SPECIAL EVENTS

WORKING BEE

We would like to thank the following families and staff for their important and fabulous contribution to Sunday’s Working Bee. Many jobs were undertaken and completed successfully, ensuring that the school’s grounds remain beautiful and safe for the community.

Families

Staff
Sue Pugliese, Mrs Noblett, Mr Paine, Mr Macaulay, Mr Rooks, Mr Parker, Leo the Electrician, Merryn Ashcroft and Elizabeth Beyer.

Working Bees are an opportunity for the community to give back to the school in helping to maintain and beautify the grounds. We are looking forward to greater community support in 2015 to ensure that our grounds can be effectively maintained without outsourcing to private contractors. Please come along to our next Working Bee. It will be a great opportunity to get to know the staff, students and families of the school, whilst performing an invaluable community service.

Loretta Leary
As the student population at Mount Waverley Primary School has grown, we have experienced an increase in the demand for first aid trained office staff to attend to injuries and illnesses, along with the subsequent phone calls to parents and completing the relevant reports.

I have informed staff and School Council that I would like to advertise for a school nurse who would work between the hours of 11.00am – 3.00pm. The registered nurse would also be responsible for:

- Managing anaphylaxis plans and training
- Managing asthma plans and training
- Managing lice checks
- Auditing and replenishing first aid stocks
- Preparing first aid kits for camps and excursions
- Providing health education for the community
- Providing general advice for staff

The employment of a nurse would not replace the need for our staff to be first aid trained but rather heighten our awareness for the need to be first aid trained and the nurse would assist with resourcing appropriate organisations for training at the school.

However, all decisions come at a cost and in this case it would be financial. Unlike some initiatives and changes I implemented in 2014, this is an initiative which I am able to discuss with the community and I would be most interested in ascertaining your feedback before I make my final decision. Although I am happy to receive emails or discuss the matter on the phone, as always I would rather meet in person to discuss the proposal.

If I decide to proceed with employing a school nurse the position will be advertised on the Departments job search, Recruitment Online.

Greg Paine
PRINCIPAL

EMERGENCY INFORMATION FORMS
There are still a number of Emergency Information Forms that have not been returned. It is important that student information and family contact details are updated each year, so please return this form (green) as soon as possible to the Office.

IMPORTANT SCHOOL DATES

27 February
Clean Up Australia Day

2 March
5B & 5D Parliament House
Yr 6 Fire Ed

4 March
Preps Local Fruit Shop Excursion
TWILIGHT SPORTS

5 March
District Tennis Trials
Subway Lunch

6 March
CURRICULUM DAY (Students not at school)

9 March
Labour Day Holiday
10 – 13 March Yr 4 Camp

12 March
Yr 6 Reach Rookies
Parent Forum—Quality Learning project 6.30pm

13 March
Regional swimming

16 March
Yrs P-2 Junior Cross Country
Author Visit Yrs 5&6

17 March
Author Visit Yrs 3&4

18 March
District Tennis

19 March
Hockey Clinic Yrs 3&4

26 March
Racquetball Clinic Yr 6

27 March
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
Early Dismissal 2.30pm

REMINDERS
Permission forms & payments:
- Yr 4 Camp 2015 final payment overdue
- 2015 School Account – overdue. Payment can be made via Qkr, cash, cheque or credit card.
- Yr 5 Integrated Studies Excursion overdue
- Yr 6 Camp deposit due 13 March

EXCURSION LEVY
School fees are due this week. If you choose not to pay the Excursion Levy by Friday 27 February then payment must be made for each individual event as they arise during the year.
Rubbish Free Lunch Day Winners Week 4 Term 1

Congratulations to our winning classes for last week’s Rubbish Free Lunch Day. The winning prep class was Prep F with 100% rubbish free lunches in their class. The winning junior school classes were 1C and 1D with 100% rubbish free lunches in their class. The winning middle school class was 4E with 100% rubbish free lunches in their class. The winning senior classes were 6A and 6D with 100% rubbish free lunches in their class. Our winning classes are rewarded with 15 minutes extra recess! Congratulations!

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FACT and OPINION 2C

It was our turn to complete an activity incorporating gardening last week. As we were learning about fact and opinion, we decided to complete our fact and opinions on plants/trees.

Hi, I'm Earnest and I care about the environment.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY TOMORROW
**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**CHRISTIAN SPECIAL RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTIONS**

The school has been approached by our regular Christian SRI instructors seeking to deliver SRI at Mount Waverley Primary School in 2015.

It is anticipated that the Christian SRI program will recommence in Term 2. A consent form for your child’s participation in Special Religious Instruction (SRI) will be distributed later in the term. There will also be a charge of $10, to cover the cost of the student workbooks.

The Christian Special Religious Instruction program gives students the opportunity to explore Christian beliefs and values. SRI is an extra-curricular activity delivered by volunteers associated with Access Ministry.

Your child will only be eligible to participate in SRI if you return the consent form to school. If your child does not participate they will be engaged in educational activities while SRI is running.

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**TWILIGHT SPORTS**

Our annual Twilight Sports will be held next **Wednesday 4 March** from 6pm-8pm. This is a great night for ALL the family and a chance to meet/catch up with other school families.

