Every Child Matters Every Day
At Officer Primary School we hold the following values – the four ‘R’s’ for all members of the school community.

- RESPONSIBILITY
- RESPECT
- RESILIENCE
- RELATIONSHIPS

As a staff, we make a commitment in 2014 to make these core values part of our explicit teaching on a routine basis.
We invite parents as well to engage in teaching and living by these values.

Date: Friday 24th October, 2014

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

PFA BUNNINGS BARBECUE
Once again, the hardworking members of our PFA and their band of volunteers gave their time on Sunday to run a 'sausage sizzle' and raffle to raise funds for the school. They were delighted to be visited by some of our families on their way to the Bunnings store. I believe their efforts added another $1500 to their fundraising total for the year. Well done!

SCHOOL REVIEW
On Wednesday Win Warren the Lead Reviewer involved in the current School Review visited the school to conduct a presentation of her review findings to both staff and School Council. The next step in the process is the formation of a Design Team made up of the school leadership, staff and Alex Greenwell (Senior Adviser from the Regional Office) who will develop plans for us to move forward in addressing areas identified as priorities for the school. When these plans are in place, a copy of the report and the future plans for improvement will be made available to families.

SCHOOL COUNCIL
At the School Council Meeting on Wednesday evening Parent Payments for 2015 were discussed. It was decided that the payment for Essential Educational Items would remain the same as for 2014, at $160 per child. The $160 will cover a book pack for each child that will contain the classroom essentials and the balance of the payment will cover a range of other consumables used in class and specialist programs. Payment for activities such as camps, excursions and sports will be requested throughout the year as these activities are scheduled rather than in one large payment at the commencement of the year. The option of payment plans will be made available to families to assist them in managing these expenses. Families that have previously utilised EMA payments to contribute to these costs need to be aware that EMA payments to families have been phased out. Our School Council President is forwarding a letter to families with some information about EMA.

School Council also passed the policies presented to them in September. These are the Anaphylaxis, Camps, and Excursions policies, and the Duty of Care Policy and Procedures.

PUPIL FREE DAY – MONDAY 3rd NOVEMBER
Families are reminded that Monday 3rd November is a Curriculum Day for students. On this day teachers will be involved in gathering and analysing student assessment data in preparation for the Semester 2 Student Reports. We hope that many of our families will be able to take advantage of the long weekend to take a break in the lead up to the busy Christmas period.

Lynne Brenner
Acting Principal
To the parents and staff who helped out at the Bunnings BBQ on Sunday. Well Done Everyone!!!!

CONGRATULATIONS

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
T.O.P. News

PARENTS AND FRIENDS

Our big news for the week is the success of our Sunday Bunnings BBQ. Thanks to a lovely day and plenty of hungry families, we made a profit of approximately $1500. This fundraising will contribute to our next goal to upgrade the technology at Officer Primary School. Our raffle was also very popular with winners as follows:

1st Prize: Rapid Tune Car Service valued over $600 - Winner Renee from Narre Warren South
2nd Prize: Fighting Fit Gym 6 month membership - Winner Rob from Pakenham
3rd Prize: Marshere Dance Studio Lessons - Winner Louise from Pakenham
4th Prize: $100 Pakenham Tyre Voucher - Winner Heidi from Berwick
5th Prize: Berwick Pottery Voucher and DVD Player - Winner Jo
6th Prize: Berwick Pottery and Taco Bill voucher - Winner Samantha from Pakenham
7th Prize: Kids Sports Pack - Winner Casey

Thank you to all the companies above for their generous donations. To our volunteers who helped throughout the day: Kyleah, Nick, Craig, Robyn, Jenny, Paula, Matty, Heidi, Anthony and Jeanette. Your time and effort is much appreciated. Claudia deserves a special mention for her onion expertise. And a massive thanks goes to Michael Ball who co-ordinated the day. Michael was at the BBQ from 8.00am to 5pm. Now that's dedication!!

After a meeting this week, the Committee has decided to move the Officer Primary School Fair to Term 4 of 2015. We originally announced this would be in March next year but have discovered the weekend was already dedicated to the Relay for Life which is supported by many in the school community.

THINGS TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK......

phasis Book Club Orders are due back on Monday 27th October

sembl All Walk-A-Thon forms and money are due back at the office by 4pm Monday 27th October.

Keep collecting sponsors to see if you can win the prize for the highest fundraising student. Or maybe your class will raise the most money and win a class party.
The Walk-A-Thon will be held on Friday November 14th. More details such as time and venue will be announced soon.

SUBWAY LUNCHES

Wednesday November 5th is the next Subway lunch day. Please have your orders in before the bell on Wednesday morning.
After a year of Prep.......

I am fabulous at reading. Jorja
I write my numbers neatly. Liam
I am very good at plusses to 10. Angus
I am good at counting backwards. Arina
I know the letters of the alphabet. Charlie T
I am very fast at running. Sebastian
I am reading very well with expression. Cleah
I am sounding out words really well. Riley
My writing is very neat and easy to read. Chelea
I am better at sitting still and listening. Josh
I am much more organized. Zara
I am good at EVERYTHING! Charlie R
My sight words are great. Campbell
I feel confident to have a go at everything. Summer
I know about the sounds the letters make. Kiara
I am an excellent drawer. Jye
I can read numbers into the hundreds. Reece
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