Message from the Principal’s Desk

Monday 6th – Curriculum Day – no students attending school today
Monday 13th – Queens Birthday Holiday
Sunday 19th June – Working Bee @ Wantirna Primary
Tuesday 21st – Term 2 Learning Expo
Friday 24th June – Semester 1 school reports sent home
Friday 24th June – Last day of term 2 – 2:45 pm dismissal

July
Monday 11th July – First day of term 3 – first bell at 8:55am
Monday 25th July to Wednesday 27th July – Senior Camp to Forest Edge

Library Grand Opening - Thank you to Colin Fletcher from the Bendigo Bank for his attendance at our Library Grand Opening last Friday. Photos of the event and of the Library Captain, Poppy, Ryan and Wendy our School Captains as well as the members of the Junior School Council, enjoying the library furniture are on display in the foyer. It was lovely to have Julie Thompson in attendance as well, as our Library Technician she ensures that our new space is kept beautifully for all the school to enjoy.

ANZAC Day Ceremony - We commemorated ANZAC Day at our Assembly on 22nd of April. A very moving ceremony was organised by Mrs Elliott, Wendy and Ryan with support from Elijah, Maddy and Elisha. Thank you to parents who sent along floral tributes and to Jenine for organising a beautiful wreath. Wendy and Ryan laid the wreath at the Bayswater RSL along with some of the flowers sent by families

Open Day - Wantirna Primary School is celebrating Education Week this year on Tuesday May 17th. We have scheduled school tours for new families between 12.00 and 1.00 pm. Classrooms will be open for parents between 2.30 – 3.30 pm in order to see our students in action’. At 6.00 pm, we have invited Ms Leanne Wilson, who has a wealth of knowledge and experience in the teaching of Numeracy to speak to our families. From 6.45 pm until 7.30, students and parents are invited to participate in a Family Maths Night in the classrooms.

House Cross Country - The Wantirna Primary School Cross Country is scheduled for Thursday May 5th between 11.45 and 1.15 pm. A note will be coming home with more information. I know Ms Creed would appreciate assistance with the smooth operation of the morning, if you are available. Otherwise please come and support our students on the day if you are able.

Mother’s Day Stall/Raffle - Information has been sent home with regards to the upcoming events for Mother’s Day. Our stall will be held on Thursday 5th of May prior to the Cross Country. PFN have also requested donations for the Mother’s Day Raffle, all items are much appreciated.

Curriculum Day/Reporting Day - Our next Curriculum Day will be held on Monday 6th June. On this day, staff will be preparing units of work for Term 3 as well as preparing the mid-year reports which will be distributed at the end of Term 2.
Annual Report - At School Council on Tuesday night, the Annual Report for 2015 was submitted for endorsement. If parents wish to find out more information about our forward plans for the school as a result of our School Review in 2015, please make a time to call or come and see me and I would be pleased to discuss these with you. Copies of these documents will be uploaded to our website in due course.

Curriculum – Spelling at Wantirna Primary School -Parents may have seen a change in the home learning/home studies program for 2016. One aspect of this has been a result of a diagnostic assessment in Spelling. Students have participated in the SWST (Single Word Spelling Test) which allows teachers to determine focus areas for Spelling. Students can then choose words with specific phonemic patterns to practice at home. This is supported at school with an approach called THRASS. This is an acronym for ‘Teaching Handwriting, Reading and Spelling Skills’. At Wantirna we are concentrating on using the Spelling component of this approach. In summary this is a phonetics teaching tool which supports the spelling of words in the English language. Students are shown that English words are produced using a combination of 44 individual speech sounds called ‘phonemes’. These phonemes can be represented in writing the 26 letters of the English alphabet, either individually or combined with other letters. Students explore how there can be numerous spelling choices (graphemes) for each phoneme.

Working Bee -The date for our Term 2 Working Bee is Sunday 19th of June, in anticipation of our school being a polling centre for the potential Federal Election on Saturday 2nd of July.

Sue Fergus
Principal

Sustainability

Garden Time

One of the fun things we do with Ms Ross is that we go into the garden. We look after the vegetables. We water the plants to help them grow. We talk about what makes them grow and how they help us with food like tomatoes and carrots.

Working in the garden has helped me learn lots about the environment and I talk to my mummy and daddy about the stuff I learn.

I love it when it’s outside time in the garden because I want to make the garden pretty and to help the planet and school.

Darcy C (as told to Mr P)

Waste Audit Team

These students assisted conduct the Waste Audit for our school.

