

# Wonthaggi Primary News



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## For your Diary

### Thursday 8th –Friday 9th October

- Grade 2 Camp

### Friday 9th October

- Zone Athletics Carnival (Ballam Park) - selected students

### Tuesday 13th October -Option 1

- Prep 2010 Transition Day  
10.00am—11.00am Room 4

### Wednesday 14th October-Option 2

- Prep 2010 Transition Day  
10.00am—11.00am Room 4

### Tuesday 13th—Friday 16th

- Grade 5 Bike Ed Camp

### Friday 23rd October

- District Softball Carnival

### Tuesday 3rd November

- Melbourne Cup Day Holiday (Student Free day)

### Thursday 5th November

- Grade 1 Tea

**Reminder that  
Sunsmart Hats  
must be worn while  
outside in Term 4.**

## From the Principal

### It is great to be back

Term 3 has absolutely flown and it is great to be back after my study tour of schools and school systems in the USA and other areas. These schools have some good things happening, however one of the key things that was reinforced is the quality of teaching and learning that is taking place in Wonthaggi Primary. This has been highlighted through the current level of classroom coaching, shadowing, observing and learning from colleagues that is currently taking place.

### Grade 2 Camp & Grade 5 Bike Ed. Camp

Our Grade 2 students are on camp today (Thursday) and tomorrow at Inverloch. The camping program that our staff, Mrs Sadler, Mrs Leversha, Ms Hiscock, Di Johnson and Mr Rankin have put in place looks great. The weather looks like it will be absolutely wonderful and we wish them all the best and look forward to seeing them later tomorrow.

Next week our Grade 5 students will take part in the Bike Ed. Camp at Inverloch. The students have been busily preparing for this camp, which is a great experience for all participants.

### Building Education Revolution (BER) Update

The re-flooring and carpeting in Rooms 1-7, along with the Art Room & Staff Room has been completed. These rooms have been replastered, repainted, flooring reconditioned and new carpet during the last two years and are looking very good.

We expect that the refurbishing of the administration & office areas will be completed during next week and we should be receiving the interactive whiteboards during the next couple of weeks.

### Start of the School Day

The morning period before school is an important time for teachers to prepare for the teaching and learning that takes place during the day. As a result, just a reminder that the doors of the quadrangles are opened for students and parents at 8:50am. If parents would like to meet with teachers, please see the teacher to organise a suitable time, which is generally after school.

Principal  
Wes Holloway

*Across the desk of the Assistant Principal .*

**Welcome back to a new Term!** Spring is in the air as we head towards Summer and of course Christmas. The remainder of the school year will go very quickly, particularly for our exiting Grade 6 students who will head off to secondary school next year. To those students I wish them well as they try and achieve their academic goals. Term 4 will be busy-we have a great deal of teaching and learning going on in the classroom, including student assessments as teachers commence the process of writing Semester 2 Reports.

If you wish to have your child participate in the free and exciting **Active After School Care Program for Term 4**, please enrol your child at the office as spaces are filling quickly. The Active After School Care Program is a Federal Government initiative funded through the Australian Sports Commission to enhance & promote physical exercise and games for primary school aged children. The Active ASC Program is conducted over a 7 week period and held on Monday and Tuesday after school 3.30-4.30pm. Mr Rankin (our HPE Coordinator) will conduct multi-skill games in the gym. It should be an exciting time for the Active ASC Program!

Our **Term 4 Value** is **'Just Do It (Confidence)'** and is part of our **Dolphin Award Program**. All Dolphin Award recipients (those students who best model confidence and have the ability to take socially acceptable risks as chosen by their classroom teacher) will receive a badge, certificate & ribbon at the end of Term 4 at school assembly.

The **Grade 6 Peer Mediation Program** is still going along nicely at recess and lunchtimes with our Peer Mediators doing a sterling job. Grade 5 students have now come into the equation learning the procedures and protocols, working along side the experienced Grade 6 Peer Mediators.

I look forward to taking students to the **Westernport Zone Athletics Carnival** tomorrow at Ballam Park. The bus leaves at 7.30am from Drysdale Street and will return at approximately 4.00pm. Best of luck to all our athletes, 17 of them, and thanks to Mr Rankin for all his hard work with the team.

**Travelling to and from school safely—it is an important aspect of school life.** Please ensure that your child abides by the road laws (and common sense!) whether they travel by car, bus, walk, ride bikes or scooters (bike helmets must be worn!).

Parents are reminded to make sure that **school uniforms are clearly labelled**. There is still great deal of lost property around the school. School hats need to be worn during Term 4 and also need to be labelled.

**Students are not to enter the Quadrangles before 8.50am** - before this time is classroom preparation time and the teachers are extremely busy! If parents wish to catch up with their child's teacher please make an appointment beforehand. Our school needs to start classes promptly at 9.00am.

