

The Overport Times

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

Open Night and Science Fair

Congratulations to our students on the wonderful entries into our science fair held last night at our annual Open Night for Education Week. It certainly demonstrated that we have amazingly talented students who have a diverse understanding of science and its many branches as well as an in-depth understanding of scientific terms.

We were all generally amazed at the wonderful exhibits. It was exciting to have the Peninsula Astronomical Society here with their fantastic telescopes and hear children saying, "Mum, I can see Saturn", "Hey Dad, that's the moon!". We also must express our appreciation to Mr Daniel Price who along with Miss Marie Yanni was a driving force for last night's Science Fair. Mr Price works with our senior students in our Science in Schools program. He certainly got everyone's attention with the assistance of Ruby W, 6A and Miles L, 6A with the dry ice experiment: quite exciting. We were further thrilled by the support from parents both in assisting the children as well as the wonderful attendance last night. It is not that often that our hall is so full we cannot fit everyone in! Also, the many wonderful comments about our lovely new buildings were greatly appreciated. As a community we are all so lucky to have these great spaces for our children's learning. Inside there are many wonderful photos of the evening.



Our Prep Scientists!

Preps Visit to the Museum

On Friday last week, our Preps visited the museum. They had an exciting day and explored all areas with great excitement. Our teachers said that they particularly loved the children's museum and the interactive aspect that it offers. Today the level 3 children are visiting Scienceworks. These excursions further support curriculum and our current focus on Science.



Pre-schoolers Visit to the Classroom

This is a reminder to anyone who may have a child at 4 year old kinder this year, who will be attending next year, that we have an opportunity for them to visit and play in the Prep Centre this Friday afternoon from 2.45 to 3.30 pm. Please contact the office to advise if you are planning to bring your child to this orientation afternoon.

Diary Dates



May 20th-24th
Education Week
Friday 24th May
 District Cross Country
Monday 27th May
 School Council 7.00pm
Monday 10th June
 Queen's Birthday holiday
Tuesday 18th June
 Education subcommittee
Wednesday 19th June
 Building & Grounds
Wednesday 26th June
 Yr P-2 Parent meetings
 2.00-7.00pm
Thursday 27th June
 Yr 3-6 Parent meetings
 2.00 - 7.00pm
Friday 28th June
 Last day of Term 2
 2.30pm dismissal
Monday 15th July
 First day Term 3

Thought for the Week

Keeping
 our kids
 safe
 is all
 our
 business!

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Cyber Safety

We recently had police visit to discuss cyber safety and issues with our grade 6 students. They outlined many aspects including the use of photos online and through mobile phones. Below outlines a number of options for students if at any stage they have cyber bullying or any other cyber/on-line concerns. Our online help and reporting service that students and parents can access if they are experiencing any cyber safety concerns or issues is:

Overport PS Cyber Safety email address:

cyberbullying@overport-ps.vic.gov.edu.au

Other online help and reporting services for students and parents:



Help and Counselling:

Has something happened online to make you feel uncomfortable, scared or sad? Cybersmart, through Kids Helpline, provides you with free and private advice online. If you're not sure about talking to someone on the phone, Kids Helpline also offers web counselling and email counselling. If you need to talk to someone now, the fastest way is to call Kids Helpline on 1800 55 1800 and speak with a counsellor.



The Cybersafety Help Button also provides internet users, particularly children and young people, with easy online access to cybersafety information and assistance available in Australia.

The help button is a free application that is easily downloaded onto personal computers, mobile devices and school and library networks.

Student Safety

As was mentioned in last week's newsletter there have been a number of reports in relation to stranger danger within the Frankston and Langwarrin areas. We are vigilant when on yard duty, address concerns with the children and report to parents to ensure the need to be vigilant with children travelling to and from school. However, at times the concerns are incorrectly reported. If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards,
Julie Gleeson
Principal

Sport Report

Runners' Club

Congratulations to Josh W and Lexus A for reaching 10km during Runners' Club and also to Luke O who has reached 25km. This club may be joined by all students from years 1-6. Students wishing to participate meet Mr Bryant on the oval between 8:30-8:50am on Monday and Wednesday mornings. Runners' Club is a great way to build cardiovascular endurance, experience associated health benefits and improve students' concentration for the academic day ahead.

5/6 Winter Interschool Sports Report

Last Friday we competed against St John's Primary School. The results were as follows:

Netball A team lost by 1 point

Netball B team won by 1 point

The football team won by 10 goals



Boys soccer lost by 2 goals



Girls soccer won by 2 goals

Canteen News

Our Dessert Day meal deal is tomorrow, Friday

No other lunch orders or counter sales are available on this day.

