Schoolies Revolution 2016 Fundraiser

My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2 (M)

Date: Thurs. 24th March 2016
Time: 7pm
Where: Wonthaggi Cinema

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Hope to see you there on the night. Kind Regards, Jessica Hyde

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Wonthaggi Primary News

Number 07

From the Principal

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

Thank you to the parents that have nominated for 2016 School Council. The number of nominations matched the vacancies so we are pleased to confirm your representative council for 2016 as:

- Kylie Talani
- Michelle Smith
- Nathan Leversha
- Michelle Mabilia
- Claudia Murray
- Brendan Smith
- Jesse Sago
- Megan Jackson
- Lyndal Peterson

The staff representatives are Wendy Bradley, Karyn Thomas and Jenna Elliot.

Leanne Anstey is the Executive Officer.

Our Annual Handover Meeting will be held on Thursday March 17th in the Senior Learning Centre commencing at 4:30pm. This will be followed by an ordinary meeting at approximately 7:30pm.

SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS—POSTPONED

As part of our ongoing building inspections, a recent audit of the Swimming Pool has deemed the bench seating unsafe for use for whole school events. The School Council and Department of Education will be exploring solutions for this issue, therefore the Swimming Sports will be postponed until Term 4. This will give us a chance to celebrate the summer swimming season with a great community event.

Our Parents and Friends AGM and Meeting will be held in the Staffroom at 9am TOMORROW. Please consider joining this team to support some of the additional learning programs for your children.

This Tuesday was International Women’s day, which was a focus for celebrations of respect, appreciation towards women for their economic, political, and social achievements. Arieta from grade 2 attended a celebration which was a focus for Garma, who was admitted to the Honor Roll for her commitment to Indigenous Women’s Health. The following is part of an article in Tuesday’s Age.

It’s been quite a pleasure to be an Aboriginal girl, with a kind school, and a Victorian Honour Roll of Women was exciting. “It was special seeing her up the front there. Garma has been helping lots of Aboriginal people stay well. She is a kind and loving person. She loves to laugh, and she teaches me. “Girls have a go at anything,” she says. “I could be Prime Minister one day, probably. But I would rather be a midwife and also an artist. I’m not sure – that’s just what I’m planning for now.”

Congratulations to our amazing swimmers who competed at the District Sports, well done to Alicia S, Jos A and Zac M who placed 1st and 2nd in each of their individual events. Also congratulations to Alicia, Jasmin, Tess B and Georgie M on their 2nd placing in the 12/13 girls 50m freestyle relay. A special congratulations to Zac M, who broke records in his age group.

Our fabulous 5 will continue onto the Regional Competition in Sale next Thursday 17th March. GOOD LUCK.

SAFE TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

Bass Coast Shire Council has advised that as a direct result of our school participating in the Safe to School program, Local Laws Rangers will be periodically patrolling the roads around our school at both drop off and pick up times. Please ensure you park in the correct areas and obey all parking signs.

Reminders:

- The School Bank is open Thursday. Do you want your child to learn saving? Contact the Office for a start up pack.
- Each Friday 8.15am in the Art Room.
- Prep Children do not attend school on Wednesday for the whole of Term 1.

PHOTO COMPETITION

SCHOOL PHOTOS

TUESDAY 3RD MAY

REMINDER: School Banking is on

THURSDAY 10th
- School Council Sub-Committee Meetings
- Labour Day Public Holiday

WEDNESDAY 16th
- Parent Teacher Interviews

THURSDAY 17th
- School Council Meeting
- Annual Eater Raffle drawn at Assembly
- Regional Swimming - Sale

FRIDAY 18th
- House Swimming Sports

WEDNESDAY 23rd
- Annual Easter Raffle drawn at Assembly

THURSDAY 24th
- LAST DAY OF TERM 1 - Dismissal at 3:30pm

AUGUST
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**PARENTS AND FRIENDS**

*S/Sports Day Wristbands*

Wristband fund raiser is still going! The kids love wearing them and love supporting their team. Get in early before they sell-out. You can purchase these from the office for $2 in your child’s house colour.

Yellow = Somerset, Blue = McCracken and Red = Abercrombie.

**Annual Easter Raffle**

It’s that time of year again. We are holding our Annual Easter Raffle to be drawn at Assembly on Wednesday 23rd March. Tickets for the raffle have been sent out in last weeks newsletter and are selling for 50c each or 3 for $1.00. More tickets are available from the office.

