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Diary Dates

Term 1 Diary Dates 2009.

Monday 16th – Friday 20th February - Grade 5/6 Camp

Friday 27th February - Welcome Drinks for Parents, School Hall 7.30pm

Monday 2nd March – Games Morning “Do You Want To Play”

Monday 9th March – Labour Day Public Holiday

Wednesday 11th March – “Do You Want to Play” Twilight Picnic 5.00pm

Tuesday 17th March – School Photos

Friday 15th May – Grandparents’ Day

Term Dates for 2009

Term 1: Monday 2nd February to 3rd April

Term 2: 20th April to 26th June

Term 3: 13th July to 18 September

Term 4: 5th October to 18th December

A Message from the Principal

Congratulations to Preps on attending assembly already! Well done, Mrs Kavanagh, Ms Walker and Mr Clyde.

School Council

Please consider nominating for a position on School Council. Information has been sent home. Consider supporting the school and providing the GPS with a vision and help to implement it. If you would prefer to assist by being a member of a sub- committee of School Council we welcome new members. You can be on sub-committees even if you are not on School Council. Sub-committees in 2008 were: Education, Finance, Buildings and Grounds, Publicity and Marketing and GOSH (Before and After care). **Nominations are closed at 4.00pm today.**

If we have more nominations than positions we will need to have an election. You will be notified of the names of the applicants so you can then vote.

Level 4 are touring Canberra.

Yesterday they visited the National Museum, Regatta Point – for an exhibition, Parliament House for a guided tour and Education program and meeting Petro Georgio for afternoon tea. Today they are visiting Old Parliament House, the High Court and the National Gallery. I guess the Australian Institute of Sport will be popular. In the evening they are going to view Canberra from the Mount Ainslie lookout. Thursday they will be at the memorials of ANZAC Parade. Martin House members can see the special display at the War Memorial in honour of James Martin.

Finally they will spend the afternoon at the Questacon – the National Science and Technology Centre.

DYWTP games morning on Monday 2nd March – put it in your calendar and invite other parents to come along and join in the day.

GTKY Twilight Picnic will be held on Wednesday 11th March. All welcome. Bring a rug and a picnic tea and meet other families and teachers from 5 -7.

Congratulations to the following students who were voted as House and sports Captains by their peers. We have increased the number of captains for 2009 because there are more students than in past years.

Slyth House Captains: Edward McDonald and Alasdair Harris. Sport’s Captains: Jennifer Tarry-Smith and Jamie Whelan.

Martin House Captains: George Mellos and Jasmine Roney. Sport’s Captains: Katie Teseroro and Damian Sgardelis.

Owen House Captains: Michael Sandbach and Maddy Benallack. Sport’s Captains: Nick van de Garde and Dylan Pylka.

Jonah House Captains: McKenzie Ryan and Laura Aldous. Sport’s Captains: James Ward and William Selbie. I look forward to working with all captains during the year. Badges will be presented to the captains at assembly on Monday 23rd February.

Thank you all for your overwhelming support of our efforts to help the victims of the Victorian bushfires.

Marlene Laurent

\$\$\$\$ IGA DOCKETS \$\$\$\$

Have you been shopping at IGA Hawthorn? (either Glenferrie Rd or Burwood Rd). If you have I hope you have been saving your docket. Did you know (especially new parents to GPS) that the school gets a % of the total of all the docket we collect? And this adds up. Last year the school had several thousand dollars to spend on items for our children. So all you have to do is collect your docket (and also get any family or friends to save theirs) and put them in the box on top of the pigeon holes near the office. I have already had over 300 docket to total this week, so remember to drop in the docket collected over the holidays. And just to help me it would be great if you have a couple of minutes to flatten out the docket and whack in a staple, paper clip or rubber band, this makes for much quicker additions, if you don’t have time or just have the odd docket

Cheers Libby Glover

We Need You – Welcome Drinks

Come along and have a drink and a laugh with old friends and new at the Welcome Drinks on Friday 27th February at 7.30pm.

