FOCUS: Respect. Treating other children and adults with respect

THEME: Treat others as you would like to be treated yourself

Dear Parents Friends and Carers,

Thank you to the many parents who attended the Parent Information evenings this week and the Celebration Picnic and Assembly last Friday. We are all feeling a very positive vibe around the school and on behalf of the staff we greatly appreciate your attendance, your contributions and your feedback.

ACCELERATION PROGRAMS – We are very excited to begin the Literacy and Numeracy Acceleration Programs this week, with teacher Katie Uzkuraitis and Consultant Lea Baker being the key implementers. Literacy Consultant Ann O’Brien will also be working with the year 5/6 department to assist in planning literacy programs to meet the individual student learning needs. The Acceleration Program is school wide with an early years priority and children selected to participate are done so as a result of the comprehensive literacy and numeracy assessments completed at the end of 2013 and beginning of 2014. The parents of children selected to participate in one of the programs will be contacted individually and we will look forward to sharing the work and progress with parents as the program advances.

SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT RETIRES On behalf of our School Community thank you to Bronwyn Patel, School Councillor for many years and School Council President over the past 4 years. Bronwyn’s endless energy and positive and proactive approach to school governance has been a driving force behind the development of this school over recent years. Bronwyn will really be missed and I could not have wished for a more supportive and progressive School Council President in my first two years as Principal.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS – School Councillors are elected for a two year term and each year at this time, half the parents and half the teacher members either renominate or retire. Information regarding the School Council elections can be downloaded from the School Website School Council page or Compass or collected from the office. There are four parent vacancies, and it is great to know that councillors are renominating and people have expressed interest. Nominations close 4pm February 22nd. There are also two DEECD Staff vacancies. Thank you to the councillors who are either retiring or seeking re-election- Matt Adams, Greg Hayes, Sarah Mansbridge, Bronwyn Patel, Liz Hopkins and Sally Kilpatrick for their contributions over the past years.

NEW DEECD SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION GUIDELINES – The DEECD has released revised Student Suspension and Expulsion Guidelines and they have requested schools make the details available to families through the following link. If you are viewing the newsletter online please click here.

Have a great weekend.

Lindy

Active After School Activities

There are no places left for Aerobics on Thursday night and only 2 places available on Tuesday night. Still lots of places for Netball on Wednesday night.

House captains

Red Captains - Connor Johnson, Meg Ludeman
Red Vice - Alijah Heremaia, Alexandra Stokie

Blue Captains - Zacc Dwyer, Brianna Brown
Blue Vice - Owen Kirby, Keisha Shaw

Green Captains - Harrison Kilpatrick, Aimee Birrell
Green Vice - Adam Henderson, Eleesha Galbraith

Gold Captains - Jamie Ahu, Madison Heyden
Gold Vice - Ehab Khanyari, Grace Rodgers

Congratulations to all our wonderful house captains. We will place the photos of all our captains in next weeks Link.

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School polos

*r* Our correct colour school polo shirts have arrived!
*r* If you purchased a polo from us this year which was the wrong colour please bring it into the office so we can swap it over.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Fri Feb 28th Interschool tennis
Wed March 5th Photo day.
Thurs March 6th Zone swimming-Hamilton for selected students.
Mon Mar 10th Labour Day Holiday.
Wed Mar 12th House Athletics for years 3-6.
Thurs April 1st Interschool Athletics.
Thurs April 3rd Golf Clinics for years 5/6.
Fri April 4th. End of term 1.
Monday April 21st Easter Monday Holiday.
Tues April 22nd Term 2 commences.
Year 3/4 Maths

- A house of cards - When we started we got 2 cards and made a triangle. We started to make 4 more triangles all side by side to make 5 in a row. After we did 5 triangles we started to make the roofs. After that we put 3 triangles on the floor and made our card house. We needed to get along well and needed confidence. By Amber and Lawrence.

- In maths we were building a house out of cards and learning to use the five keys to make the house. First we put 2 cards together then we put 3 cards on top of them. We worked well together by using the 5 keys. Getting Along, Persistence, Organisation, resilience and confidence to work together. By Lucy and Angel.

- We worked together to build a 4 story house (getting along). We were happy (confidence) because we made it. We were (persistent) because we put effort in and did our best. We were (organised) because we got out our cards and started straight away. We worked hard to get it finished. We used (resilience) by putting goals on ourselves. By Elif and Bianca.

Year 5 Tandara Camp

Deposit of $120 is due tomorrow, Friday to the office.

Number of students attending camp will be calculated on Monday 17th and arrangements for camp confirmed with the bus lines/camp site etc.

Camp payment plans must also be organised with Veronica by tomorrow.

East Warrnambool Ryco Bombers

Under 12 Football training commences
Wednesday February 12th, 4:30pm - 5:30pm Reid Oval
Contact Ken Radley for more details 5562 8191

East Warrnambool Auskick will commence term 2.
Enquiries most welcome. Phone Ken or visit www.aflauskick.com.au
Today our year 5/6 students and teachers made some amazing Asian dishes. They all met up at lunchtime and shared what they had made. It was all absolutely delicious!!! Well done everyone!!
Student Banking

Today we banked a total of $198.15.

We had 32 deposits and room 21 were the winners this week with 5 deposits.

Just to recap on Fridays assembly - The commission from last years banking was $500.00.

We are looking for student suggestions on how to spend our money. Any ideas can be placed into your banking bags.

Warrnambool Independent Traders Market

180 Timor Street (old De Grandi’s Sports Shop)
Drop in for some bargains
Please support the business’ that support our school.

Tennis Coaching now available
@ Warrnambool Indoor Tennis Centre
Tennis Australia’s Hot Shots program from 4 years and up
Friday night $3 HIT casual class
Plus a full range of coaching including adult classes.
Interested? 55626539

No Parking

There have been a number of parents using the Nicholson street entrance to drop off/pick up their children.

The WCC regularly monitors this area and issue parking infringement notices through the mail to offending drivers.

The hours you may not park in that area are between 8:30am-4:00pm.

Thankyou.