**DIARY DATES**

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

- **Wed 24 Jun**: Last Newsletter for Term 2. Parent Teacher Meetings 2.30pm - 7.00pm. Whole School Assembly 2.55pm.
- **Thur 25 Jun**: Curriculum Day - Student Free Day.
- **Fri 26 Jun**: CSEF Applications close today - see attached form. Yr 6 Interschool Sport. *Last Day Term 2, 2.30pm dismissal*.
- **Mon 13 July**: Term 3 commences at 9am. No Online Canteen Orders today. Whole School Assembly 2.55pm.
- **Thurs 16 July**: Canteen reopens today for Term 3.
- **Mon 20 July**: Senior School Assembly 2.55pm.
- **Thurs 23 July**: Yr 4 Excursion to Polly Woodside/Captain Cooks Cottage 9am. Prep 2016 - Be A Prep 3pm - 4pm.
- **Friday 24 July**: Yrs 3 - 6 Athletics Carnival 9am - 3pm at Ballam Park. Entries Close for ICAS Maths.

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

**STAFFING NEWS**

Kristin Dyer, Lindy Cross and Steph Bensted will be taking Long Service Leave for Term Three.

Kristin and Lindy will be absent for the entire term. Michelle Craig will be taking responsibility for Year 6D and Phyllis Fernandez will be taking responsibility for Year 3C.

Steph Bensted will be taking Leave for the first three weeks of Term Three. Rene Buckett will be taking responsibility for Year 2D.

**UP: PRINCIPAL PREPARATION PROGRAM**

PLPS has been chosen by the Department of Education to host Karen Walker, Assistant Principal of Mt Martha PS, for the first 4 weeks of Term Three as part of the UP program [Principal Preparation Program].

The UP program prepares aspiring principals to manage the complexity, expectations and increasing accountabilities of the principal role. It also promotes aspiring principals to reflect on their practice, pursue their vision, gain perspective and seek feedback about their performance in preparation for embarking on principalship.

The school has previously hosted two previous Assistant Principals, Kaitlyn Haitus and Janet Evison. Kaitlyn is currently principal of Balwyn North PS and Janet is principal of Heany Park PS.

Many thanks to the large number of Year 2 and 3 parents who have responded to the school’s survey.

**CLASS CAPTAINS AND WASTE WARRIORS**

Congratulations to all Class Captains and Waste Warriors for Semester One. The school is very proud of you and the way you have undertaken your classroom role and responsibilities.

**YEAR 7 SCHOOL PLACEMENTS**

Year 6 parents will be notified of their child’s placement for a government secondary college in early Term Three.
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

Thank you to the large number of parents who have supported their child’s education by booking times to attend tonight’s Parent Teacher Meetings. Approximately 75% of our families have booked times to meet with teachers. The following rooms will be used for the meetings today:

Prep – Rooms 1 & 2
Year 1 – Rooms 5 & 6
Year 2 & 1/2Z – Rooms 3 & 4
Year 3 – Room 11, Year 4 & 3/4Z – Room 10
Year 5 – Rooms 7 & 8
Year 6 – Room 9.

If you are unable to attend a meeting with your child’s teacher, please contact the school to organise another mutually convenient time.

PATTO'S GARDEN PATCH

PLPS are looking for donations of wood or fence palings that we can use to create signs for the plants in Patto's Patch. Donations can be taken straight to the garden area, next to Room 18 which is near the Coles entrance.

BAN ON FOOTY CARDS

In order to stop disputes over unfair trading of footy cards and instances of children misplacing or losing them, we have decided to place a ban on students bringing footy cards to school.

We ask for your co-operation in this matter.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to the following students who are celebrating their birthday during the next week and over the school holidays. We hope you have a lovely day.

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HEAD LICE

HEAD LICE - LET’S FIGHT THEM TOGETHER …..

If you find lice, do not worry or be embarrassed. Head lice are a normal part of childhood - nearly 1 in 10 primary school children could have head lice at any one time.

Most of us know what a hassle it is to treat head lice and just how frustrating it can be when your child comes home scratching their head yet again.

But parents can fight the spread of head lice by working together:

Check your family’s hair for lice regularly - once a week is ideal!

STUDENT ALLERGIES

A timely reminder to all parents and carers that we have numerous students at this school with life threatening allergies to certain foods. Letters are sent home informing parents of students who have a child in their class suffering with a life threatening allergy, outlining what the allergies are.

