Morwell Park P S  
School Community Newsletter

6th August, 2015

IMPORTANT DATES

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<td>Prep Games Night. 3.15-4.15pm.</td>
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Principal’s Report

**Morwell Regeneration Project**

The Morwell Regeneration project is moving forward and the design for the McDonald St site of the new school is out to tender. We can expect the builders appointed sometime around the end of August and a timeline for construction to be developed from there but most likely around one year from the appointment of builders.

All the school principals are being kept up to date by the Department and we will share more information as it becomes available.

The Morwell Park refurbishment is yet to be finalised however the design was completed years ago.

**Communications Survey**

Attached to this newsletter is a survey regarding communication.

In this ‘communication age’ we are keen to investigate options. Please take the time to complete the survey.

**District Athletics**

Congratulations to those 41 children participating in the District Athletics next Wednesday.

It’s an acknowledgement of their Athletic prowess to make it through to District Level and I wish them every success.

**Jeans For Jeans Day**

It’s Jeans for Jeans day tomorrow whereby children are able to come dressed in their jeans and make a voluntary donation to the Children’s Medical Research Foundation – well done to our Junior School Councillors for organising this event.

**Grade 5/6 Production**

The grade 5/6 Production of “Game On” will now be in Term 4 due to the alterations which are being made in the Performing Arts building at McDonald St in Morwell, the location of our production.

We have rescheduled the production for October 14 and 15 which is the second week of term 4.

**Grade 4A Parent and Teacher Interviews**

My apologies to those parents in Grade 4A who have been waiting for the rescheduled date for Parents and Teacher interviews. I have a good excuse – poor memory!

We have arranged for Miss Allison to be available on Monday August 24 from 9am to 5pm. Please return the interview request forms as early as practicable.

**School Council**

A reminder to school councillors we have a meeting tonight at 5pm in the staff room.

Chris Joustra, Principal.

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**CSEF**

*(CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND)*

**ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?**

**HAVE YOU APPLIED YET**

Applications for this year close at the end of this term, 18th Sept.

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STUDENT AWARDS THIS WEEK

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

PD  Sheniqua G
PG  Zack A S
PW  Marshall C
1C  Dean M
1E  Tyron M
1M  Nicholas L & Tanisha M
2/3A  Taraia L N
2/3D  Jasmine K S
2/3J  Jade H
2/3L  Ethan B
2/3M  Bryce M
4A  Alyssa D
4G  Bella O
5/6H  Jaxen R
5/6S  Shaylee P
5/6V  Daniel McC

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD
Keiran W, 2/3D

AWARD — Getting Along
Charlie L, 2/3A

IT’S NOT OK TO BE AWAY

Student  Kaiden M J, 2/3M
Receives $5.00
Canteen Lunch Voucher.

CLASS  2/3L

YOU CAN DO IT!

TIPS FOR BUSY STUDENTS

Techniques for success.

- Feeling good about your body is important. It is not vain nor time-wasting.
- Dieting works best when you tackle it sensibly; that is, in moderation and regularly.
- Exercising controls weight, works muscles and keeps organs in good shape. It’s also a great way to meet people.

TIPS FOR BUSY PARENTS

- Encourage your children to identify skills they want to strengthen and ways in which they would like to improve.
- Stamp out criticism – it doesn’t improve child performance, or the relationship.
- Teach responsibility by allowing your child to help with family decisions and family chores.
- Reading daily to your young children is one of the most stimulating things you can do for them.

Canteen Roster

Friday 7th August
8.30-10.30  Kerri Kingston
10.30-1.30  Julie McMillian

Monday 10th August

If you are unavailable for any reason please ring the school (5134 1793) to let Deb Minster know. Thank you.
The Value of the Fortnight is: COURAGE

**JEANS FOR GENES DAY**
**Tomorrow**
**Friday 7th August.**

The JSC will be having an Out of Uniform Day on **Friday 7th August**. Students are asked to come dressed in denim and make a **gold coin donation**.

All money raised goes to Children’s Medical Research Foundation.

On Friday 14th August our Junior School Council members will be selling cupcakes at recess to raise funds for the RSPCA. (Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals).

**Prep Enrolments for 2016 have now commenced.**

If you have a child who will be enrolling for Prep next year please contact the office to arrange an appointment to complete the required paperwork. Please be aware that proof of date of birth (eg Birth Certificate) and an Immunisation History Statement are required for enrolment.

The Immunisation History Statement is available from:-

- any Medicare office,
- by ringing 1800 653 809, or

Please also pass this information on to others who may not be aware that enrolments have commenced. School tours are available at any time by appointment. Thank you.

KANJI are a local duo, who are at Morwell Latrobe Valley Hotel 10 am -1 pm every 3rd Monday of the month. Next month's date is the 17th of August. Hope to see you there!
**SPECIAL LUNCH DAY**

**HPV FUNDRAISER**

A ‘special lunch order’ day on Wednesday 9th September has been organised to help raise money for the RACV Energy Breakthrough event in November.

Lunch order forms have been sent home today, please return orders and money by Friday 4th September, (*NO LATE ORDERS*).

Spare forms are available at the office.

We hope everyone will support our fundraising event.

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**JSC EXCURSION TO PARLIAMENT HOUSE**

The Junior School Councillors visited Parliament House last Tuesday. We travelled to Melbourne on the train to Flinders Street Station then walked to Parliament House.

The children were taken through the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council. Our guide Craig talked to the children about how Government is formed and the members who sit in each section. Russell Northe also visited the children explaining his role and gave the children an opportunity to ask questions.

Unfortunately we did not get to see question time but we were lucky enough to go and sit in the seats where all the members sit when Parliament is sitting. This is something we have never had the opportunity to do so it was very special to the children.

We had lunch next to Parliament House then walked to the State Library and saw Ned Kelly’s armour. The Library is huge. We went to the sixth floor and looked down into the Library.

We walked to Melbourne Central and had a look at some of the shops then we had Macca’s.

After a very long day we arrived home safe and sound at 5.30.

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**School Photos**

Envelopes have been given out and can be returned any time up to photo day, but **MUST** be here on 3rd Sept.

Family photo order forms are available from the office.
Date: 6th August 2015

COMMUNICATION SURVEY

Dear Parent/Guardian,

As part of our efforts to further strengthen and actively engage families as partners in their child’s learning we would appreciate your feedback about your preferred way of communicating with us.

Your participation in this process would be greatly appreciated so we can consolidate the relationship between the school and the home in an effort to improve your child’s school experience.

Please tick the box or boxes below which best indicate the way you would prefer to communicate with our Staff.

Regards,

Peter Credlin, Assistant Principal.

PS: Once again, we also extend the invitation to either visit your child’s classroom (e.g. assist with reading) or help out generally around the school. Please notify the relevant teacher.

PARENT COMMUNICATION SURVEY Please complete and return to school asap.

Family Name: ................................. Child’s Grade(s) ......................

☐ Telephone  ☐ Other (please specify) ....................................................
☐ Email ................................................................. .............................
☐ Facebook/Social Media ............................................................
☐ Written (hard copy) ............................................................
☐ SMS ................................................................. .............................
☐ Face to face ................................................................. .............................

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