Tickets only \$15. RSVP by 19th February.

Any queries or if you can volunteer on the night please call Juliette on 0407 079041.

Thanks Cherie & Juliette



Year 5/6 Art Excursion

I am planning on taking the 5/6 students to visit the Town Hall Gallery, Hawthorn to see the exhibition 'I wear my heart on my tee 2'. This is an exhibition to celebrate the t-shirt as an artist's canvas and will showcase some fun and inspiring designs from Melbourne based artists. I'm sure this will inspire students for their work later in the art room.

Classes will walk to the gallery in their art session in week 5 (week after camp) and is covered by the local excursion form. So:

5/6D = Monday 23rd Feb at 1.50 pm

5/6T = Tuesday 24th Feb at 9.00 am

5/6C = Wednesday 25th Feb at 11.00 am

The exhibition runs from Wed 11th Feb till Sat 7th March. The gallery is free and open to the public Wed – Sat, 12 – 5 pm. Exhibitions change each month and are worthwhile visiting.

Regards

Judi Hayton

Co-ordinator 'The Arts'

WORLDS GREATEST SHAVE

My name is Courtney. I am in grade 5/6T

I'm supporting the "World's Greatest Shave" on 12-14 March by colouring my hair either PINK or RED or GREEN or BLUE.

You can vote for a colour when you make a donation.

I would love if you could support me. Please see me before/after school or at lunchtime.

LUNCH ORDERS

School Council is currently investigating other options for Monday school lunches. Until it is finalise there will be no school lunch orders.

ICY POLE FRIDAY

Icy Pole Friday continues every Friday at lunchtime. Still only 50cents Helpers always welcome leave your name at the office if you are to help.

Pupil of the Week

1A - Arkie Ryan for her wonderfully painted Australian scene. Great job Arkie!

Ethan Sullivan for his enthusiasm and fantastic contributions in class discussions. Well done Ethan!

1V - Archie Gill for excellent attention to detail in making his Aboriginal Flag. Well done, Archie!

Amelia James for terrific journal writing. Great work, Amelia!

2L - Alannah Sparks for being very organised and sensible in class. Well done, Alannah.

Patrick Suci Santos Da Silva for being very kind and welcoming to international students in our school. Thanks, Patrick.

3M - Alec Chesterfield for being a great helper in class. Keep it up.

Ayesha Imara for being such a quiet worker in class. Well done.

4P - Nicholas Papavisioliou for excellent participation in class, and his positive attitude to learning.

Madeleine Crosthwaite for her excellent effort with her work and her creative ideas.

4T - Ryan Hexter for putting in his best effort when practising his times tables. Excellent, Ryan!

Alex Kamille for organising a very interesting, free-choice chatterboxing presentation this week. Great, Alex!

Uniform Shop

Opening Mondays from 3.15 – 3.45pm. If you have any queries about uniforms call Wendy on 9818 3365. We have ordered required stock and will let you know when it arrives.

Wendy Mattschoss

Banking

School banking will recommence next week on Thursday 26th February. Student banking is offered weekly for all students. Application forms are available from the office and students are encouraged to bank EVERY THURSDAY.

Parent volunteers process the banking weekly via computer and a percentage of money banked is returned to the school as commission. If you would like to volunteer to help with the banking, please leave your name at the office. Two parents are rostered on weekly. *Jane James coordinator*

Hawthorn Citizens "Hawks" Junior Football Club

How would you like to wear the same jumper that former Citz player Campbell Brown wears in the AFL? Then make sure you are registered to play – put Sunday 15th February in your diary! We have teams for Under 9's (Tackers) through to Under 15's. Registration will be conducted at the Victoria Road Reserve on Sunday 15 February between 12pm – 3pm. Your 2009 Coach will be there to welcome you if you register between 12-1pm. All registration enquiries to Andrew Sharrock on (0439) 942 852 or email to sharroca@anz.com.

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