One of the main concerns in our school is allergies to nuts and this year we have many students with life threatening allergies to various nuts, especially hazelnuts and peanuts.

Given that one of the main ingredients in Nutella is hazelnuts and in Peanut Butter is peanuts, I ask parents/carers to be very mindful of this when packing your children’s lunch and to avoid sending peanut based foods to school. We also ask that you educate your child(ren) with regard to not swapping food with other children at school, encouraging safe habits.

Regards,
Rachael Grady - First Aid Officer

MUNCH MONITOR ONLINE LUNCH ORDERS

Lunch Orders are available online on Monday, Thursday and Friday.

How do I set up an account to order online:

Go to: www.munchmonitor.com
Click LOGIN then REGISTER
Enter School Id: plps and Password: munch3197

Then follow the 4 easy steps to create your account:

STEP 1: Create a Parent Profile by entering information about yourself.
STEP 2: Add your Students to your account.
STEP 3: Transfer money to your account by clicking the Account Top-up button
STEP 4: Click MY ORDERS and you’re ready to Order lunches!

Orders can be cancelled on the day as late as 8.30am and should you have any concerns with your lunch order, please call Bellbrook Catering direct on 9796 5888.

CANTEEN NEWS

MONDAY’S ONLY
SAUSAGE ROLL AND DRINK SPECIAL
ONLY $4.00

ALSO
TRY OUR NEW MONDAY ONLY SPECIAL
A NEW STREETS OLAf ICE CREAM
PLUS A FRIED RICE ONLY $5.00

BELLBROOK CATERING PRICE INCREASE

Due to the ongoing price increases from our manufacturers we have been left with no option but to increase the price of a few items on our menu. New price lists will be distributed to families early next term.

These items being:

HOT NOODLES NOW $3.00
FROZEN 100% JUICE TUBE NOW $1.20
FROZEN SKIM MILK TUBE NOW $1.50

THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING
BELLBROOK CATERING
Such a wonderful display of laughter and happiness watching our Prep and Year 1 students enjoying their new sand pit area and Junior Basketball courts. One of the many joys here at PLPS - watching our younger children enjoying such simple pleasures. The school is currently exploring putting 1, possibly 2 netball rings in the Junior Basketball area as well.
2015 Athletics Carnival (Yrs 3-6)

At Ballam Park

Friday 24th July

Parent Helpers Required!

Please contact conway.michelle.l@edumail.vic.gov.au

RUNNERS CLUB BREAKFAST!

We will be inviting students to attend a Warm Healthy Breakfast on Thursday 10th September. Students eligible for an invitation will have completed the following amount of laps at Runners Club:

- Preps - Yr 2’s – 50 LAPS Completed
- Yr 3’s - Yr 6’s – 100 LAPS Completed

SO GET RUNNING!!!

Runners Club is held every Thursday morning from 8.10am on the school oval.

New runners and families always welcome!
The Key

Once upon a time this magical story started at a glorious castle near the deep dark woods. I saw a beautiful magical flying key. I was about to pick it up but then it flew higher and went around my neck. The key made me do things that are naughty. I barged into the castle with the key around my neck. Suddenly a mean robber came in to steal the princess’s things. Then he saw me and he forgot about the princess.

He said in his head “I shall steal your key.” He stole my key from around my neck, left without a noise and closed the door quietly. I was stuck in the castle. Suddenly the princess came down the steps. She had lots of keys around her neck. One of the keys looked like the one the robber stole. I asked the princess if she could let me out. She said “Yes”. So she opened the door and I was free.

The Boy who got Reunited.

I was begging for money with my older brother at the train station. He said, “Wait here.” I waited there for the whole day, he never came back so I hopped on a train and fell asleep.

I stopped at several stations. When I woke up I got off the train. I was standing in front of a bench. I sat down. The cold breeze was sweeping across my face. A man saw me and he took me to the police station and I tried running away but they surrounded me.

They took me to a Kids Care Centre. Over the years, I had looked up Google maps for a particular water tank that I remembered was near my old house. It was a big red tank with white words saying water resource. I was getting older and older each year.

Finally, I found the water tank but I couldn’t get to it. One of the helpers said to me, “I think I know who one of your parents are.” There were two possible options as to who they may be. The man showed me some photos. The first one was not my mum but the next one he showed me was my mum.