Events will take place on the oval. All students will participate in a sprint, novelty event and a team side event. There will also be a parent race towards the end of the night! All activities will earn points towards students’ house totals. Children should wear house colours and come along for a great night of fun and excitement.

Our Parents & Friends group are kindly offering an “easy meal option” by providing a **Sausage Sizzle** from 6.00pm

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**SUBWAY Lunch – Thursday 5 March**

**PLEASE COMPLETE FIRST AND LAST NAME, CLASS AND ORDER ON THE ENVELOPE**.

**INCOMPLETE ORDERS WILL BE SENT BACK TO STUDENTS TO COMPLETE.**

All orders need to be in and paid for by **Monday 2 March by 10am**. **No late orders can be accepted.**

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**COMPASS UPDATE**

There is now a direct link to Compass on the school website.

All notices are now being put onto Compass, as well as Tiqbiz and the school website. To access these go to the Community button and select School Documentation. You will then be able to access all the folders.

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**MWPS DRINK BOTTLES**

Don’t forget we have two styles of MWPS Drink Bottles for sale at the Office. Grey plastic (BPA FREE) with red, blue or green trim or Stainless Steel in Red, Blue and Black with white MWPS logo. Both $8.

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**COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD**

**ASHWOOD JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB**  Boys and girls 7+  Registration now open for U9s U10s U11s Training at Essex Heights Reserve, Outlook Rd, Mt Waverley  www.junior.ashwoodfc.com.au  Phone: Dale on 0419166300 or Tim on 0411 960404

**WAVERLEY VICTORY FOOTBALL CLUB**  Junior Soccer  boys and girls 5+  Information Day 1st March 10am-2pm

Brandon Park Reserve, 649 Ferntree Gully Road, Glen Waverley  www.waverleyvictory.com.au
Big news!...guess who is visiting the whole school in Term 3?

Andy Griffiths!

This is very exciting news for all the children Prep-6. Andy will be coming in Book Week around the time his new book, *The 65 Storey Treehouse*, is launched.

His visit is closely linked with another library event, the *Book Swap*, which this year will be run as a gold coin fundraiser, to support an important cause close to Andy’s heart, Indigenous Literacy. Money raised will be donated to The Indigenous Literacy Foundation, an organisation which works to provide books and literacy resources for indigenous children and communities.  
http://www.indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au/ More information regarding these events will be forthcoming. Look out also for:

**Year 5&6** meeting author Prue Mason who has written the final book in the Through my Eyes series, Zafir.  Mon 16 March

**Year 3&4** enjoying a presentation by Stephan Pastis, visiting from the U.S.A. on a publicity tour for the latest book in his Timmy Failure series Tue 17 March

**Scholastic Book Fair** – coming in Term 2 in Education Week, **Book Swap** – Fri 31 July to raise funds for Indigenous Literacy

**Book Week** – 24-28 August

**Library Open Saturday** – 29 August

Visits, over the year, by all year levels to the local branch of the Monash Library and the Victorian Premier’s Reading Challenge.

Before school in the library...
Clean Up Australia Day at Mt Waverley PS

Sunday (March 1st) is Clean Up Australia Day. This event is held every year around Australia and tonnes of rubbish is collected and disposed of by volunteers. Mount Waverley PS will participate again this year for the 11th year. In this program we aim towards being an environmentally friendly, waste-wise school and community. We will be cleaning the school on **FRIDAY 27th FEBRUARY** as part of our contribution towards cleaning up Australia. All of the children will be involved and we ask that the children bring some old kitchen gloves to wear or a small plastic bag to wear over their hands. Children are also asked to bring a plastic bag for collecting the rubbish, which will be disposed of by Monash City Council. Thank you for your support.

If you would like to participate in Clean Up Australia Day in your local community, register your interest and find a clean up site at the following web address: [http://www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au](http://www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au)

COMMUNITY RECYCLING STATION!!!!!!

Help the planet by doing your bit! Bring your recyclables to us and we will recycle them for you!

We will take: light bulbs, batteries, ink cartridges, mobile phones. Just pop them into the labeled bins at the office (NO RUBBISH IN THE BINS PLEASE) There are also clothing recycling bins located in the Hall foyer and in the Senior Learning Building.

Thanking you on behalf of the children and the environment!

Loretta Leary
Sustainable Environment Leader
**OSHC NEWS**

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to Term1. I hope everyone had a relaxing but fun break! My name is Karen Newham and I will be coordinating the OSHC program. The team is looking forward to being part of the Mount Waverley P.S community.

The next Curriculum Day will be Friday the 6\(^{th}\) of March. If you do need care for that day please log onto [www.campaustralia](http://www.campaustralia.com.au) to add your child/children to that day. We need at least 18 children to operate an all day service (7am till 6:30pm).

If we do not reach the required 18 you will be notified one week prior. Any questions please phone Karen on the above number.

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### REMINDERS

**How to get started** before using our programs register online for an account. Registering is quick and easy. Visit our website to begin [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)

**Once registered** you can make bookings and cancellations, view your statements and manage your details anytime of the day online.

**Save on Care** You can save 50% or more on Before and After School Care fees with the non-means tested Child Care Rebate. Almost all families are eligible. To find out more call our Customer Service Team on 1300 105 343 Monday to Friday.

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