

The Overport Times

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

Welcome to another new term – our last for the year! And how the year has flown by! It seems only just a moment ago we were beginning and now we are coming to the end. WE hope that everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable holiday, even with the wild weather. Please remember this term children are required to wear a school hat, which is navy blue and wide brimmed with a logo. These offer the best protection. New hats can be purchased from Primary School Wear in Playne Street Frankston.

Whole School Transition Program

Our grade sixes will be off to high school before we know it! And, no doubt, all the rest of our children are beginning to wonder who will be in their grades for next year. Each year we hold a whole school transition program in November. For the first four weeks of November, each Friday afternoon, the children will go to a new year level with different children and teachers to do some enjoyable activities. This is undertaken to assist with minimising any disruption to their learning and to help them feel comfortable about their new grade level and the coming year. Our new 2014 Preps also attend these sessions. A final session is held on the State-wide Orientation Day, which is the second Tuesday in December. It is on this day that the children are introduced to their teacher for the following year and their new classmates. They will bring home a note for you outlining this information.

Grade Placement for 2014

Our enrolments at Overport have continued to grow significantly this year which is due to our continued excellent reputation for student social and emotional wellbeing and academic success. We are currently beginning to develop next year's grade structure to accommodate this. The development of these grades is based on many factors and designed to ensure the best possible outcomes for your child. However, should you have a request in relation to grade placement for 2014 that is based on your child's specific educational needs, please make an appointment to see either Mrs Madder or myself prior to placing this request in writing by Friday, 25th October. *Please note that due to our planning requirements, requests after this date will be unable to be considered.* While we will respect all requests, we will continue to use our professional judgement to ensure your child receives the optimum educational opportunity for the year.

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~ PLEASE NOTE ~

*From term 1 2014, the newsletter will no longer be printed.
It will be available to download from Tiqbiz or access via our
website: www.overport-ps.vic.edu.au*

Diary Dates



Mon 7th - Fri 11th Oct

Nude Food Week

Friday 18th October

Wacky Walkathon

Mon 21st - Fri 25 Oct

Japanese Week

Tuesday 22nd October

- Education Sub committee
- Japanese Meal Deal

Wed 23rd October

Buildings and Grounds Subcommittee

Thursday 24th October
House athletics—whole school

Monday 28th October
School Council

Tuesday 5th November
Cup Day
Student Free Day

Thought for the week

Sometimes the task seems daunting.

But when you are at the top of the mountain and look back at your achievement, it is then you see it was worthwhile.



Principal article cont'd...

Planet Saver's News

Carry in Carry Out – Nude Food Week: A successful nude food week was arranged by our Planet Savers. Some information regarding the results will be published next week. There is certainly an obvious change in the amount of rubbish in the yard with our “carry-in and carry-out” program as well and the waste free lunch challenge. Let's hope that this inspires the children to continue these practices.

Wacky Walk-a-thon

Don't forget to collect sponsors on your sponsorship form for our Wacky Walk-a-thon next week on 18th October. *Please note the children should not door knock or collect money from people they do not know, especially without a parent; as this is an unsafe practice.* So, dress up in something “wacky”! All the money raised from this Parent Club event will be used to cover the cost of air conditioning in the hall. Thank you to our wonderful Parents Club for this initiative.

Kind Regards,
Julie Gleeson, Principal.

**WACKY
WALK-A-THON**

**Friday
18th October**

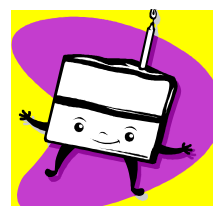
*...Please return your
sponsorship forms by
Thursday 17th October...*

**Remember to
dress up
and have fun!!**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

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

Megan 6B, Neria 2A,
Jennifer OPC, Shanae 1A,
Luke 3B, Aleesha 6B, Ema 4A,
Jemimah 5B & Jesse 5B



**WEDNESDAY
IS SCHOOL BANK
DAY**

It's easy to open a
school bank
account....simply visit the
office and pick up a
Youthsaver Account
Opening Kit!



Book Club is due back on: Friday 25th October 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

MEMOS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION & EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

1. **Student Accident Insurance Arrangements:** DEECD has asked that each school ensures parents understand that we do not provide personal accident insurance to students.
2. **School Injuries & Insurance:** Parents & guardians are generally responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including transport costs. Most medical costs will be refundable by Medicare. If you are an ambulance member or have private health insurance, you may also be able to claim expenses incurred.
3. **Personal Goods Brought to School at Owner's Risk:** DEECD does not hold insurance nor does it accept responsibility for private property brought to school by students, staff and visitors. There are many companies offering student accident insurance should a parent wish to organise their own coverage.

GET in2 FUN
GET in2 CRICKET

SIGN UP AT IN2CRICKET.COM.AU

YOUR NEAREST MILO in2CRICKET CENTRE IS:
BAXTER CRICKET CLUB (MEL REF 106 J3)
REGISTRATION DAY IS THIS FRIDAY 11th OCTOBER
4.30PM - 6.00PM
SEE YOU THERE

There's no better way to spend a day than with new friends learning how to play cricket! With the MILO in2CRICKET program, girls and boys get to learn awesome skills, play exciting games and have great fun. So what are you waiting for? Sign up today at in2cricket.com.au

CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen is open for lunch orders and counter sales.

To support our Japanese week we will hold a

Japanese Lunch Day
on Tuesday October 22nd

Order forms went home on Monday and need to be returned by

Friday October 18th

***We cannot take late orders for this meal deal**

***NO other lunches available on this day**

A term 4 menu comes with this newsletter some small changes, but no price increases.

SPRING SEMINAR

Children and nature: why they need each other

Presented by Michael Ungar

Join Michael Ungar, one of Canada's leading thinkers on childhood, for an inspiring morning for all the senses set in the botanic gardens.

Bring along family, friends and colleagues to hear about the current thinking around developing resilience and the connection to nature in Canada. Do some barefoot networking with other people who are concerned with raising the next generation in a world of changing climates and increasingly sedentary lifestyles.

About the speaker:

Michael Ungar is a Canadian academic, social worker, researcher, writer and speaker focused on developing resilience in children, youth and families. He inspires parents to recall their own childhood and the lessons they learnt from being risk takers and responsibility seekers. Michael is concerned that our children are not being provided with the opportunities they need to learn how to navigate their way through life's challenges.

Presented by the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne and Cranbourne Education Services team in association with the Victorian Child and Nature Connection.

In association with:



Bookings are essential

Be sure to book early as limited seating is available and the event is expected to sell out.

Where: Mueller Hall, Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne

When: Tuesday, 29 October
Doors open at 9.30am for 10am start

Cost: \$40 per person

Bookings: 03 5990 2200



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Extend OSHC at Overport Primary School

Welcome back. Hope everyone had a great holiday. This week the children had lots of stories to share about what they did over the holidays. The children had lots of fun with all the activities this week, very creative and interesting.
- Kelly



Next week's activities:

Monday 14 October: Invisible pictures
Tuesday 15 October: 3D flower pots
Wednesday 16 October: Science Experiments
Thursday 17 October: Bubble pictures
Friday 18 October: Piggy Banks

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OKLAHOMA!

Frankston Arts Centre

Tickets 9784 1060

Our school has an app

We are now using an app
to send instant messages,
newsletters and notices.

The tiqbiz app will help our school keep you fully informed and up-to-date with newsletters, notices, news and events. It's easy to use and also has the benefit of helping reduce our paper consumption by printing less.



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