DON'T FORGET children will need to bring any other snacks and their sandwiches.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S ARTICLE



I know it has already been said, but congratulations to the team who put together a sensational Open Night and Science Fair on Tuesday evening. We are so fortunate to have such a committed and enthusiastic group of staff, who are dedicated to preparing our children so well for the future. Your children, our students, are in very capable hands here at Overport Primary School.

Our final event for Education Week is a visit from local kindergarten children tomorrow afternoon. They will get to experience life in the Prep Centre, while our current Preps are having fun at PMP. We hope they enjoy their visit with us.

As you will know, bookings have opened for Parent Teacher meetings, which take place on Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th June. It's a very simple process. Just go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow the 3 simple steps. 127 bookings have already been made, so if you want a time that best suits you, I suggest you make your booking soon. If you have any problems accessing the site, or the internet, please just call the office and we can help you out.



We have a number of students representing Overport Primary School at the District cross country tomorrow. We wish them all the best, and trust that they will all try their best.

Have a lovely weekend everyone,
Deborah Madder, Assistant Principal

Leave the car at home. Try walking or cycling with your child to and from school. It's better for their health and the environment, and will reduce the traffic around our school.

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'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.



Jai OPA, Sara OPB, Dakota OPC, Anna 1A, Caleb 1B, Temira 1C, Natalia 2A, Jake 2B, Ashley 2C, Josh 3A, Michael 3/4C, Tyler 3B, Matt 4A, Jade 4B, Ronin 5A, Admir 5B, Matisse 5C, Aleanor 6A, Hamish 6B & Dulaj 6C

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

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

Natalia 2A, Tiahna 2A, Georgia OPB, Imogen 3A, Joy OPA, Sean OPA, Tania OPB, & Madison OPB

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Book Club is due back on:

Monday June 3rd 2013

Please remind students:

- To place all orders in envelopes clearly marked with their Name and Class
- To have the correct amount of money All
- Cheques payable to Scholastic

Extend OSHC at Overport Primary School

Last week we didn't get outside as much because of the terrible weather so indoor games were the way to go. All games were enjoyed by all.

This week we will try to go outside as much as we can, if not we will be playing plenty of indoor games in the hall.

As the hall is used by active after school care sports we will be in the TLC room at the grade 6 end on the days in which the hall is being used which varies each term. Parents will be notified about what days we will be in the TLC room.

Kelly



Extend joins the Vinnie's CEO Sleepout! Rise to the Challenge! 20 June 2013

Extend Director Darren Stevenson will again be joining CEO's around the country to brave the winter weather in a bid to raise awareness of homelessness. He will be armed with only a beanie, a sleeping bag, a sheet of cardboard, soup, bread roll and a hot drink as he gets to experience what more than 100,000 Australians are faced with every night of the year. Over 34,000 children are homeless every night.

So please think about digging deep and remember every dollar counts in helping Vinnie's ongoing provision of support to homeless services across Australia. To sponsor Darren click on the link below, <http://www.ceosleepout.org.au/ceos/vic-ceos/profile/?ceo=1673>

Thank you, in anticipation!

**Our Extend Superstar is.....
Luiza M for being a great helper.**



Next week's activities: Farms

Monday 27 May:	Noisy Chickens
Tuesday 28 May:	Animal Masks
Wednesday 29 May:	Build a barn
Thursday 30 May:	Farm Animal Chains
Friday 31 May:	Animal Cookies

enrolment hotline

Phone our **friendly** customer

service staff on: **1300 366 437**

www.extend.com.au

TRIVIA NIGHT

Don't forget our Trivia Night!

Saturday 1st June

We have lots of prizes, games and silent auction items

Some of the auction items are listed:

- * Limited Edition signed poster from Hawthorn Football Club framed – comes with certificate of authenticity (only 1000 printed)
- * \$500 Styling Voucher from Miss Velvets Shoes and Accessories in Frankston
- * A full term worth of Dance Classes at Creations School of Dance (Located at Mt Eliza Primary School Hall)
- * Signed St Kilda Hat
- * Hamper from Zart Art and Craft Supplies
- * Round of Golf for 4 people at Mornington Golf Club
- * Plumbing Voucher from Goldie's Plumbing Drainage and Roofing
- * Furniture from Focus on Furniture
- * Various vouchers from Dan Murphys, Rebel Sport, Strike Bowling and Laser Tag, Happy Bodies Fitness, GKR Karate
- * Various Hampers from Creative Hampers and Gifts, Mattel Toys, Stella Soy Candles

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