

# NEWSLETTER

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THURSDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2013

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MONDAY	29 <sup>TH</sup> JULY	SCHOOL COUNCIL LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK
TUESDAY	30 <sup>TH</sup> JULY	ICAS ENGLISH
FRIDAY	2 <sup>ND</sup> AUGUST	CURRICULUM DAY- STUDENT FREE DAY
TUESDAY	13 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	ICAS MATHEMATICS
THURSDAY	15 <sup>TH</sup> & 16 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	MOBILE FARM – KINDERGARTEN FOUR AND THREE YEAR OLD GROUPS
TUESDAY	20 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	GRANDPARENTS VISIT KINDERGARTEN
FRIDAY	23 <sup>RD</sup> AUGUST	SUMMER SPORT – LEVEL FOUR BOOK WEEK – LEIGH HOBBS VISITS
MONDAY	26 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	ROTARY PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION
WEDNESDAY	28 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	FATHERS DAY EVENING – FOUR-YEAR OLDS SCHOOL COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS
FRIDAY	30 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	SUMMER SPORT – LEVEL FOUR
SATURDAY	31 <sup>ST</sup> AUGUST	MORNING TEA – SPECIAL PERSONS – THREE- YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN
MONDAY	2 <sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER	SCHOOL COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY	4 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	DRESS REHEARSAL – ALL DAY
TUESDAY	10 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	SCHOOL PRODUCTION
THURSDAY	12 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	SCHOOL PRODUCTION FIRE BRIGADE VISIT - PREPS
FRIDAY	13 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	SUMMER SPORT – LEVEL FOUR
FRIDAY	20 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	END OF TERM THREE – 2.30PM DISMISSAL
MONDAY	7 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER	TERM FOUR COMMENCES
FRIDAY	11 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER	SUMMER SPORT
MONDAY TO WEDNESDAY	21 <sup>ST</sup> TO 23 <sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER	LEVEL THREE CAMP

FROM THE PRINCIPAL ... Esther Wood

**'TERRIFIC KIDS' AWARD**

At last Friday's assembly, the Kiwanis Club representative, Mr Brian Mates, presented the "Terrific Kids" awards to four most deserving students.

- Level One: - **Gabe Dadhouh**
- Level Two - **Harrison Lefebure**
- Level Three - **Rachael Rose**
- Level Four - **Martha Saif**

This award recognises the characteristics of a highly valued student - commitment, respect, honesty, support, kindness and consideration of others to name a few.

**CONGRATULATIONS!**



## CLASSROOM AWARDS

**Prep M- Jasmine Richards** - for her enthusiastic attitude towards everything she does! You are a pleasure to have in our class!!

**Prep W- Levi Alyward-Foy** – for big efforts listening to instructions this week, and reaching ‘Hooray’ on our behaviour chart!

**Grade 1/2A- Aryan Joshi** – for trying his best to concentrate and complete all work. Well done!

**Grade 1/2E- Dimitra Drakopoulos** – for extending herself in mathematics and attempting complicated problem. Awesome job!

**Grade 1/2T- Liam Hewson** - for working so diligently to complete his diary writing. Keep up the great work Liam!

**Grade 1/2WM- Tanickha Kondos** – for a fantastic drawing and labelling correctly her ‘Minibeast’ ‘The Wasp’. Fantastic work!

**Grade 3/4A- Ryan Patching** – for completing all classwork to an excellent standard. Sensational!

**Grade 3/4G- Kai Snow** – for continuing to work hard with his handwriting. Keep it up!

**Grade 3/4J- Samantha Emmoglou** – for writing an entertaining sizzling start to a narrative about triplets. Fantastic!

**Grade 3/4P- Danny Wei** – for his insightful contribution to a class discussion on Dreamtime. Fantastic!

**Grade 5/6A- Tahlia MacPhie** – for her willingness to contribute her thoughts and ideas while discussing the schools use of energy. You’re a superstar!

**Grade 5/6L- Thao Do** – for actively participating in class discussions. Well done!!

**Grade 5/6M- Bailey Dobson** – for his excellent work on his ‘Probability with Professor Dobson’. Superb detail when interpreting your graphs. Well done!

**Grade 5/6H- Joshua Cron** – for taking part in class discussions and being an active member of 5/6H.

**Homecrafts – Kai Snow 3/4G** – for showing a mature attitude and managing his feelings in Homecraft classes and for being a helpful group member.



## CLASSROOM SOLUTIONS

As from this week “Classroom Solutions will be available on the website.