There are 3 Prize Categories:

- Each child that brings in a donation of chocolate will get one entry into the class draw to win a prize/s. There are 13 prizes (one for each grade).
- The student who sells the most tickets and raises the most money will win a basket of chocolates. The major raffles.

Drawn at Assembly on Wednesday 23rd March.

Last year we raised a total of $1700 and we hope to beat that this year and we are sure that with your support we can. Any donations for the hampers are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off to your class teacher so your child gets their entry into the class draw. We thank you for your support.

Parents and Friends

**MUSIC NEWS**

This week we have enjoyed creating a percussion orchestra using our skills of looking, listening and our knowledge of beat/rhythm. This gives us time to think about how chords and notes fit together with beat, and encourages group work. We played with different student conductors being the leader, along with our song of the week ‘Tall Trees.’

We learnt a new chant called ‘ip, dip, dip.’ Pleasingly siblings teach each other these chants and songs at home, so you’ve probably heard it being chanted!

We have a visiting performer coming on the last day of term at 11:30. As in the past, families are welcome to attend this event. See information on ‘Circo Folklorico’ below.

Ruth Chambers
Music Teacher

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![Circo Folklorico](image)

“The performance features simple but colourful costumes, musical clown, Italian mask, clown juggling, balancing, German tuned cow bells, lots of positive audience participation and a spectacular International unicycle folk dance finale.”

“Great show! Fantastic combination of languages, culture & circus tricks.”

— Debra Montessori School, SA

“Fantastic – wonderfully engaging presentation with a number of ‘WOW! moments!’”

— Le Page PS, Cheltenham, VIC

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**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

12A Zoe H. For making good progress in listening to others.
12C Ebony P. For doing her best in everything she does.
12D Jeremy W. Working hard to complete tasks.
34B Bailey D. Challenging her learning and putting herself in the pit.
34C Xavier O. For continuing to swim even when it’s cold.
34D Max B. For always using lovely manners.
56A Danielle F. Her outstanding improvement with surfing on the grade 5 Camp.
56B Frankie M. An outstanding effort on your Poem.

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**Grade 5 Camp - Wilson’s Prom**

The Grade lives along with Mr. Rankin, Miss Whiteman, Dr Johnson, Roch Fraser and three year 10 helpers from Wonthaggi Secondary College headed off to Wilson’s Promontory last Monday morning. We had four days of beautiful weather and fantastic surf conditions. We spent approximately ten hours in the water; boogie boarding, surfing and body surfing and all of the students improved immensely over the four days. We had a lot of fun and some of the highlights were the stunning scenery on the walk to Squeaky Beach, the delicious camp food, the crystal clear water, the talent show and the outdoor cinema.

Roz Whiteman
Grade 5/6 Teacher

**SPORTS NEWS**

**Division Swimming**

Last Friday 5 WPS students represented the South Coast District at the Korumbura 50m Pool. Congratulations to all who took part and a big well done to Alicia S, Jas A and Zac M who placed 1st and 2nd in each of their individual events.

Also congratulations to Alicia, Jas, Tess B and Georgie M on their 2nd placing in the 12/13 girls 50m freestyle relay. Our fabulous 5 will now venture to Sale to take on the best swimmers in Gippsland. Congratulations and good luck!

**Wetsuits and flippers**

Our school greatly appreciates any wetsuit and flipper donations that can assist the students in our Water Safety Program. If you have any wetsuits or flippers at home that are no longer of use, please consider donating them to our school.

**Water Safety Days**

Over the past 2 weeks students in Grades 2 – 6 undertook beach awareness days as part of our Water Safety Program (Prep – Grade 1 students also took part in land based activities but not in the water).

This program promotes water confidence and enhances the students swimming skills and is vital considering our proximity to the beach.

Grade Prep – Grade 2 had their day at the beach on Thursday 25th February at Inverloch Jetty and took part in snorkelling and survival swimming in the fast moving currents. The students remained calm in all activities ensuring an enjoyable and worthwhile day was had by all.

Grade 3/4 went to Cape Paterson on Friday 26th February with cooler, windier weather conditions challenging the students in the water. What was especially pleasing was the students resilience and perseverance in such windy and cool conditions.

Grade 5/6 went to Inverloch Surf Beach on Tuesday 8th March. The warm weather, full tide and large swell was a perfect learning environment for our students who took part in surfing and also safe swimming practices between the beach flags. Most students returned to the water in the afternoon to gain more experience from the water.

A big thank you to the Wonthaggi Life Saving Club, Wonthaggi Secondary College and to our fantastic parents for their help. Without this assistance we could not offer our students such an important program.

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