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## Diary Dates 2009

### TERM 2

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> – Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April** – Somers Camp

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May** – House Cross Country

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May** – Mother's Day Pamper Morning

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May** – Sovereign Hill Excursion, Level 4

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May** – School Council Meeting, 7.00pm

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May** – Naplan Testing

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May** – Grandparent's Day

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May – 22<sup>nd</sup> May** – Education Week

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May** – Open Day

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May** – Book Fair

### Term Dates for 2009

**Term 1:** 2<sup>nd</sup> February to 3<sup>rd</sup> April

**Term 2:** 20<sup>th</sup> April to 26<sup>th</sup> June

**Term 3:** 13<sup>th</sup> July to 18 September

**Term 4:** 5<sup>th</sup> October to 18<sup>th</sup> December

## Message from the Principal

The Level 3 working bee was very successful with an overwhelming response from parents with approximately 50 parents attending and others making a financial commitment. The garden bed at the back of the new building was dug over and planting done, synthetic grass swept, cottage cleared, Library readied, tan bark raked, gutters cleared. Your support is greatly appreciated and the school looked wonderful!

The new building was officially opened by Mr John Lenders – Treasurer of Victoria, at 9.00am yesterday. Thanks to Mrs Withy, Marg Barlow, Julie Ellison, Mr Quinn, Mrs Hayton and parent helpers for their contribution to the smooth running of the morning. Other guests included Mr Ted Baillieu, Mr John Siriano and Mr Geoff Burt (Past Principals), Mr Jeremy Beard, Mrs Coralee Pratt and Mr Paul Taggart (Eastern Region representatives) and Mr Phil Meggs representing Boroondara Council (our local rep). Library and House Captains did a great job welcoming guests and touring them through the new building. The students were superb and I was very proud of them.

Year 6 students represented the school at the Legacy Commemorative Day Service as part of the ANZAC Day ceremonies. Zali H and Daniel V placed a wreath next to the eternal flame on behalf of Glenferrie Primary and Jamie W and Damian S proudly held the school banner during the service. Each student was presented with a sprig of thyme and a miniature Australian flag and a badge. Michael S proudly wore his Grandfather's WW1 and WW2 medals and Louise A wore WW2 medals belonging to my father. All students helped carry the wreaths from near the flame to a special commemorative olive tree garden at the shrine. Thanks to Mrs. Scully for attending the day with Mr Curtis and myself. The students were wonderful as usual.

Parents and Friends are designing a folder for the storage of student reports. The folder will be in the school colours with the school logo. We need 225 orders to make it viable. Please return the expression of interest by Wed May 6<sup>th</sup>. No money yet thanks.

*Marlene Laurent*

## School Matters

### Student Wellbeing News

The latest copy of Parent News has arrived at the school. It contains a wealth of information on parenting courses on children aged from toddlers to adolescents. Courses cover a wide range of topics including 'Parenting after Separation' and 'Taking the Frustration out of Parenting'.

For any parenting enquiries call Parentline: Mon-Fri. 8am-12 midnight, Sat. and Sun 10am-10pm on 13 22 89

Our copy of Parent News can be found on the Parent Noticeboard in the school Hall. Please do not remove this resource from the school so others can also access it.

### School Photographs

Children in the SRC and House Captains can order group photos. A sample of each photograph is on display outside the office. All children should have received an envelope for ordering. Spare envelopes are available from the office. Orders need to be in by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May. If you need to contact the photographers, call them on 1300 766 055.

*Jeanette Riordan-Withy*

### **Year 6 to Year 7 Transition**

Just a quick reminder that all forms for Year 6 secondary placement in 2010 must be returned to Mr Quinn by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May. This includes forms from students who will be attending a non-government school next year.

*David Quinn*

### **Library Opening**

Thank you to all the parents who helped with various aspects of the opening. A special thank you to Wendy Mattschoss, Suzie Collie and Noni Rickard for taking charge of the morning tea preparations and serving the tea and coffee. Thanks for a great job.

*Jeanette Riordan-Withy*



May is National Family Reading month and our school is hosting a Jurassic Book Fair to celebrate. Our school's Book Fair is a great way to get your child reading- and we need your help!!

During May our school is hosting a family Reading Challenge, where we encourage families to read with their child for 15 minutes every day of the month of May! Your child will bring home your family reading challenge booklet which opens out to a family reading challenge poster, so that you can track your family's reading progress. At the end of May your family will be acknowledged on our reading family's honour roll.

I look forward to seeing you at our Jurassic Book Fair. It's a great place to find exciting new books to read for your Family reading challenge!

*Natalie Benson*

### **Privacy Training**

A reminder that there will be a Privacy Training session held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May in the new Library at 9.30am or as soon as the Assembly is over if it should run late. The session will run for approximately 30 minutes. This session is for parents who are interested in being classroom helpers and who have not previously attended a Privacy Training session. Please register your interest via the school's website by clicking on the link Privacy Training. If you are unable to attend that day and would like to attend a session at another time then please complete the registration form and indicate your preference of day and time

## **Glenferrie Sports News**

### **Physical Education News**

PLEASE NOTE House Cross Country has been postponed to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> of May, 11.00am – 12.30pm, at Fairview Park. The date for the District Cross Country will remain the same, Friday May 15<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon at Victoria Park in Kew. Please keep these dates in your diary.

I will require parent helpers to be marshals & to set up and help me lift things on the 8<sup>th</sup>.

Please contact me at school if you can help.

A notice with all the official details will be sent home shortly.

### **Grade 6 Sport.**

Begins on the 8<sup>th</sup> of May. We are playing home to Camberwell.

Soccer & Tee ball are at Fairview. Netball will be at school.

*Alex Johnson*

## **Community Notices**

### **GPS Folders – Expression of Interest**

We are seeking an expression of your interest in buying a quality GPS folder for each of your children to store school reports, certificates and suchlike.

Over the years, many parents have expressed interest in the idea of an attractive folder to store their child's documents and to keep as a keepsake. The Parents and Friends Committee have investigated the costs of printing folders, and we need to confirm that there is enough interest in buying the folders before we commit to having them printed.

The print run will be a one-off, so if you have children starting in the future or children that have left GPS please include them in this order! Please feel free to share this offer with families that may have recently completed their primary education at GPS and include their order with your order.

The folder will be a 50mm wide A4 ring-binder that is printed in the school colours (blue logo on white gloss background). The lining on the inside of the folder will be GPS blue. Included will be a bank of 7 white dividers and some plastic pockets.

We need at least 225 orders to make it viable! Assuming that we get expressions of interest for more than 225 folders we are aiming to have them printed and ready for you so that you will have a new folder to store this semesters report in.

You might like to purchase an extra one to keep all your GPS information in, such as the phone lists, school contact details and other notices.

If you are interested please fill out the form available from the website ([http://www.glenferrie.vic.edu.au/text/parents\\_friends\\_a9xj.htm](http://www.glenferrie.vic.edu.au/text/parents_friends_a9xj.htm) ) and return it to school by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May – no payment is required at this stage.

Thanks for your continued support,  
*The Parents and Friends Committee*

### **Production Meeting**

Just a reminder for all interested parents who are interested in finding out more about the production costumes to attend a **meeting next Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> April at 2.30pm** in the staff room. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like to know more, please call Cathie Moulton 9819 0252 or 0419 346 435.

Some of the skills we need include: gluing, cutting, coordinating, taking measurements, sorting, hanging, naming costumes, making cups of tea, ironing, hand sewing and machine sewing, shopping/sourcing materials, painting, making pom poms, hosting a sewing bee in your home. **YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE ABLE TO SEW!** Any amount of time you can volunteer is valuable, even an hour!