She took me to her house where I used to live with her as a small boy. Across the road was the water tank. I had tears streaming down my face. She explained to me what had happened to my brother and then we had the funeral.

The helper gave us some money so we could go to school and learn.
Our artistic Year 6 students created three dimensional dry felted teddies. They stepped up to the challenge of felting the teddies’ body parts rounded and solid. Then they created individual teddy characters from their incredible imagination. Congratulations to Grace P (6A), Eve C (6A), Jaxon P (6A), Mackie E (6A), Zoe G (6A), Celina G (6A), Marley B (6B), Andy S (6C), Molly M (6D), Molly SB (6D), Tiahna M (6D), Star H (6D) and Xavier B (6D) for having received the 'Talented Artist’ award for this work of art. Super work!
Our Year 3 artists created characteristic Hessian Teddies. The teddies were sewn together with excellent running stitch and fantastically embellished with felt pieces, buttons and jewels.

Congratulations to
Mimi V (3A), Ayesha A (3A), Zac B (3B), Reid M (3C), Kate E (3C) and Camdyn M (3D)
for having received the ‘Talented Artist’ award for this work of art. Awesome work!
The talented Year 1s meticulously printed Hessian Bears and wonderfully embellished their teddies with felt, jewels, buttons and beads to give character. Congratulations to Elysia A (1D), Harry W (1D) and Ciera D (1B) for having received the ‘Talented Artist’ award for this work of art. Fantastic work!

Our Year 1 artists also worked diligently to model colourful Clay Owls. Congratulations to Eve E (1D), Jayda E (1C) and Ryder P (1C) for having received the ‘Talented artist’ award for this work of art. Excellent work!
Patterson Lakes Primary School

Science Night 2015

School Hall, 5:30 to 7:40pm, Friday 21st August 2015.

FREE ENTRY

**Light Exhibition**

2015 is the International Year of Light. Create an experiment involving light to show at our Science fair. You must prepare your experiment before the evening with the help of an adult. For some ideas, search Pinterest under ‘Light experiments for kids’.

*Every entry gets a prize!* 

**MIRROR MADNESS**

Bring any or all of the following: a hand held mirror (no sharp edges), a small torch, glow sticks, fluoro face paint

Wear: your brightest clothes

Task: A 15 minute dance off to finish the night in style

Note: ‘Mirror Madness’ is open to Light Exhibition entrants, their families and any students of the school who have come to observe the exhibition with their parents.

You must return your permission slip no later than Monday, 17th August.

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**Light Exhibition Entry 2015**

I ___________________________ would like to make an entry into the Light exhibition.

I have the support of my parents, who will help me finish it on time.

Parent Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

(Entries close 17th August 2015)
Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student will be:

- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

How to Apply
Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Closing Date
You should lodge a CSEF application form at the school by 26 June 2015.

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Applications Close 26th June 2015.
FAMILY & FRIENDS

TRIVIA NIGHT

Memorabilia, Music, Raffles, Auctions, Games

Date: Saturday 15th August 2015
Time: 7.00pm for 7.30 start
Location: Patterson Lakes Primary School Hall
Cost: $160 per table (10 per table) if paid before 26th June
Or $200 per table after 26th June
LIMITED TABLES SO GET IN QUICK

Additional information:
A fun night getting together with friends over a few drinks and nibbles and answering some Trivia with a professional trivia host. Please feel free to make a table of friends and family (they don’t have to be parents from the school).

BYO nibbles, drinks and glasses.
Good Luck

For More Information
Please contact Julie Shaw via email shaw.julie.c@edumail.vic.gov.au

Contact Name: ________________________ Child’s Name: ________________________
Table Name: ________________________ Grade: ________________________
Number of Tickets: ______________ Contact Phone No: ________________________

Credit Card Number: ________________________ Exp ______________
Cardholder Name: ________________________ Cardholder Signature: ________________________
Amount: $____________ Contact Phone No: ________________________

Tickets are non-refundable
12 friendship skills every child needs

Friendship skills are generally developmental. That is, kids grow into these skills given exposure to different situations and with adult help.

Kids can be picky about who they play and mix with. Popularity should not be confused with sociability. A number of studies in recent decades have shown that appearance, personality type and ability impact on a child’s popularity at school. Good-looking, easy-going, talented kids usually win peer popularity polls but that doesn’t necessarily guarantee they will have friends.

