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Overport Newsflash

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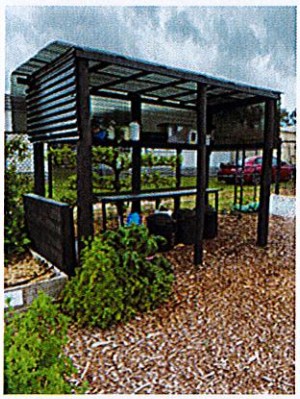
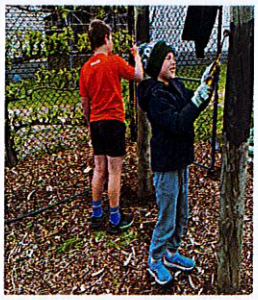
Welcome to Term 4 .

Welcome to term four which has started with some very strange spring weather, especially last Friday! Our students are happy to be back with their teachers and friends. Year 6 students are beginning to realise that they will be soon taking on their new adventure as high school students - It all goes so quickly! This term we have already begun with the year 4 camp, our Koorie Students were given the opportunity to attend Willum Warrain Koorie Kids Day Out and this week Regional Athletics, the Lawn Bowls final and Division Cricket Final. The Halloween disco is after school this Friday 25th October—what a way to end the week! Plenty more is on for the term with the preps students going to the zoo, year 5 and 6 camp, beach days for year 4, 5 and 6. On the 1st of November, we will hold the first of our four transition sessions, where the children move to the next year level. On the state-wide transition day, which is 10th December, 2024, they will meet their teachers and classmates for the following year.

Veggie Garden Sheltered Area - Thank you





Over the last school holidays, the amazing Sue Scheele, grandmother of Sam S of year 6 and Jude S of year 3 who has been working and assisting with the veggie garden on a very regular basis, arranged and paid for the materials and construction of some much needed shelter. This now provides a covered area for parents when working in the garden which is greatly appreciated by all of the volunteers. This was a very generous and kind thing to do for our students and the school. Thank you so much Sue. We really appreciate it.

Willum Warrain Koorie Kids Day Out.

Last Friday, students who identify as Indigenous were invited to attend a Koorie Kids Day out at the Willum Warrain centre. The students thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity and were treated to a great day celebrating Aboriginal culture with just over 200 students from approximately 20 schools on the Mornington Peninsula. They were treated to traditional dances and had a wonderful time dancing and drawing traditional artwork. Mrs Gillson who accompanied them, told me that they represented Overport in a fantastic way. We appreciate the Willum Warrain Centre for offering this to our students and to Frankston Primary School who undertook the organisation of the event.

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Grounds Development Update.

We are now at the stage of the artificial turf being laid. There is a slight delay in delivery but this can be expected to commence in approximately 3 weeks time. The expected completion date is now 17 December. If we are lucky enough for this to be met, we will be able to hold our final assembly for the year which will involve our classes singing their favourite Christmas songs in that area.

School Halloween Disco!

I am sure that all of our students are looking forward to the Halloween Disco arranged by our wonderful Parents and Friends Club on Friday 25th October. Their representative, Jackie Hughes will be asking for volunteers to support and assist if you can spare a small amount of time. A Sausage Sizzle and Zooper-Doopers will be available to purchase. The times for Prep to year 2 are 4.00 to 4.45 pm; year 3 to 4 from 5.00 to 5.45 pm and years 5 and 6 from 6.00 to 6.45 pm. It will be lots of fun for all of the students.

Class Placement 2025.

Each year around this time, we invite any educational considerations parents may have regarding their child's placement for next year. We offer a two week window of opportunity to discuss this with Jill Wathen, Marie Yanni or myself so that we can make the best possible plan for student learning for the coming year. You may wish to discuss this with your child's current class teacher prior to arranging contact with us. Please note that this includes relevant educational concerns you may have and wish to share with us. However, it does not include requesting teachers or nominating other students with whom you would like your children to be placed. While we do consider friendship groups, we want all children to develop new friendships as well. Children will be placed according to a sound educational and social mix. If you have made requests in past years and you wish to address the situation again, please do so, otherwise placement will be treated as normal. Requests and discussions must be completed by Friday 1st November. Please be aware that we will **NOT** make any changes to class placement after they are announced on the State-wide transition day which is on Tuesday, 10th December. Therefore, if you have any concerns, they must be addressed during this time frame, thank you. We know that you will trust us to make the best educational decision for your child.

Enrolments for 2025.

We are still accepting late applications for Foundation (Prep) for 2025 and for students moving to our school for years 1 to 6.

If you have a child starting primary school in 2025, and have still not enrolled them, please contact us as soon as possible to ensure are aware. If you know of anyone else who is in Overport's school zone (https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au) and has not yet enrolled, please advise them to contact immediately. For more information, and enrolment applications, please look at our website: https://www.overport-ps.vic.edu.au/enrolment.html

Our next tour date is 31st October. Please contact the office for bookings.

"Every Student, in every school, every day, deserves a great day"

Kind Regards

Julie Gleeson

Principal.