**22nd May**

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| May   | 23rd District X Country  
27th Prep Woolworth exc |
| June  | 4th Winter Sport Rd 1  
9th Queens Birthday  
10th Curriculum Day  
16th School Council  
17th Region X Country  
19th Winter Sport Rd 2  
27th Last day of Term |

**GRANDPARENTS MORNING**

Tuesday’s Grandparent’s morning was fantastic and remains a favourite annual event. The delight in the faces of the children as they greet their grandparents is amazing and they are so proud to show off their school, their classroom and some current school work. Noticeably it was the largest number of grandparents to visit our school in recent years.

Holding two concurrent assemblies with an equal splits of grandparents in both the Grade 5/6 building and our Multipurpose room went very smoothly along with the improved parking measures we organised this year.

I caught up with some grandparents who had travelled from country Victoria and one whose visit this year was her eleventh. Thank you to the PFA members who organised hot drinks for our visitors and to all our staff members who contributed to another successful Grandparents Day.

**OPEN DAY & OPEN NIGHT**

During the morning and especially in the evening Dale Goldsmith and I conducted several school tours with a large group of thirty first up at 6:30pm. I have noticed over the last couple of years prospective parents are visiting up to four or more schools to select the best one for their child. Some even come with a clipboard and spreadsheet of important questions and record my answers. There is no doubt our school enjoys a wonderful reputation in the community.

**RELAY FOR LIFE UPDATE**

As you may know our very own Amy Hillier recently organised the Relay for Life event at the Knox and we had a staff and friends team that participated. Early this week Amy informed me that the combined money raised by all teams in this event was $146,000. What a mighty effort! This money supports people with cancer and their families living in Knox. We are so proud – CONGRATULATIONS AMY!

**HEADLICE**

Lately the school has been notified of a few cases of head lice. We ask that families check their child’s hair on a regular basis, especially at this time of the year. The solution to head lice management can be achieved by school communities working together. If you find your child has lice or eggs please treat them before they return to school. Help us eradicate this problem which is an issue in most schools!
REPORTING TO PARENTS

Teachers will shortly commence writing Mid-Year Reports for all children, which will be sent home in the last week of this term. These reports will present parents with an up-to-date picture on their children's performance at school, both socially and academically. Reports take several hours per student to complete and I would like to thank teachers for their commitment to work late at night and on the weekends.

Formal 'Parent/Teacher Interviews' will be held at school in the second week of Term 3 on Tuesday 21st July to discuss the Mid-Year Report and plan for the second Semester. If you have particular concern regarding your child's progress, an appointment can be made with your child's teacher at any time by contacting the Office or arranging a time directly with the teacher.

To summarize our 'Reporting to Parents' process:

Term 1 - 'Get to know you' Parent/Teacher Discussion
Term 2 - Mid Year Report sent home.
Term 3 - Progress Parent/Teacher Discussion
Term 4 - Final Written Report
Term 1-4 Parents can request an interview with their child's teacher at any time

STUDENT ATTITUDES SURVEY

The Attitudes to School Survey assists schools to gain an understanding of students' perceptions and their experience of school. The survey provides schools with valuable data on students' views of their wellbeing, our school in general and the teaching and learning program. Students in Years 5 &6 will complete this survey on today and results will be published later in the year. Our Student Attitude trend data over the last four years has been excellent.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Several parents have approached personally and via a phone call an email concerned about their child's recently distributed school photographs, problems with the ordering process and poses. Last year our School Council approved a change of photographers due to several problems raised parents and this year there have been many more concerns raised. Before I have a meeting next week with our current photographers to raise concerns could I ask parents to send me an email with their concerns which I'll collate? Could I request concerns be succinct and in dot point form please.

PREP ENROLMENTS 2015

A reminder to current families of Prep children commencing in 2015 please collect an enrolment form at the office and complete it by the end of this term. This will enable us to begin planning for next year.