Those children and young people who develop strong friendships have a definite set of skills that help make them easy to like, easy to relate to and easy to play with.

Here are twelve essential skills that children have identified as being important for making and keeping friends:

1. Ability to share possessions and space
2. Keeping confidences and secrets
3. Offering to help
4. Accepting other’s mistakes
5. Being positive and enthusiastic
6. Starting a conversation
7. Winning and losing well
8. Listening to others
9. Starting and maintaining a conversation
10. Ignoring someone who is annoying you
11. Cooperating with others
12. Giving and receiving compliments

Friendship skills are generally developmental. That is, kids grow into these skills given exposure to different situations and with adult help. In past generations ‘exposure to different situations’ meant opportunities to play with each other, with siblings and with older and younger friends.

They were reminded by parents about how they should act around others. They were also ‘taught’ from a very young age.

Arrested development
The NEW CHILD grows up with fewer siblings, fewer opportunities for unstructured play and less freedom to explore friendships than children of even ten years ago.

A parenting style that promotes a high sense of individual entitlement rather than the notion of fitting in appears to be popular at the moment.

These factors can lead to delayed or arrested development in these essential friendship skills, resulting in very unhappy, self-centred children.

Here are some ideas if you think your child experiences developmental delay in any of these essential skills or just needs some help to acquire them:

1. Encourage or insist that kids play and work with each other: Allowing kids the freedom to be kids is part of the message here but parents have to be cunning with the NEW CHILD and construct situations where kids have to get on with each other. For some kids “Go outside and play” is a good place to start!!

2. Play with your kids: Interact with your kids through games and other means so you can help kids learn directly from you how to get on with others.

3. Talk about these skills: If you notice your kids need to develop some of these skills then talk about them, point out when they show them and give them some implementation ideas.

Kids are quite ego-centric and need to develop a sense of ‘other’ so they can successfully negotiate the many social situations that they find themselves in.

As parents we often focus on the development of children’s academic skills and can quite easily neglect the development of these vital skills, which contribute so much to children’s happiness and well-being.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Casual Reception Position
Local company requires a casual receptionist - switchboard and general office duties, to cover for holidays and sick leave. Flexibility essential, experience an advantage. Send Resume to: applications@dta-aus.com.au

Be A Guide For A Day - June School Holidays
Tuesday 30th June 2015, Carrum Community Guide Hall, Cnr Walkers & Dyson Rd, Carrum. 6 - 12 year old girls. For enquiries call Jan Withers 9772 7775 or 0421 042 296.

School Holiday Basketball Camp
Bonbeach Stadium 3 day camp (June 30th, July 1st & 2nd) and (July 7th, 8th & 9th) 10am - 3pm, $90 for 3 days or $35 per day. Call Peter on 9776 1895 for details or email manager@chelseabasketball.com.au for registration forms.

World of Learning Holiday Program
Monday 29th Jun - Friday 10th July. Daily activities. 29 Woodine Grove, Chelsea. Call 9772 2551 for further details.

Writing Workshops for Children at Frankston Library
Work with bestselling author Michelle Hamer. Term Dates Mon July 20 - Mon September 14 at the Frankston Library. $200 per term. Call Michelle on 0412 580 262 for details.

Seaford Heights Pre-School 40th Birthday Afternoon Tea
27th June 2pm - 4pm, 3 Prince Crescent, Seaford. This is an open invitation. Also celebrating the retirement of Maree Cadd. Please RSVP to Michelle on 0421 240 647 or via email SHP40@hotmail.com by 19th June.

Minions Movie Fundraiser for Prevention of Human Trafficking
Mornington Cinema, 1 Main Street, Mornington. 27th June at 2.25pm. $15 per ticket with $6 from each ticket donated. For more information call Sharon on 0417 344 617.

Kingston Arts School Holiday Fun - Moorabbin
Stripsey - the eggscellent adventures of an emu chick! Mon 29 June at 6pm and Tues 30 June 10am & 1pm. Suitable for 3 - 8 year olds. Tickets $15, contact 9556 4440 for bookings.

Mordialloc Neighbourhood House - Volunteering Your Skills
This course provides you with the introduction to volunteering so that you can use your skills to assist community based organisations. Call 9587 4534 for more details.

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Enquiries - Ali - 0419 873 532

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