 2H Thursday
Mrs Patti Gerkens 3B & 3D Wednesday Mr Rodger Duff 3/4P & 3L Wednesday
Mr Paul Riessen* 6B & 6C Tuesday Miss Shaya Minns* 6R & 5B Thursday
Mrs Astrid Jasper Team support Mrs Sophie Clayton Team support
*We welcome new CRE teachers to our team at WNPS. The new teachers will begin later this term.

The cost of CRE student workbooks and materials is $10.00 Please send payment in an envelope to your class teacher by 26th April, 2013.

There will be a CRE presentation once a term for the students enrolled for CRE in Years 4 and 5 where we are unable to provide a CRE teacher.

The CRE program relies on the contribution of accredited CRE teachers, who volunteer their time to teach the curriculum developed by ACCESS ministries, approved by the Education Department. The CRE program appreciates the support provided by the WNPS staff and school community.

If you are interested in finding out more about the program; there is a copy of the curriculum available at the front office, or visit www.accessministries.org.au. Refer also the school website. (Information tab)

Anyone who is interested in joining our teaching team, or would like further information is welcome to contact one of the team leaders below.

Thank you.

Astrid Jasper 9397 8035 Sophie Clayton 9391 4701
CROSS COUNTRY TRAINING

As the Cross Country event is approaching we will continue with the training sessions to ensure our students are well prepared.

Training will occur on the following days:

- Thursday 18th April
- Tuesday 23rd April
- Thursday 25th April
- Tuesday 30th April
- Thursday 2nd May

Training will commence at 4:30pm.

We will be conducting training at Cherry Lake. The 10 year olds will complete the 2km course and the 11/12 Year olds will run the 3km course. If your child is unable to make a particular training session, I would like them to conduct their own personal training session. This will enable the group to be prepared for the race.

Any question please see Sarah Nobbs.

STUDENT BANKING 2013

Does your child have a Commonwealth Bank Dollarmite account?
Did you know that for every NEW child that starts banking at school – we get $5.00 commission?
PLUS we get 5.00% commission on all deposits.

This is a great fundraiser for our school.

We have School Banking every Wednesday

Just bring your deposit book in with your $ and hand it to your Teacher.
Your deposit will be processed and your child will get their book back the same or next day.

The Student Banking program is aimed at helping students understand core financial values and money management skills. The emphasis on this program is on regular savings and not the value of each deposit so there is no minimum deposit amount, it is more of a fun and engaging activity for the students to enjoy!

DON’T HAVE A BOOK?

......Call into your local Commonwealth Bank Branch and open a School Banking account – it’s simple; all you need is Parent photo I.D and child’s Birth certificate – you can start banking at school straight away!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school office or call our School Banking Specialist Susan Brailsford M: 0422 116 040 / email susan.brailsford@cba.com

The School Banking Team

Josie’s POP DANCE Parties

An energetic and colourful 2 Hour, Fully Hosted Dance Party. For ages 2-9.

Easy to follow pop routines to their favourites...

Party records/Movies like Snaggle/One Direction/Arty Perrys/Dancing/Gimmam Style/etc

All you need to worry about is the party food and cake.

Cost is $150 for 2 Hours.

Call Josie 0403316433

MUSTARD ROUND TABLE

PSYCHS, STUDENTS & THE PLACE OF SPIRITUALITY

THURSDAY 16TH APRIL

Williamstown Church of Christ, Williamstown

WEDNESDAY 22ND APRIL

New Hope Baptist Church, Williamstown

MONDAY 27TH APRIL

Ormond Anglican Church, Ormond
Australia's First
Coloured Commemorative Coin!
LIMITED EDITION

For a $10 donation
the $2 Poppy Coin will come with a Certificate of Donation

Australia's first commemorative $2 coin in colour has been unveiled by the RSL
and the Royal Australian Mint. A unique Australian legal tender, this ground
breaking $2 coin is simply an insurmountable keepsake for every Australian.
The coin depicts the red Flanders Poppy, which is synonymous with
Remembrance Day and the sacrifices made by Australians in conflict.
All funds raised go to support our vital RSL programs helping thousands of
Veterans’ and serving Defence personnel and their families in homes and
communities across Australia.

Available from the RSL National Office at Level 3, 65 Constitution Avenue CAMPBELL ACT
Phone orders can also be made through the National Office at 02 6288 7191.
Please note there will be a minimum postal charge of $5.
www.2d.org.au

Come & Try Joeys
Scouts
Any Wednesday night 6 - 7pm
at 3rd Williamstown Scout Group
12 Thompson St
Williamstown

Joey Scouts offers 6 & 7 year old boys & girls
• A place to make new friends
• Plenty of Fun Games
• Learning how to make things
• Exciting outings & adventures
• Interesting & Fun Crafts
• Learning about nature
• Singing songs at campfires
• And lots more fun things to do!