We hope you still enjoy trying to solve the current affairs quiz.

## CURRICULUM DAY PLANNED

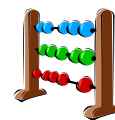
Please put in your diary.

Our third Curriculum Day for 2013 will be held on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August. This early notice should assist parents in arranging care for their child/children if required.



## URGENT/ STUDENT SAFETY MATTER

Road safety around schools is critical for the safety of the students. It has been brought to our attention there are a number of people doing illegal U-Turns on Hawthorn Road. There are roundabouts in either direction to use if you need to turn, please use these and keep our school zone safe. Police and Council by-laws officers patrol the area regularly.



## LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK

National Literacy and Numeracy Week is being held from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July to Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2013.

The week aims to recognise the achievements of students and the work of teachers, parents and members of the community, who support young people to develop strong literacy and numeracy skills.

## PREP 2014 ENROLMENTS AND STUDENT NUMBERS

It is that time of year when schools are preparing for the following year and student numbers are critical to the school's staffing structure.

If you are aware of any families who may live near you and have not enrolled, would you please advise them of this timeline.

If your child will not be attending Burwood Heights Primary School next year would you please advise us of this?

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



## PROMOTING A GENEROUS SPIRIT IN CHILDREN

There are many qualities to promote in children – independence and competence are high on most parents' lists. But the spirit of generosity is a personal quality that is often overlooked. Those children who are able to share their time, space and possessions generally have more friends and experience more success than those who are self-centred and mean-spirited.

Generosity is something we can practise every day. It happens with the little things – when we give a smile or when we stop what we are doing and listen to others.

It is amazing how much we get back so much more than we give when we are generous with our time, space and even money.

With families shrinking in size and the current high level of parental concern to give children a good start, it is sometimes difficult to promote the sense of giving in children and young people.

And of course, young children are generally egocentric and some young people by nature are less giving than others. But part of a parent's job is to remind children that the world doesn't revolve around them.

Like most facets of child-rearing developing a community ethos can be a very frustrating task but perseverance and modelling are a parent's greatest allies when it comes to the things that really matter.



## EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE SEMESTER TWO

Parents/Guardians holding Pension Concession Cards are entitled to a rebate from the government to assist with education costs. If you hold a Pension or Concession Card and you **DID NOT** submit a claim in Semester One, **YOU MUST APPLY FOR SEMESTER TWO.**

**New students:** Even if you submitted a claim at another school for Semester One, you **MUST APPLY FOR SEMESTER TWO** at Burwood Heights Primary School. Application forms are available from the Administration Office.

**The closing date is 5<sup>th</sup> August 2013.**

**The government will not accept late claims.**

## FROM THE OFFICE.....

### STUDENTS ABSENCE

If your child is unwell and away from school please ensure you send along a note when they return explaining their absence.

If you are going on holiday, when possible please send a note to school before you leave. It is a requirement from the Education Department that we have these explanations of student's absence from parents.



### KEEPING YOUR DETAILS UP TO DATE

Remember if you have any change in circumstance it is important you update your information at school.



## KINDERGARTEN BUILDING EXTENSION

It is exciting to see the huts being erected for the commencement of the Kinder extension. The fence surrounding the building works will be up by Friday and this means that the area is out of bounds to all students.



## IMPORTANT BOOK CLUB INFORMATION!!



**TOMORROW**

Please note the following information so that we can ensure the accurate ordering and prompt delivery of Book Club items to the students.

- Orders are due back by **Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> July.**  
**Please note: Late orders will not be accepted as orders will be placed on Friday afternoon.**
- Please make sure that all details on the order form are filled in **legibly, including name, grade, number of items and totals.**
- Cheques should be made out to Scholastic Australia NOT Burwood Heights PS
- **For Credit card** payments, please follow the instructions on the order form and record your receipt number, NOT your credit card number on the order form. You may make a single credit card payment for the combined total of several different clubs, if you wish.
- Check that you are using the current Book Club brochure as we are unable to order from previous brochures – The current Book Club is **Issue 5 – 2013.**
- Please return the order forms **in an envelope with your child's name, grade and money amount written clearly on the front.** I will collect the orders daily from each grade or office.
- **EXACT** money if paying cash, please!!

Many thanks to everyone for their enthusiastic support of Book Club.

Mrs. Bakopanos (Librarian)

## **WEBSITE NEWS**

Remember to check the website for news photos and updates, especially the “What’s on” section on the home page.

[www.burwoodhps.vic.edu.au](http://www.burwoodhps.vic.edu.au)



## **MOCK PARLIMENT**

Last Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> of July, ten students (Atticus, Erin, Lily, Daniel, Jack, Keith, Holly, Lachlan, Martha and Nilo) walked down to Orchard Grove Primary School to participate in a mock parliament. There were nearly 200 students from various schools in one room. Jack was lucky enough to have the role of the Government Whip who counts the votes of the government. We were trying to pass a bill, “No Homework”. Anna Burke MP, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Member of Chisholm, was there and she taught us how a real parliament runs. Surprisingly parliament is an extremely loud place where you’re not even allowed to clap. Unfortunately the opposition won and chose homework to be kept.

Atticus, Jack and Daniel



## KITCHEN NOTES



Term Three has started with the children enjoying some hearty winter cooking and wearing our new bandannas 😊 From now on, all the children will be wearing a bandanna around their heads, regardless of the length of their hair, as a further food hygiene measure. Along with careful hand washing and wearing clean aprons, the bandannas are another safeguard against the spreading of germs and bugs which are particularly prevalent at this time of the year. This term, Level Three will be learning to roll and cut pasta, and Level Four will be cooking different types of doughs and breads. Lots of carbohydrates to ward off the cold!

This week's recipe was a popular vegetarian dish which was simple to prepare and can be adapted to include other vegetables.

### Parsnip and gruyere crumble

#### **Ingredients:**

- 80g butter
- 1 kg parsnips, peeled, halved and coarsely chopped
- 400g desiree potatoes, peeled and coarsely chopped
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) milk
- 80 ml (1/3 cup) water
- Sea salt flakes

- 150 g Italian style bread, crusts removed, cut into 1 cm pieces
- 125 g gruyere, coarsely grated
- 2 ½ tbs chopped fresh continental parsley

#### Method

1. Melt half the butter in a saucepan over medium heat, until foaming. Add the parsnip and potato. Cover and cook, stirring occasionally for 5-6 minutes or until the vegetables start to soften.
2. Add the milk and water. Bring to a simmer. Cook, covered, for 20 minutes or until vegetables are very soft and the liquid is absorbed. Mash until smooth. Season with salt and pepper.
3. Spoon the parsnip mixture into an 18cm x 30cm (base measurement) baking dish.
4. Preheat the oven to 180°C. Melt the remaining butter in a small saucepan over medium heat. Remove from the heat. Place bread in a heatproof bowl. Add the butter and toss to combine. Stir in the gruyere and parsley.
5. Top the parsnip mixture with the bread mixture. Bake for 35 minutes or until the bread is golden and the gruyere melts.



# OSHClub News

## After School Care Program



### Program Update 25.07. 2013

Hi Everyone!

I hope that everyone has been having a great week! We've been having a super busy week at OSHClub with Active After School starting earlier than planned. Like last term, we have two days dedicated to AASC. On a Tuesday, the AASC coach runs a Hurricane program which is a non-contact version of Taekwondo, the kids will learn about different elements of the sport but without any sort of combat or contact between other students. On a Wednesday, the AASC coach runs a rugby session which looks at learning the needed skills to play rugby. I've been really excited about these sessions and I hope that everyone enjoys them and learns something new.

On a bit of a serious note, we've been having a few issues when it comes to children bringing in their toys from home and in particular Pokemon cards. It is starting to get difficult to figure out who owns what when people are playing with the cards together and although it's fantastic that you've all found something in common to talk about and play, big arguments tend to break out when the cards might get mixed up. So far all the staff have managed to diffuse the arguments and sort out the cards, but it's hard when all the cards look the same and that there is no way to really know who owns what. I know that putting your name on the cards is really not ok, but you can buy individual plastic sleeves at card stores that you can mark without damaging the card. Another option is that if some of the cards are super special to you, keep them safe in your bag and don't take them out when playing at OSH. I really don't want it to get to a point where we have to say, 'please don't bring your cards' but if people keep arguing about them then we may have to. I hope you all understand.

Have a great week!

OSHC TEAM

### Next Week's Activities

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>ACTIVITIES</b>	Trivia	AASC – Hurricane	AASC - Rugby	Group Signals (game)	Bouncy Balls (Science)
<b>ACTIVITIES</b>	Skate Board Cookies	Cardboard Lollipops	Heart Mobile	Apricot Fudge	Plaster painting

### Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0423 225 807

Coordinator: LINDSAY

Assistants: LAURA, ANTHONY, BELINDA, ANNA, BETH, POOJA, ALEX, MIKAELA, RACHELLE

OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

*All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.*