*Cathie Moulton*

### **Mothers Day Pamper Morning**

The pamper morning will be held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> and/or Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May, from 8.15am. A flyer will be sent home tomorrow where you can nominate the day you wish to attend. Please return forms and payment ASAP to the office. Hope you are looking forward to a fabulous “pamper morning”. Any enquiries contact Karissa on 0438 943 686

### **Support Bushfires Affected Areas**

During the Easter holidays we went to Kinglake, our favourite place for raspberries u-pick. The idea was to support farms and business that have survived and/or reopened. We had to brace ourselves for what we saw: vast areas of burned trees and houses, really hard to describe.

The famous Kinglake raspberry farm has been partly destroyed, but several plots have survived and now have autumn raspberries for u-pick. We were the only people picking on the farm that afternoon: weird feeling knowing that under different circumstance on such a beautiful, school holiday day, the farm would be busy.

Talking to the locals, they would love to see more people coming, to boost the local business activity, however many still aren't sure if it's OK to come. So, if you can it would be great to visit the bushfire affected communities and spend some money: pick the fruit, have a lunch or coffee, support the local business. Call or check on the internet to see if the roads are open to where you intend to go.

For more info about Kinglake raspberries visit their website:

<http://www.kinglake-raspberries.com.au/index.htm>

*Simic Family*

#### **Aussie Farmers Direct – The Milkman's Back!**

Don't forget to return your expression of interest form that was attached to the last newsletter in Term 1 for the Aussie Farmers Direct FREE home delivery service. Please return by the end of the week.

#### **Free Ladies D.I.Y. Workshops Bunnings Warehouse Hawthorn**

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April  
6pm-8.30pm

Celebrity gardener – Jane Edmanson  
Bookings and more information on 8862 9500.

#### **Information Night Canterbury Girls' Secondary College**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2009  
7.30pm

Mangarra Road  
Canterbury 3126  
9830 5099  
[www.cgsc.vic.edu.au](http://www.cgsc.vic.edu.au)

#### **Entertainment Books**

If you have ordered an Entertainment Book they are now available for collection from the office

## Pupil of the Week

Class	Student	For
<b>OC</b>	Nicholas B. Archer W.	Being a whiz kid when comparing objects from heaviest to lightest. Trying really hard in class and for a terrific Chatterbox talk to our class about his holidays.
<b>1A</b>	Chelsea Mc. Escher C.	Showing great confidence and settling in so well into Year 1. Fabulous Chelsea! Great improvement in his work. Well done Escher!
<b>1T</b>	Issy F. Lachlan J. Ikshita N. Holly M.	Great improvement in the presentation of her work. What a treasure! Working well in all areas and finishing off his work so well. What a delight! Settling in so well to Glenferrie. What a treasure! Working so well in all areas and finishing her work so well. What a treasure!
<b>2B</b>	Jasmine T. Alex L.	Sharing her fabulous imagination in story writing. Well done! Fantastic effort in suing paragraphs in his writing. Well done!
<b>2L</b>	India C. Lisette B.	Enthusiastic and well prepared chatterboxing each week. Super, India! Doing a great job with her homework every week. Well done Lisette!
<b>3M</b>	Lilly T. Nicholas J.	Putting such a great effort into her Aussie icons project. Well done Lilly! A perfect record in his spelling test so far this year. Great work Nick!
<b>4P</b>	Lucy E. Zephyr H.	The outstanding effort made during activities, and for the excellent results achieved! Applying himself well during maths and working diligently when solving problems.
<b>5/6D</b>	Zoe G.  Declan N.	Writing an excellent atmospheric description about being at her holiday home. Top writing Zoe! Writing a dramatic description about playing a game of football. Very strong writing Declan!
<b>L.O.T.E.</b>	Jennifer T. 5/6C Laura A. 5/6C	Writing an excellent draft for her play presentation. Keep up the great work. Brava! Her excellent role play presentation in Italian to the grade. Keep up the great work. Brava!