The Overport Times

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

State-wide Orientation Day: Next Tuesday, 6th December is the State-wide Orientation Day. Our year 6 students will go to their respective high schools for the day. Our students will go to meet their new teachers and classmates in their new rooms for 2017, at 11.30 am to 1.00 pm. This gives our students an opportunity to develop relationships with their new classmates and teacher before the end of the year. They will bring home a letter that they develop with this information. Please be enthusiastic for them. This will assist them to look forward to next year.

Parents Club Thank You: As the year comes to a close, we must thank the members of Parents Club for all the wonderful work they have done this year. They have undertaken a range of activities to raise funds to support those extras that make our school such a school of choice for our community. For example: air-conditioning through the school, a wide range of technology to support digital learning, our playground sails and equipment, and, of course, our wonderful new netball court, just to mention a few. They also always provide book bags for our incoming Preps. As the year goes on each year, the committee often becomes smaller as families become busier. Therefore, next year to 'spread the load" now that the school has grown so large, we will undertake these events in smaller working parties under the heading of Special Events, which is also a sub-committee of School Council. You will have an opportunity at next year's first parent teacher meetings to put your name down for any of the areas in which you are willing to help. This will make things more manageable. We would especially like to thank our Parent Club

President, Erin Clifford. Erin has had to resign due to other commitments but we truly appreciate all she has done. We would also like to thank our Vice President, Tash Stewart and Secretary Liz Barr and the other active members. They have done a wonderful job this year.

Mt Erin Secondary College Performance: On Monday Mr Eric Budd and The Mt Erin Secondary College Band performed for our senior students. It was a wonderful performance and we were delighted to have them. The children were fully engaged and obviously enjoyed the

music presented. We have invited them back again next year.



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Diary Dates

Friday 2nd December -

Yr 6 camp returns Final swimming lesson for Prep-Yr 4.

Monday 5th December

Parent Helpers morning tea 10.30am in the staffroom.

CAMP DATES:

Yr 3 Sleepover-

Thursday 8th -Friday 9th December

Yr 4 Camp-

Wednesday 7th -Friday 9th December

Monday

12th December-

Whole school sports day and Meal Deal

2017 Dates:

Tuesday 20th December Final day for 2016 School finishes 1.30pm on this day.

Monday 30th January-Teachers return

Tuesday 31st January-Parent/Teacher familiarization sessions

Wednesday 1st February-School resumes for Yr1—Yr 6 students

Thursday 2nd February-Preps start - shortened day.



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Visit to Channel Nine: Our instrumental teacher,

Mr Adrian Ferry once again arranged for a group of our students who have been working with him to visit channel nine. Mr Freeman joined them and they met Brian Hitchener and were shown around the studio. He also explained how the news program operates. They also met Jo Hall. Adrian told me that

Mr Hitchener was, once again, very impressed with our students and their mature behaviour and general demeanour. This seems to have become an annual event and we sincerely thank Mr Ferry for organising it again. The children were delighted with the

opportunity and we appreciate his commitment to our school and those he teachers here.





Update on the RACV Challenge: It seems that an error was made in valuation the overall score at the recent RACV Challenge. I am delighted and proud to announce that our RACV Challenge team came second overall not fifth as first thought. We are thrilled with their efforts. Our teachers and parents that attended are very proud of them and pleased that their hard work paid off. Well done RACV Team!

Kind Regards, Julie Gleeson, Principal. Thought for the week.

You better watch out,

You better not Shout...

Santa Claus is coming to Town!

\$24 sleeps to Christmas Day!

Canteen News IMPORTANT DATES

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Thursday Dec 8th - Return Meal Deal orders

NO LATE ORDERS ACCEPTED

Friday Dec 9th - Last day for lunch orders

Monday Dec 12th - Sushi Meal Deal at sports day at Ballam Park.

Tuesday Dec 13th - Open for counter sales Only. No lunch orders.

Wednesday Dec 14th - Open for counter sales Only. No lunch orders.

<u>Canteen closed from Thursday December 15th</u> <u>until the end of Term.</u>

Canteen reopens Wednesday 8th February.

Year Level Reminders for this week:

Foundation:

We have our Statewide Transition Day on Tuesday 6th December. Students will find out their teacher for 2017 on this day.

Year 1 /2

This Friday is our final swimming lesson. Please remember to bring your swimming gear for some fun in the pool.

Year 3

Please bring back your sleepover forms as soon as possible! Last swimming session tomorrow.

Year 4

Camp is next week! Yay! Please start thinking about what you need to pack!

Year 5

Please ensure all permission forms and payments have been received for our 5/6 Beach Day and whole school athletics.

Assistant Principal's Report

Next Monday, the staff would like to say THANK YOU to all the parents who have volunteered their time and talents to our school throughout the year. As a small token of our appreciation, we are hosting a morning tea in the staffroom. An invitation has been sent home, and put on tiqbiz, however if you haven't received either of these messages, please come along. We would love to see you in the staffroom form 10.30am.

Next Friday 9th December is the last week for you to contribute food items for our donation to the community. Items such as: cereal, dried fruit, tinned vegetables, noodles, fruit snacks, spreads, muesli bars, tinned ham and biscuits will be great contributions to food hampers for those needy families in our community. Please bring as many as you can, and they will be collected from classrooms throughout next week.

Payment information for 2017 has been sent home today. All notices and information has been stapled together so nothing gets lost, and each year level has different coloured payment notices. The office is open to accept payments until Friday 16th December, and then reopens on January 30th next year.

The last of our transition sessions will be held next Tuesday 6th December. All students will be meeting their teacher for 2017, along with their new classmates. All children will bring home a notice next Tuesday, advising you of how to go online to make a booking for our beginning of year Parent and Teacher meetings. Bookings will open on Tuesday afternoon. You will need to know the name of your child's teacher, and the class in order to make this booking. We will ask all students to record this information on the notice they bring home to you. Please be aware that there will be a different booking code for Prep and Year 1-6 bookings. The Prep code will be: fsryy. The year 1-6 code will be: dh3xs.

I believe our year 6 group has had a fabulous time at Wilson's Promontory this week. We look forward to hearing some tales – tall or true – when they return tomorrow afternoon. Year 4's are heading down to The Briars at Mt Martha next Wednesday for their 3 day camp, and next Thursday night, our year 3 students get to spend the night at school, followed by an activity day on Friday. I know they will all have a great time.

We are so lucky to have a great team of specialist teachers, who run outstanding programs for our students.

Below are a few photos from LOTE, PE, Music, Library, Art and LEAP.













Attached to the newsletter today is some information in readiness for summer. Keeping hydrated is an important part in supporting our health and wellbeing. Drinking plenty of water is a cheap and easy way of keeping hydrated. Thanks again to Peninsula Health for providing this information for our community.

Have a great weekend everyone,

Deborah Madder Assistant 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.

Chloeann OPA, Sam OPB,
Max OPC, Oriana OPD, Nicole 1A,
Electra 1B, Phoebe 1C, Cooper 1D,
Meka 2A, Liam 2B, Tarik 2C, Mia 2D,
Lena 3A, Parker 3B, Conner 3C,
Nick 4A, Katelyn 4B, Flynn 4C,
Gemma 5A, Whole of 5B,
Ashley 5C & Zeb 5D.

Extend OSHC at Overport

What another exciting week we had last week. The children now love our new storage

system, materials for particular activities are now stored in the one container. The children also have really enjoyed our wheelie bins which contain various craft mediums ready to use and create an awesome masterpiece.

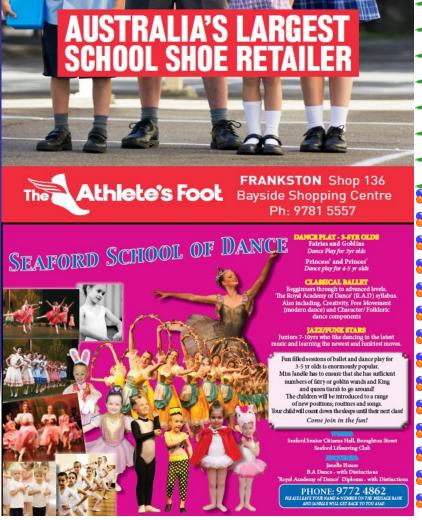
Next week we will be starting our summer display wall, we have so many fun and exciting things to add to our wall. Don't forget to make your bookings for our holiday program, bookings close on Monday 19th December for the January school holidays.

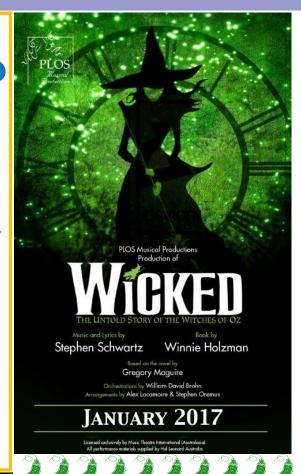
Also a reminder to all parents that your booking does not roll over for 2017, please ensure you make your bookings before term 1 begins at extend.com.au

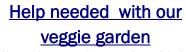
Kelly and the Gang

Week 10 Activities

Monday 5th December: Door wreaths
Tuesday 6th December: beach towels
Wednesday 7th December: Reindeers
Thursday 8th December: Beach umbrellas
Friday 4th December: Paper Chains







We need some volunteers that might be around during the holidays to help us out ith watering the school veggie garden. If you are available could you please email Mr Joyce joyce.ricky.r@edumail.vic.gov.au with your name, students name(s), availability and contact number/email.

BIRTHDAY!!

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

Theo 3B, Tex 5B, Callum 6A & Grace 3B.



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