They went around the school and measured all the different types of waste from classrooms, staffrooms, library and OSHC.

They couldn’t believe how much there was and understand better that recycling and reusing is better for both the school and environment.

“By doing the audit I know that recycling is important.” – Ashley S (Year 2)

“I liked cleaning because it makes the school look nice with no rubbish. Let’s recycle more.” – Soomin (Year 2)

Uniform News

Get ready for Winter

Wantirna Primary School approved a Lined winter rain jacket to enhance our uniform collection last year. If you are interested in purchasing a jacket an order form was sent home last week. They will be available from the uniform shop as part of the Uniform Shop stock. $40.00 available in sizes 4 – 16.

Winter uniform now needs to be worn as of Monday 2nd May, please no summer dresses. The Winter Tunic has been ordered and will be available in the smaller sizes 4-8 in a couple of weeks.

Hats do not need to be worn from Monday May 2nd.
## Stars of the Week

### Foundation B
- Sam G – For his amazing writing progress.
- Lili B – For her amazing progress in her speaking and reading.

### Grade 1/2G
- Kyle C – For excellent engagement in class.
- Meryem P – For her best effort in her maths work.
- Alysia L – For a consistent effort in all her writing tasks.
- Tejash P – For being a helpful classmate and caring friend.
- Ares L – For sharing exceptional work in the authors chair.

### Grade 1/2R
- Charlie W – For giving 100% effort in his holiday recount.
- Lydia Lim – For engaging in all areas of her learning.
- Darcy C – For being a work wizard in THRASS sessions.
- Sarah G – For being a conscientious learner in all areas.
- Ashley SL – For taking pride in her work and presenting each piece beautifully.
- Tonia B – For being a caring and compassionate class member.

### Grade 3/4E
- Rithik K – For his excellent spelling.
- Josephine B – For her excellent dreamtime story.

### Grade 4/5F
- Emily S – For her enthusiasm and initiative in organising equipment for our netball team.
- William M – For his great story about “Discovery” this week.
- Aisling A – For her amazing stories she writes in her free time.
- Tahlia W – For her consistently generous spirit.
- Cohen D – For being diligent in Spanish.
- Luke G – For challenging himself in Maths

### Grade 5/6P
- Lachlan B – For reading holiday.
- Poppy J – For her reading.

## 2016 School Term Dates

### Term 2
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June

### Term 3
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September

### Term 4
- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

## 2016 Forest Edge Senior Camp Payment Schedule

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To confirm your child will be attending camp, the non-refundable deposit of $50 is required by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. We require a minimum of 45 students for Camp. Please let the office know in writing by Friday 22 April if your child isn’t going on camp. Unfortunately camp will have to be cancelled if we don’t have enough campers.
Footy Tipping –
- After 5 rounds the leaders are
  - Gail - on 35 points,
  - Heath, Sam, Sarah – on 31 points
  - Greg, Isobel, Justin, Mr P – on 30 points
- The tally sheet can be viewed in the school office area.

Mother’s Day Raffle Donations
We are seeking donations for our hampers for the Mother’s Day Raffle. The donations can be handed in to the school office.

Mother’s Day Raffle
Raffle tickets were sent home this week. 15 tickets, $1 each or 3 for $2. Please return all money and ticket stubs, including unsold tickets back to school no later than Wednesday 4th May. Good Luck!

Mother’s Day Stall
Our annual Mother’s Day stall will be on Thursday 5th May. Gifts are available from $1 to $5
If you are able to help or for an hour from 9am on the Mother’s Day stall on the 5th May please see Sam Loten or contact the school office.

Entertainment Book
The 2016/17 Entertainment Book is available from the school office.

Baker’s Delight Special Treat Day – Tuesday 10th May.
All orders and money must be returned to school by Friday 6th May
What a great start to the Challenge with 147 books already read. Madeleine G in 3/4E has already completed the Premiers’ reading challenge. Keep on reading Maddy! There are still a number of students that registered but haven’t started reading there is still time with the challenge ending on 9th September 2016.

What’s been happening at Wantirna?

Nick Wakeling reading with our students during the Library opening. Our very colourful new Library furniture was purchased with a grant we received from the Bendigo Bank at the Wantirna Mall.
ANZAC Day Ceremony

On Friday 22nd April a beautiful service was held to commemorate ANZAC day. The students were very respectful for the whole ceremony with each class contributing. A wreath was laid with students bringing flowers from home. School Captains Wendy & Ryan represented WPS by laying the wreath at the Bayswater RSL.

Senior Sport
WPS v Carrington
T-Ball
$160,000
$150,000
$140,000
$130,000
$120,000
$110,000
$100,000
$90,000
$80,000

Oz Child Wishing Tree Gift Appeal.

Since it began 185 years ago, OzChild has helped over 1,000,000 children and young people. They work with 9,000 children, young people and their families every year, making sure that every night more than 300 children have a safe roof over their heads.

A lot of the children and young people OzChild provide services to are doing it tough. They've come into OzChild's care as a result of a Child Protection Order after exposure to abuse, chronic neglect, family violence, substance misuse and more.

OzChild's Christmas Wishing Tree Gift Appeal helps connect caring organisations, clubs, businesses and individuals with those at risk and vulnerable children. Tags provided to community-focused organisations like Wantirna Community Bank® Branch describe a child's age and Christmas wishes then participants return an appropriate gift for that child to the branch.

On Tuesday 15 December OzChild CEO, Lisa Sturzenegger, visited the Wantirna Community Bank® Branch to receive the 130 plus gifts that were collected for OzChild's vulnerable children and young people. Everything from dolls, to craft kits to soccer balls and giant Tonka trucks!

Board member Colin Fletcher, Regional Manager (Melbourne Outer Eastern Region) Mark Nolan, Branch Manager Paul Jeram and Chairman Merv Ericson all took time out of their day to share stories of how rewarding it had been buying the presents for kids who, to put it simply, just deserve a bit of normal in their lives.

The gifts collected by various generous staff, colleagues, local businesses and customers from Wantirna Community Bank® Branch joined others collected by schools, clubs, businesses and individuals and brought smiles to the faces of over 600 children and young people OzChild are working with and caring for at Christmas.

There's always a lot of work for OzChild, protecting kids, healing trauma and rebuilding families. There is a lot still to do, today, tomorrow and every day after that. But one thing is for sure, the kids had a brighter Christmas thanks to you.

The entire project has made this year a very special year for all of us involved, and we are certainly planning to continue to support the OzChild Wishing Tree Appeal in the future.

So far we have contributed $159,460 to the community.

Wantirna Community Financial Services Limited Shop 56 Wantirna Mall, 348 Mountain Highway, Wantirna VIC 3152 ABN 43 116 000 230
Directors: Merv Ericson (Chairman), Peter Sheehy (Treasurer), Margarita Amoretti (Secretary), Gary Hunter, Vivian Prasad, Colin Fletcher and Vivian Gonsalves.

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**LEASING REFERRALS**

Refer a person to PhilipWebb and if we **LIST & LEASE** their property or they transfer management of their property to PhilipWebb, we’ll say thanks with **$300** of vouchers given to your school.

We are also happy to assist with Free Community event boards, Free use of our PW Marquee’s and donate a prize/ gift to be used for fundraising for the club.

For more information please contact Andrew Gardner 0417 993 954

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What's new in Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)?

Our staff operate a stimulating and enjoyable Out of School Hours Care Program.

**Fees:**
- Before School Care $22.00 – 7:00am – 8:45am
- After School Care $17.00 – 3:30pm – 6:00pm

All fees are invoiced and sent out fortnightly and are to be paid within 7 days.

To make a booking or any general enquiries about OSHC – Phone 0405 736 870

Coordinator – Premila Stone

All families must be enrolled to attend the program.

Please make sure you are signing your children in and out. It is a legal requirement that this is done by the parent or authorised person picking or dropping them off.

All the children that go to OSHC experience a fun & safe environment
CLASsroom CuisINE 2016

Classroom Cuisine our Lunch order service is available on a Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Starting from Monday 2\textsuperscript{nd} February

We are very excited to announce that we will still be offering Lunch orders through the company Classroom Cuisine in 2016. They are a healthy food company.

They will deliver your placed order to the school by lunchtime.

You can either choose a TWO or THREE COURSE MEAL from 23 options within each course.

TO REGISTER AND ORDER ONLINE JUST VISIT

www.classroomcuisine.com.au

Even though you can order up until 8:30 am on the site we encourage you not to be in a "last minute panic" - especially on the first day! Cut off is 8:30 am on the day of lunch orders. \textit{NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE TAKEN}. Order anytime! On the back of this notice is a menu sheet.

Orders will only be accepted online -we cannot phone/email/fax orders through the school office.