Graeme Russell
FEES
If you are paying the school fees by instalments, the third payment for plan A $45.00, plan B $70.00 and EMA $30.00 is due 28th April 2014.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
If your child is a School Captain, House Captain or Junior School Council Captain, and you wish to purchase a photo, please come to the office to view them. The cost is $17.00 each.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY
Tomorrow, Friday 23rd May, is National Walk Safely to School Day. The day is aimed at promoting physical activity, encouraging safe pedestrian habits, reducing traffic congestion around schools and air pollution. Students are encouraged to walk to school with a parent or carer. If families live too far from school to walk, they are encouraged to park nearby and walk from there.

May
19th Maddy Price
Jacob Neil
22nd Georgia Londregan
25th Edward Chettle

The apple man is back!!!
Friday 23rd May is the first delivery.
$10.00 per bag for Royal Gala, Golden Delicious, Granny Smith and Pink Ladies. If you wish to place an order please send your order and money to the office by 9.30 on the Friday morning.
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<td>For working hard to complete class tasks in time. Keep up the hard work!</td>
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<td>Ava Burnett</td>
<td>For her wonderful writing about her Nanna. Clever spelling Ava!</td>
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<td>Alex Evans</td>
<td>For completing her 'To Town' big book reading activities beautifully.</td>
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<td>Callum White</td>
<td>For his fantastic writing about his Nanny. Well done Callum!</td>
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<td>Jo Murrell</td>
<td>For trying his very best with our flower addition activity this week.</td>
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<td>Well done Jo!</td>
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<td>Patrick Finister</td>
<td>For great diary writing this week. Keep up the good work!</td>
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<td>Scarlett Stephens</td>
<td>Fantastic writing about her grandparents. You make them proud!</td>
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<td>Ava Bridges</td>
<td>For excellent expression when reading &quot;Grandpa's Sippers&quot; aloud.</td>
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<td>Casey Cormack-Brown</td>
<td>Consistently having a positive attitude towards all learning tasks</td>
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<td>Will Stephens</td>
<td>For fantastic reading at the grandparents assembly.</td>
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<td>Jade Thomson</td>
<td>For her confident and easy way she presented her project. Outstanding!</td>
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<td>Cohen Young</td>
<td>For challenging himself to work out and say numbers in the millions.</td>
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<td>Mia Crowhurst</td>
<td>For confidently using a loud, clear voice during her presentation.</td>
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<td>Brodie Prescott</td>
<td>For putting in a terrific effort into everything he does. Keep it up Brodie!</td>
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<td>Jacob Neil</td>
<td>For the fantastic effort he puts into his school work. You always try your best Jacob! Well done!</td>
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<td>Evan Cribb</td>
<td>For outstanding handwriting on the skeletal system. You have worked hard! I am so proud of you!</td>
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<td>Nik Kanduri</td>
<td>For being so confident while reading his grandparents letter at assembly. You were terrific Nik!</td>
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<td>Zoe Garnham</td>
<td>For consistently approaching learning with a positive and reflective attitude.</td>
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<td>Darcy MacDonald</td>
<td>For his creative and effective Cyber Safety poster.</td>
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<td>Keeley Ross</td>
<td>For pushing herself and doing an excellent job when measuring and naming angles.</td>
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The Basin Primary School

Bounce Back Award!

Prep:
Layla Insley—For approaching all tasks with a positive and happy attitude and for always taking care of her class mates. Well done Layla, you are a star!

Grade 1:
Lilly-Ann List—For coming to school with a positive attitude each day.

Grade 3:
Maddison Price—for being a happy, cheerful student. Your positivity is so lovely to see Maddi!

Grade 4:

Grade 5:
India Phillips—for working cooperatively and positively with her peers in both the classroom and extra curriculum activities. We love your supportive and helpful encouragement.

Grade 6:
Cody Forest—for his great improvement in his attitude, positivity and work habits so far this year. Keep up this superb approach! TOP JOB!
CHES S C U B
TOURNAMENT

It was with eager anticipation that on Tuesday, 8 of our Chess Club students participated in a Chess Tournament at Billanook Collage. They all played 7 games each, with games lasting 15 minutes duration and in competition rules.