If you would like to find out more about Joeys Scouts or
to organize some "come and try" sessions
at our weekly meetings on Wednesday nights
call Helena Deahl on 0418 388 436

Williamstown Blue Light
19th April
Newport Baptist Church Hall
26 Mason Street, Newport
7.30 - 9.30pm (9-15 year olds)
Cost: $6.00

Domestic • Commercial
Data & Phone Cabling • Landscape Lighting

Fully Qualified A-Class Electricians
Registered Electrical Contractor

Dean Coleman
0416 676 504

dean@featureelectrical.com.au
ABN: 95 331 620 899
ACN: 127 425 2980
ADVERTISEMENTS

Hairhouse Warehouse
Williamstown
18 Douglas Parade, Williamstown
Telephone 9397 1655
Hair & Beauty Product
Hair Salon, Nail Bar
Body Piercing, Waxing, Spray Tanning
Come in and say Hi to Julie and the Team.

Willy French Club!
Term 2
Wednesdays 3.50pm – 4.50pm
Williamstown Community Centre
14 Thompson St
Now in its 3rd year!

✓ Engaging, fun and effective approach to learning French for 5-12 yr olds
✓ Games, role-play, intimate small group environment
✓ Native French speaker
✓ Includes subscription to our cool website for kids
✓ Come along for try-out

jim.callahan@lcflclubs.com.au
Ph 0432 719 034
www.lcflclubs.com.au

Minuteman Press
1st for Speed and Quality Printing

Printers of Business Cards, Flyers, Design, Letterheads, Posters, Envelopes, Stickers

44 Buckley Street
Footscray, VIC 3011
Email: eckardt@minutemanpress.com
T: 03 9687 3026
F: 03 9689 4991

GKR Karate
Give your child a head start!
GKR Karate is conducting classes for children, adults and families in your area.

✓ Build Confidence ✓ Improve Fitness
✓ Gain Self Discipline ✓ Learn Self Defence

Be one of the first 10 callers and receive a...FREE Trial Membership (normally valued at $90)

Special offer for
New/Small businesses
contact Michelle 0466 726 496
michelle@goodesign.com.au
www.goosedesign.com.au

graphic design
Corporate image
Website design
Photography
Illustration

THE GOOD GUYS
HOPPERS CROSSING
Fab DEALS

FOR ALL YOUR ELECTRICAL NEEDS
HOPPERS CROSSING STORE ONLY!

www.hairhouse.com.au
www.goodguys.com.au
www.minutemanpress.com
www.gkrdesign.com
SPOIL YOUR MUM THIS MOTHER’S DAY
With the Willy North MOTHER’S DAY DRAW
** Chance to win one of 18 prizes! **
Drawn Friday 10 May

All students and families invited to enter our Mother’s Day Raffle to win one of 18 prizes on Friday 10th May. A book of 5 raffle tickets will go home to the eldest child in each family at a cost of $1.00 each or 5 for $5.00. All tickets must be returned to the school by Thursday 9th May.

Winning names will be drawn on Friday afternoon – just in time to win an extra special treat for Mum for Mother’s Day, or maybe a gift for someone else. All proceeds will go back to the school as an addition to the funds already raised at the school fete.

Prizes (in drawn order) will be:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Prize:</th>
<th>Worth:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1 Two 6 month gym memberships for Mum and a friend at Boutique Fitness</td>
<td>$1,000+</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2 Optometry vouchers from Eye Can C</td>
<td>$300</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3 A hair cut and style voucher for Zephyr Salon</td>
<td>$100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4 A stunning Fifth Avenue jewellery set</td>
<td>$100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5 A wash, cut, treatment and blow wave voucher for Maestro Hair</td>
<td>$90+</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6 Pamper bundle including a facial at Martines plus a Miller &amp; Moore bathing products set</td>
<td>$75+</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7 A hair restyle voucher from S&amp;J Pure Hair</td>
<td>$75</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8 A silver Aurora photo frame you can personalise with your favourite baby photo and birth date details, and vouchers for JelliBeen Kids</td>
<td>$55+</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9 A ravishing red jewellery set including two necklaces and a bracelet</td>
<td>$45</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10 Luxurious frangipani moisture cream and soap set</td>
<td>$30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11 Who Wants to be a Millionaire game</td>
<td>$30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12 A gorgeous green necklace and earrings set</td>
<td>$30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13 A meals voucher for Victoria Inn</td>
<td>$25</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14 A beautiful Maxwell &amp; Williams bowtie serving dish</td>
<td>$20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15 May Gibbs Birthday Book</td>
<td>$15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16 Osh Kosh photo frame and notepad</td>
<td>$10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17 A mini toiletries set by Hand Therapies</td>
<td>$5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18 An Aroma Spa set including shampoo and loofah</td>
<td>$5</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

So remember to bring your $1 to join in the fun and for a chance to WIN!!

Sponsored by: