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The Overport Times

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS AT SCHOOL EVERY DAY

...AND ON TIME!

Parent Club 80s Social Night: Don't forget to join us on Saturday night in the hall for our 80s social evening! It should be lots of fun. There are a few tickets still available; so make sure you ring our office today!

Hoop Time – Level 3. Our level 3 basketball teams went to Hoop Time on Tuesday. They have been training really hard with their coach, Miss Suzanne Moroney, every week. They had a great day, the weather was fine and Miss Moroney was very proud of their efforts. The Rising Start, grade 4s, played four games. Of the four games one was a draw, one was a win and two they were defeated. The Rookies one two and were defeated twice. Both teams played well and reported they had an amazing time. Thankyou to the parents who assisted with transport.

"Princess Whatsername" – Production September 11th: '

With a classic fairy-tale setting, loads of exciting and hilarious roles to play, a variety of entertaining musical numbers and a plot full of mystery and adventure, this show has it all! It begins in the Misty Forest, where a girl is sleeping all alone. But when she wakes, nothing looks familiar to her. She can't remember anything — not where she's from, how she got here or even her own name! She embarks on a journey to discover her identity and meets several fairy-tale characters along the way — Hansel and Gretel, Rumpelstiltskin, Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Snow White and the Seven Dwarves, Cinderella and Rapunzel to name a few.

Thursday	September 11 2014	5.45 pm
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Tickets available to purchase online Monday 18th August http://artscentre.frankston.vic.gov.au/Home or counter sales at Frankston Arts Centre

Adults $18, children $13. Infant/toddler up to 2 years old are free sitting on knees.

Please Note: No concessions. Tickets CANNOT be purchased from our school office.

Drop off and collection information: ***All students are to arrive at the Frankston Arts Centre at 5.00 pm for the evening's performances. Children will need to have had their evening meal: only water and a small snack is allowed back stage.***

Collection arrangements: All students must be signed out by a parent. If someone else it to collet your child, please provide your teacher with a note prior to the evening. Please be patient at the end of the evening, as we have almost 500 children to be collected. Thank you for your understanding. We are all looking forward to another magical performance from our children.

Diary Dates

Friday 15th August
Mark Wilson—Author Visit

Saturday 16th August
Social Night-7.15pm

Monday 18th –Fri 22nd Aug
Book Week

Tuesday 19th August
Yr6 Choir Baxter Village

Friday 22nd August
Milk & Cookie Day

Friday 5th September
Preps Father's Day Breakfast

Thursday 11th September
Whole School Production

Thought for the Week

"Learning should be lifelong: So embrace all new opportunities to learn".

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Family Forums Parent Survey: A survey link has been provided for all our families. It is critical that you respond to enable us to meet our students' and community's needs. As we continue to develop these forums we need your feedback to make any required appropriate adjustments. Therefore, we are sending the link again, as at this stage we have insufficient returns to make any informed conclusions.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NZLMTJL

Tree-Planting Day: Last week we finally were able to undertake our tree-planting with the large number of plants received from the Frankston Council. Thank you to Miss Moroney for her organisation. The children were involved throughout the day and enjoyed the opportunity to be outside in our lovely grounds. We will see the results once the plants become established. Our Buildings and Grounds committee have been highly instrumental in the development and implementation of our Landscape Master Plan. They are to be commended for their work, which is evident from our lovely Japanese- style garden, our shade trees and bio-diversity gardens to our new and thriving vegetable garden. We are fortunate to have such a beautiful and aesthetically pleasing environment for our students.

Curriculum Day: Last Tuesday groups of staff visited 10 different local schools to view a range of programs being undertaken. We reconvened at 2.00 pm and shared all we had learnt. Several of the programs which we have implemented will be reviewed and may be extended across the school; and some other learning programs may be implemented at OPS. The opportunity to have high level professional conversations with teachers from neighbouring schools is available professional development for our staff. As well, it reaffirmed for our staff the excellent work they are doing here in providing outstanding programs for our students. The day was a magnificent success and many are keen to continue their contact with the schools and staff they met.

Prep 2015 Enrolments: ***Please be advised to ensure sufficient places are available for all student attending Prep at Overport in 2015, we require students to be enrolled by the end of August.*** We have already held a few Prep tours, the next one has been arranged for Thursday 21st August. If your child has a sibling who will begin Prep next year, please contact the office for an enrolment package and enrolment form. Enrolment forms can also be downloaded from our web site.

Kind Regards,
Julie Gleeson
Principal

'OVERPORT CARES' AWARDS

These certificates are awarded at assembly each week for children who have excelled in an academic or social endeavour throughout the previous week.