Extra congratulations go to Daniel, Simone, James and Brody who won medals for their results. Daniel has also qualified for the finals which will be in term 3.

We came an amazing equal second place with one point difference between the top four primary schools.

Alex and James have written about their thoughts of the day below.

Well done for all the students that participated in the chess tournament and thank you to the two parents that drove us there and supported us. Overall our school came second on twenty-three and a half points. We also go heaps of rewards which included medals, certificates and checkmates which is when you win the game. We had a great time playing chess.
My Grandpa was by design left handed but can tell many a story about the ‘old days’ where you were forced to be right handed. I remember he telling me stories of getting into trouble at school for simply being caught doing things left handed, and though it was the norm it was a form of Bullying. It’s amazing how far we’ve come since those days!

However, you only have to pick up a newspaper or watch the news to be reminder how widespread Bullying is still today. Some people have branded Bullying as our society becoming soft, but fail to see the far reaching affects it has on a person’s life. Bullying is serious and as a school community we take it seriously!

Yesterday our school ran an anti-bullying program called ‘The Power of One’. We learnt what a Bully looks like and ways we can play a part to stop Bullying.

Often bullying is put into these categories: Physical, Social, Verbal and Cyber. Some simple action points to remember are these:

* Decide if it is bullying * Ask them to stop and tell them how you feel * Walk away
* Talk to someone / teacher

One of the fastest growing forms of Bullying I deal with outside of this school is happening online. Unfortunately, even in the safety of your own home Bullying is possible. I would encourage parents of students with access to online social networking to monitor conversations being made and to keep an eye on your child’s behaviour after being on these sites.

Richard

School Chaplain

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PLAYERS WANTED - Get Active & Have Fun with Rugby League!

The Eastern Raptors Rugby League Club is your only local rugby league club, providing the opportunity for local boys and girls to play Rugby league from Under 6’s through to Under 14’s. The Club is pleased to invite all new players to come and have a TRY! We have vacancies in all teams.

No experience is necessary; our accredited coaches are willing to teach all aspects of the game.

The season has just started but it’s not too late, get on board now!

The Club is located at Colchester Reserve, Colchester Road Boronia and we train on Monday and Wednesdays from 5.30 – 6.30pm.

For further information, please call Rebecca Marnock on 0421 154 776

Rugby League is an exciting game combining the skills of passing, catching, running and having FUN!

Go to www.easternraptors.com.au for further information
WEEK 4 AWARD WINNERS
OSHClub News
Before School / After School Care Program

Program Update

This Week in the Program
This week has been Science Week so we have been doing lots of Science activities. We have looked at flight by making and flying paper planes and flying saucers and which designs are better. We have mixed oil with water, watch milky fireworks, blown up balloons with lemon juice, and of course the favourites, Volcanoes and oobleck.

Pupil Free Day for The Basin Primary School Tuesday 10th June
We will run a full day program on this day if more than 15 children are booked in to attend. If you would like your children to attend you will need to book in online and select ASC for that Day. If you are not already enrolled with OSHClub you can do so on our website www.oshclub.com.au

Friday Girl’s Club
Friday afternoons we have a group of girls who really love to do craft projects and often they are the only children in the program room for the first part of the afternoon. The girls have decided that they are the Friday Girl’s Club. Last Friday their special craft project was Fantasy Gardens some of which are pictured below.

Next Week’s Activities:- Our World

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<td>Games:- Blob Tag, Sit down Stand up, Cricket Craft:- Parade elephants, Diwali Diyas</td>
<td>Games:- Ship shark, shore, Number Hockey, Craft:- Aborigional dot painting and crafts Cookery Club – Cornflake Muffins</td>
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Parent Information
OSH program phone: 0428 162 718 OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000
Coordinator: Jean Bellis Assistants: Leah, Pam,
All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.