Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

Christmas Market Success: What a wonderful evening we had! So many of our own community as well as that of our local community joined us for what was a wonderful event. Thank you to the dedicated committee members who undertook many roles organising this terrific night and to Parents Club for organising our cake stall. While we carried costs from our Fair in March which, as we all remember was quite washed out, we still made a profit of close to $4000. This will support a number of projects going into next year. We intend to continue to run this wonderful event each year. Even though we receive funds for projects from this, the strengthening of our community is the focus. Hopefully the weather will be kind next year both with the sun and a lack of wind, enabling us to have our fireworks.

Whole School First Aid: Thank you to Mr Leyden for organising St John’s ambulance to undertake first aid awareness with all students across the school. While this is set at an age-appropriate level for all classes, it is designed to assist students to recognise an emergency and have some knowledge of how to assist such as knowing 000 to call an ambulance, etc. This service is free and the students have been really engaged with the officers training.

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Thought for the week.
Winning as a team is better than anything.
It’s great to share success.
Jim Harbaugh –American Football–1963

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Remembrance Day: As students are still in the yard at 11.00 am, we plan to hold our minutes silence on Friday at 11.10 am. Following this on Monday at each assembly Remembrance Day will be recognised. Our senior students will lead the school community through a short ceremony. Parents are welcome to join us.

Don’t forget - Walkathon Sponsorship Money: Please send your child’s Walk-a-thon sponsorship money in by tomorrow. After this we will announce the winners of the highest amount raised at Assembly on Monday 14th November.

Transition: Our second transition session was held today and was very successful. We also got to meet our new preppies for next year and speak to their parents. The last week, 24th November, Parents Club will provide a morning tea to welcome our new families.

Swimming Program reminder: Don’t forget that tomorrow is our fourth swimming day for years prep to 4. Don’t’ forget bathers and towel!

Enrolments 2017: We are in the process of developing our classes for 2017, therefore, we are unable to take any further requests for class placement next year. Also, to assist us with planning, if you know that you are leaving the school and will not be here next year, please advise the office as soon as possible. Thank you for your cooperation.

RACV Challenge: Our students who are entering four Push Cart teams in the RACV Challenge on 17th to 20th November, at Maryborough, have been practicing very hard. Thank you to Miss Higgins and Mrs Wynne, who have worked with them training them to use the push carts effectively, they are very pleased with their commitment and efforts. We wish them well and look forward to hearing both about the race and their time there.

Communication with Teachers: All teachers can be contacted through school email address. Parents who wish to contact teachers can send their first email to the school email address marking it to the attention of the teacher concerned: overport.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au and it will be forwarded to teach.r. They will then respond to you through their direct email. Or you may simply ask them for their email address; whichever is most convenient. All teachers are very happy for you to contact them in this manner, so do not hesitate to do so.

Kind Regards,
Julie Gleeson,
Principal.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Happy Birthday to the children who are celebrating their birthday this week.

Mia 4C, Jasmine OPA, Gerika 3A, Abby 3C, Alan 3C, Denis 4C, Gemma 5A, Lena 3A, Jasmine 4B, Olivia 2D, Jai 3C, Ethan 4C, Syd 6B, Andrew 6A, Tony 3C, Indya 4A & Emily 1D.

Canteen News

Important Canteen dates -

The canteen will be closed next week—

Tuesday 15th November to Thursday 17th November

Meal Deal order forms went home this week for Friday 18th November
Order forms due back by Monday 14th November

Normal trading resumes Tuesday November 22nd
Planning is well and truly underway for 2017 class formations. Staff are working very hard to ensure that your child is placed in the best class for their learning and social needs. So these class lists can be as accurate as possible, could I ask you to notify the school office as soon as possible if you are intending on moving to another school for next year. The office staff will then be able to prepare documentation for your child’s exit.

Curriculum payments for 2017 are close to being finalised. Once this is done, you will receive a payment notice for each of your children. Payments listed will include amounts for an individual bookpack, essential educational items, graduation payment (year 6 only), a voluntary contribution, and any term 1 excursions or activities which will be occurring during term 1. Payment options will again be available: payment in full, by instalments, Centrepay or by payment plan. Mrs Viv Robinson our business manager will be available to assist with any payment plan options. Subsequent activities and excursion will be charged on a term by term basis, with these notices sent home towards the end of each term. Please be aware that payment notices will again be colour coded, so if you have more than one child at Overport, each payment notice will be a different colour, and payment amounts will vary from year to year.

It was great to be able to see our prep students in the water for their swimming lessons last week. They were all having a great time. It was very pleasing to see how attentive they were to their instructors; listening and following directions very well. There are 4 more Friday swimming lessons left for this year. The feedback I have had indicates that having lessons once a week is working extremely well. This may well be something we continue with next year.

Our fabulous RACV team heads off to Maryborough next Thursday. We wish all of these students the very best of luck in their events. This would not be possible for our students if it wasn’t for Mrs Wynne and Miss Higgins, and we thank them very much for all the time and effort they have put into getting these teams organised and ready for the competition.

Attached to the newsletter today is some information about Frankston City Libraries International Games Day event, which is being held on Saturday 19th November. There will be activities for all ages, including Virtual Reality Insanity and Star Wars cosplayers. The Force will be with Frankston Library, 12.00pm – 2.00pm.

Please be aware that the canteen is CLOSED next Monday – Friday. Friday 18th November is our next meal deal day.

Have a great weekend everyone,

Deborah Madder
Assistant Principal
Extend OSHC at Overport

Last week was a great week, as it ended with a visit from our friendly gecko from the bush...Gilbert who was here to meet and greet family and friends that were at the Overport Christmas Market. The children were excited all week in anticipation for his arrival. Though we did do other things during the week, outside play on the playground as well as games of soccer and for the more quiet times they did some drawing and creative creations with paper. Plenty more fun and exciting things to come.

Thank you for 112 Blood Donations!
Extend would like to thank our school communities, staff, family and friends for helping us raise 112 Blood Donations for our Extend-a-Hand project.
Visit darrensdare.com to watch our Extend Director jump out of a plane!

SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM BOOKINGS ARE OPEN!
Book early to take advantage of early-bird rates!

**Early-bird closes:**
Friday 2 December for December bookings
Monday 19 December for January bookings

We have heaps of fun activities planned these school holidays and can’t wait for you to attend! Have fun with science experiments, participate in a bunch of craft activities with access to a plethora of art media, and get active with a variety of outdoor sports and team games. Join in on all this and more at Extend’s Summer Holiday Program.

**To check out what’s on visit our website at extend.com.au and book via the Parent Portal.**

Kelly and the Gang

**Week 7 Activities**
Monday 14th November: Farm Animal masks
Tuesday 15th November: Animal Collage
Wednesday 16th November: Landscape collage
Thursday 17th November: Sponge painting
Friday 18th November: exploding volcano

**ONLINE BOOKINGS:**
extend.com.au

**OUR OFFICE:** 1300 366 437

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