Annabella OPA, Louie OPB,
Eva-Marie OPC, Lily OPD,
Mason 1A, All of 1B,
Grace 1C, Francesco 2A,
Jesse 2B, Sebastian 2C,
Isabelle 3A, Jennifer 3B,
Saxon 3/4C,
Janet 4A, Luiza 4B,
Edwin 5A, Jayden 5B, Talicia 5C,
Riley 6A, Tiaani 6B
& Brooke 6C.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Happy Birthday to the children who have celebrated their birthdays last week and this week.

Kascha 4B, Jessica 5B, Dakota 3/4C, Riley PA, Alec 2B, Jessica 3/4C, Jack 6A,
Ebony 5B, Daniel 5C, Bethany 2B,
Hayley 6A, Winter PC, Degan 1A, Seth 1C, Will 4B, Rina PC, Alen PC, Olivia 3B, Zack PA, Steven 3A,
Jaiden 5A & Davyn 5A

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S ARTICLE

Today our year 1 and 2 students have been having a wonderful time on their excursion to the zoo. I have been lucky enough to join them for this great day. Each grade had a chance to explore the zoo, and also have a session in the Discovery Centre. There will be lots of discussions and photos to share back in the classroom. Thanks to the year 1/2 team of teachers who organised this experience for your students.

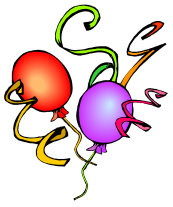
Production preparation is well and truly underway. Please be on the lookout for notices your children may be bringing home in relation to costumes. Your help to get the items they need will be very much appreciated by our teachers. You will also receive a permission notice shortly, as all students will be travelling by bus to the Frankston arts Centre for a full dress rehearsal on the day of our production; Thursday 11th September. The cost of this bus trip has been included in your excursion levy payment, so we just need you to sign and return the permission form.

Next Tuesday 19th August is our next Education sub-committee meeting. Topics for discussion will be homework requirements across the school, and our recent Family Forums. Please come along and join in the conversation. It would be great to have your input. We begin at 3.45pm in the staffroom, and children are more than welcome to stay.

In celebration of Book Week, Mr Rodwell and Mrs Santospirito have organised a book parade next Friday 22nd August. Students are encouraged to come dressed as book characters. A parade for the junior school will take place in the hall at 9.20am, followed by a Yr 3 – 6 parade at 10.20am, also in the hall. Parents and friends are most welcome to come along and join in the fun.

An interesting website has been brought to my attention. www.raisingchildren.net.au is the site for the Raising Children Network, a valuable website resource for parents with newborns, preschool, school-aged and early teens. Each age group tab includes links to topics such as behaviour, communication, nutrition, safety and sleep, with related articles of interest, and tips & advice. If you have some time to spare, take a look. I'm sure you'll find it interesting.

Don't forget that our Parent Club are holding a social night this Saturday, form 7.15pm in our school hall. It's a great opportunity for the community to get together and have fun! Tickets are still available at the office for $15.00.



Thank you to all the families who participated in the University of New South Wales competitions. All tests have now been completed. Results will be sent out a bit later in the year, and will be presented to students when they arrive.

Have a great weekend everyone,

Deborah Madder

Assistant Principal

Canteen News

Notices went home on Monday for our book week Milk & Cookie morning on **Friday August 22nd**

Please return orders by **Tuesday August 19th**

NO LUNCH ORDERS OR COUNTER SALES on this day

Monica Champion

Canteen Manager

Extend OSHC at Overport Primary School

Extend Newsletter week 5

Last week even though it was a short week we still had heaps of fun things happening. Outside play was a must when the weather wasn't too cold or wet, but when outside wasn't an option then uno, chess and battleship was top go. All the children are getting involved in the planned activities especially when yummy food is the activity which ended the week by making chocolate balls, a favourite of all kids.

Next week's activities starting: 18th August
Monday- Active movement
Tuesday- Creative drawing- Favourite Movie
Wednesday- Basket Weaving
Thursday – Junk Craft Design
Friday- Astronaut Book marks

Kelly

Spring School Holiday Program bookings NOW OPEN at a School near you!

Monday 15 Sept to Monday 13 Oct 2014

We have heaps of jam-packed activities and incursions ranging from Arts & Crafts, Cooking, plenty of games and sports and lots of Spring activities! We are also now offering Excursions! Visit the Extend website at extend.com.au for program timetables, booking forms, and activity descriptions.

Bookings close Friday 5 September – book now to avoid disappointment.

enrolment hotline

Phone our friendly customer service staff on: **1300 366 437**

www.extend.com.au

Social Night

Sat 16th August 7.15pm

Venue: Overport School Hall

Date: Saturday August 16th, 2014

Time: Dancing kicks off at 7.30pm, doors open 7.15pm

Cost: $15 per person (bring some friends)

BYO: Drinks (don't forget your wine glasses) & nibbles

Dress: 80's, retro, whatever makes you wanna dance baby

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