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 2015 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 12th June, 2015

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

Curriculum Report
On Wednesday evening we had our School Council meeting for June. The meeting commenced with a curriculum report presented by Yolande Kerin (Senior Professional Learning Team Leader). Yolande spoke to council members about how the CAFÉ reading program is being implemented with senior students and the impact this is having on both their interest in reading and skill development. If you have students in the senior school I would encourage you to speak with them about their reading program. If you have any queries please feel free to approach Yolande or Duanne. I am sure that they will be happy to answer your questions.

ICT Laptop Proposal
At our meeting School Council provided approval for the purchase of a laptop trolley and 20 laptops for student use in the classrooms. The funds for this ($15,000) have been provided through the 2014 fundraising efforts of the PFA. This equipment will considerably enhance our capacity to provide all students with greater access to technology. We hope to have the laptops ready for use from the commencement of next term.

Buildings and Grounds
Our families will be pleased to learn that the drainage issues around the junior building should soon be a ‘thing of the past’. A call for help has led to one of our families assisting us with the sourcing of materials and expertise to complete the job of replacing the faulty downpipes with more suitable materials. Thanks to the work of our contacts, all materials for the job have been donated to the school by Tradelink. This work is scheduled for completion on the weekend, weather permitting.

School Council Training
In coming weeks our School Council members will have the opportunity to attend a training session focused on Governance. This session will be run at the school during an evening session of approximately two hours duration. Attendance at this session will provide council members with an overview of the responsibilities of School Council so that all members are aware of exactly what their role entails and the parameters within which the School Council operates. During the School Review process last year the School Council identified the need for professional development for members as a priority.

OSHC Club NEWS
This week we received a flyer from OSHC Club about some parent information sessions that they are running about their before and after school care and vacation care programs. Unfortunately, the flyer arrived too late for us to inform families of the session at Beaconsfield Primary School on Wednesday evening but we have included the flyer with the newsletter as the second session is at Pakenham Springs on Wednesday 17th June. Families are encouraged to take up the opportunity to discuss OSHC Club’s plans for each of the programs.
Families utilising the OHSC program are also advised that the Account Manager for Officer Primary School families is Georgia Ginis. (Phone: 8564 9025, Email: Georgia@oshclub.com.au)

SEMESTER ONE STUDENT REPORTS
Student reports are provided to families twice a year, at the end of Terms 2 and 4. In these reports, teachers assess student progress against a comprehensive set of prescribed achievement standards across an eleven level structure, from Foundation to Year 10. The teaching staff have been working very hard to ensure that student reports accurately reflect each child's progress and provide families with information about what their child has achieved and where they need to focus their future efforts. These reports will be distributed to families on Friday 26th June.

LOST PROPERTY
Our lost property basket is currently overflowing with items of clothing that have been found in the playground or around the school. As many of the clothing items are unnamed it is very difficult for us to return them to their rightful owners. We realise that clothing is expensive and we are concerned that many families must be unaware that they are missing pieces of their child's uniform. Could you please check at home to determine if your child is missing any of their school clothing and visit our lost property basket in the foyer to see if any of the clothing belongs to your child. We also request that all families check to see that all clothing is clearly named so that we can easily return misplaced belongings to their owners.

Regards
Lynne Brenner
Principal

Parent & Friend News

Fun & Fitness Athon: All students should have received their sponsorship forms last week. If you need an additional form or your child has not received theirs, they are available from the office. The highest fundraising student is rewarded with a 2GB MP3 player and the highest fundraising class receives a class party, but to be eligible all sponsorship forms and money must be returned by Tuesday 23rd June.

Jeff's Main Street Meats & Pakenham Fruit Plaza: The winner of last weeks $20 meat voucher & the additional $15 Fruit & Vegetable voucher was Jakob Fullard. Congratulations

SUBWAY LUNCHES
Wednesday June 17th is the next Subway lunch day. Please have your orders in before the bell on Wednesday morning.

Envelopes are available from the office.
PE/SPORT NEWS

Important Sporting Dates Term 2:
Please mark these dates in your diary.

- Winter Interschool Sport Year 4, 5 & 6 - Weekly Beginning Friday 15th of May (9:00am to 11:00am)
- Officer District Winter Sport Lightning Premiership Day - Friday 12th June (9:00am to 3:00pm)

P.E Points

At the end of week 8, the top 3 classes demonstrating our school values are:

1st - Prep LP
2nd - Prep/1 LH
3rd - 2 JP

FREE Tennis Hot Shot T-shirts

I’m very pleased to announce that the school will be receiving $364 worth of tennis equipment and 56 brand new tennis racquets - which is all thanks to everyone bringing their notices back as well as Julie, Kim and Paula’s hard work in the office! T-shirts are expected to arrive by the end of this term.

Swimming Program

The dates for the 2015 Swimming Program have been set and we are still waiting on expression of interest forms to be returned. The price for Swimming has been confirmed at $75. If you have not yet returned your expression of interest form with your child’s current skill level, you still can do so. Payment plans have been distributed for students to take home and payments are being accepted at the office. If you have any questions or queries, please don’t hesitate to ask.

If your child/ren are not swimming please let the office.

Winter Interschool Sport

Congratulations to all students in Grade 4-6 who represented the school in AFL, Soccer, Netball and Softball. Those students will also be participating in the Lightning Premiership today and we wish them the best of luck!
Dear Parents/Guardians

OSHClub has recently been selected to provide the Before & After School Care Programs at Officer PS, Pakenham Hills PS, Pakenham Lakeside PS, Pakenham Springs PS and Beaconsfield PS. These programs will be open from the start of Term 3, 2015.

We are also running Holiday Programs at Beaconsfield PS and Pakenham Springs PS which will be open from the June/July Holiday period, 2015 and are open to children from all schools.

We will be holding two parent information sessions to discuss the programs and answer any questions that you may have. Details are as follows:

Date: Wednesday 10th June 2015
Time: 6:30 – 7:15pm
Where: The Gallery, Level 2 at Beaconsfield PS

Date: Wednesday 17th June 2015
Time: 6:30 – 7:15pm
Where: The Performing Arts Room at Pakenham Springs PS

We look forward to meeting you then.

The OSHClub Team

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