*Vin Hally*

*Assistant Principal*

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

O/M	Zara	for her fantastic effort in all areas.
O/W	Joel	for his great work in all areas.
1/2 H	Riley	for his great improvement in his reading.
1/2 L	Mahayla	for always demonstrating a willingness to learn.
1/2 S	Darren	excellent home reading habits for the year.
3/4 m	Jaxon	for a fantastic effort this term.
3/4 o	Alex	for a fantastic effort on his acrostic poem about 'strawberries'.
	Faith	Welcome to our school.
4/5 I	Angela	for being a wonderful student at Grade 4 camp.
4/5 W	Jade	for her positive attitude & always being happy.
5/6 C	Kurt	for his sense of fair play & fun and for being a caring & kind friend.
5/6 M	Kat	for being a positive & co-operative class member.

## AFTER SCHOOL CARE

I hope everyone had a relaxing holiday. Our active program is starting next week. Wil Rankin is running Multi-skills, Monday and Tuesday nights. It runs 3.30-4.30 for 7 weeks of the term. It is a free program. It is a great way to get your children active and having lots of fun. Please contact myself or the office if you would like to enrol your children.

Thanks

ASC coordinator

Alex Holness

## CITIZENSHIP AWARDS:

**Archie** for helping sweep the gym.

**Grace G.** for picking up papers.

## P & F News

*Thanks to all who supported our Devonshire Tea stall at the Art Show on Thursday 17th September. We were able to raise \$80.00 from this fundraiser. Our next meeting will be on Thursday 7th October in staffroom at 9 am. All Welcome.*

## Fruit Tuesday

Grade 1/2L are in charge of 'Fruit Tuesday' this term. We need volunteers ( who hold a Working With Children Check) to take two children from 1/2L shopping for fruit at IGA on a Tuesday morning and then to cut the fruit and serve onto platters. If you can spare some time to help with this it would be greatly appreciated. Please see Megan to add your name to the roster. Thank you.

## From the Art Room .

Thankyou to everyone who supported our students by attending the Art Show at the end of last term. The Art Show was a fantastic opportunity to see all the brilliant work our creative children have been making. Thankyou also to all the students, teachers and parents who helped with this event, particularly Pat, Kristy, Mairin, Tanya, David, Leticia, Charlie and Catherine. On the night parents could order their childrens work framed. If you would still like to have this done it is \$25.00 and you can order and pay at the office. These will be ready to be picked up next week. **Winner of 'Best in Show'**- Caitlyn 1/2L - **ceramic 'Monkey Face'**.

Runner Up - Paul OW - **'Boat'**

Raffle Winner - Aaliyah OW

Thank you again to everybody for making this such a successful event. Pirili - Art Teacher

## Sports News

Congratulations and best wishes to the following students who will represent the South Coast cluster of schools at the Zone Athletics Carnival to be held on Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> October at Ballan Park, Frankston:

High Jump Gemma H, Ashleigh E, Akasha

Triple Jump Jade D

100m Holly, Lachlan B

Discuss Archie, Holly

Long Jump Riley S

Hurdles Brent, Lachlan B

200m Jade D, Mathew W.

800m Alex, Mathew L.

1500m Courtney

Relay (10yrs) Gemma H, Renee D, Georgia, Karlee

Relay (11yrs) Brent, Riley S, Lachlan S, Archie

Will Rankin  
Sports Coordinator

PET SHOW – for pets AND their owners!

Do you have the cutest, ugliest, most talented or best dressed pet in town? OR maybe you like dressing up as your favourite animal?

Then enter our Pet Show being held at the San Remo Foreshore Reserve on Sat 24 October.

Gift bag for each entrant plus prizes for winners of each category. Information and Entry forms with next weeks Newsletter

The PET EXPO is on between 10am and 3pm and includes market stalls, dog obedience demos, guest speakers and demonstrations.

Stallholders invited (pet related only) - No charge – conditions apply

Further enquiries/bookings please contact Community Safety Rangers at the Bass Coast Shire Council on 5671 2722 or 1300 BCOAST

**Wonthaggi Workmens Cricket Club**  
**U/12's Training.**

Wonthaggi Workmen's Cricket Club welcomes all new and current U/12 Cricketers to start the 2009 season.

Our first training session will commence Friday 16th October at 4.30pm. Our home ground is located at McMahon Reserve (Cameron St, Wonthaggi). Please bring what Cricket gear you have and wear a white shirt if possible. For more information contact Under 12's coach, Steve Brann on 0429001396.

This is a fund raising event

## Family Fun Day

for Jaxon

# Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October

10am-1pm

### **'The Glade' Inverloch**

Jumping Castle	Sausage sizzle
Face Painting	Police Car
Kids Train Rides	Fire Trucks
Clown (Lollies and Balloons)	Lucky Dip
Popcorn	Music & Dancing
Balloon Sculpting	Caffe Alfresco
Activity Table	Raffle (4 prizes)
Sports (Cricket)	LJ Hooker Bear
Basketball hoops	Bendigo Bank PIGGY

Entry & Activities by Gold Coin Donation - Good Will

100% of all funds raised will go directly to assist a local boy named Jaxon who was recently diagnosed with Leukaemia THANK YOU...