Dear Parents,

School Council Elections – Ballot
All families will have received ballot papers to vote in our current School Council Election process to nominate 5 parents as representatives on our School Council under the parent category. Please remember to return completed ballot papers to the school office by the due date, next Tuesday 17th March, 2015.

Carpark
I thank the parent community for remembering that the carpark is for staff and authorised visitors to our school only and not for parents to use as a drop off and pick up place. Our children’s safety is a priority, when coming to school each morning and leaving at the end of each day, and it is far too dangerous to have parents driving in and out of the carpark during these peak periods. However, I have received a number of recent complaints from concerned families, who’ve observed unsafe driving practices from parents speeding into the carpark and completing U Turns at the school entrance, as children have been walking into the school grounds. I remind all families of the importance of safe driving in our local neighbourhood streets, as safety of our children must come first. Please do not use the carpark for personal parking at any time or for a quick pick up and go or use entrance for u-turn. Thank you for putting your children’s safety first and abiding by this request.

Year 3-6 Athletics Sports – Monday 16th March
Next Monday our Yr 3-6 children will be competing at Ballam Park Athletics Track from 10am-2pm for their house athletics carnival. All children will be participating in all of the field events and a number of track events, to earn points for their house. We have 1 parent who has nominated to assist on the day, with the running of the carnival. We really need other parents to assist with the events, to ensure the day is most successful. I thank Mr Hampton in advance for his organisation of the athletics carnival and to staff and parents for their support on the day. Any parents wishing to assist can contact the school on 9783 4988 or via email frankston.heights.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Year 5/6 Water Safety Program –Tuesday 17th to Thursday 19th March
Our Year 5 and 6 students have a very busy week next week with their Water Safety Beach Program. This program focuses on practical activities and theory on Water Safety in a beach environment and covers life saving techniques, swim and survive and a range of tasks to assist children to improve their swimming skills and water confidence.

Open Night
Last week our Open Night Program enabled all grade teachers to outline their curriculum overviews, homework expectations and general areas of importance to assist children with their learning and encourage parent helpers for classroom support. I thank all families who attended for their time and hope it enabled further insight into where teachers are targeting the learning and strongly encouraging a positive and committed partnership with our parent community.

Parent Helpers
All teachers have communicated to families where they would ideally like to have parents assist in classroom programs. If you haven’t had the opportunity to return an expression of interest, please follow this up with your child’s classroom teacher as we’d love your help, as this greatly benefits all children’s learning and progress.

Best wishes for the week ahead.
Kind Regards
Cheryl Clark—Principal

| IMPORTANT DATES |
|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Monday 16th March | 3-6 House Athletics |
| 17th-19th March   | 5/6 Water Safety Program |
| 20th March        | 5/6 T Ball Lightning Prem |
| 23rd March        | AGM & School Council Meeting |
| 27th March        | END OF TERM ONE 2.30pm FINISH |
A Message from the Assistant Principal.

Well its been another magical week with all students working hard on their Literacy, Numeracy and Inquiry skills. It was lovely to enter the Prep Homestead this week and witness some Prep students working independently on the computers engaging in the ‘Reading Eggs Program’. I was so impressed on how the Preps were practising their reading skills, focusing on letter sounds and first sight words.

The Grade 1/2’s were involved in some reading activities and have developed some great personalised reading groups. All the students were engaged in their learning.

3/4 M showed me some fabulous actions they had learnt to remember how to spell the word ‘Said”. They had been learning spelling strategies, utilising the ‘Thrass Chart.’ Great work!

I wish the Grade 5/6’s all the best next week in the Athletics Day and Beach Week. Fingers crossed for some great weather!

It’s been wonderful to see how many students have received raffle tickets this week for positive behaviour in the yard. We have received great feedback from visitors in the community, commenting on how respectful and well-behaved our students are. Together our staff have developed some ‘Yard Stages of Behaviour’ to assist with teaching our students about behavioural choices and applying consistent consequences in combination with using positive recognition techniques. To reinforce positive behavioural choices, we now have an extra staff member on duty at recess and lunchtime in what we call the ‘Cooling Off Area’.

Grade 6 Transition:
To parents of our Grade 6 students, now is the time to visit Secondary Schools in the area and get a feel of which school will be best suited to your child. It is a great opportunity to find out what education programs are available to support your child in their career pathway. Transition packs will be sent out on the 22nd April and application for Year 7 Placement will be due in May.

Have a fabulous week ahead.
Jodi Craig

SCHOOL NEWS:
RITCHIES COMMUNITY BENEFITS – We received $117.75 in March from the Ritchies IGA Community Benefits Program. Thank you very much to the parents and community members who support our school through this program. If you would like a Ritchies community benefits card which supports our school please see Krystal in our office. Card holders also receive discounts at Ritchies stores.

FRIENDS OF HEIGHTS FUNDRAISING NEWS

Our Easter Chocolate Fundraiser boxes will be going home to families at the end of next week. Each box will contain 10 bags of small Easter Eggs of various flavours for $4.00 per bag equating to $40 per box.

Hot Cross Bun order forms were given to families last week. This fundraiser will be run through Baker’s Delight and offers 1/2 dozen hot cross buns for $7.00. Flavours include Traditional, Choc Chip & Fruitless. Please send your order along with payment to the school office by Thursday 19th March. Buns will be delivered fresh on Thursday 26th March.

Our next meeting will be held on Friday 20th March at 9am in the Friends of Heights Room. All welcome to come along for a coffee, to share ideas and meet other school families.
Swimming!

Well done to everyone who competed in the House Swimming carnival at the Somerville YMCA pool earlier this term. All the students who competed represented their houses fantastically as well as being terrific role models for our school. Martin, the pool coordinator, was very impressed with the behaviour and efforts of all the students.

Results of the day were:

4th—Wedge
3rd—Ritchie
2nd—Baxter
1st—Davey

A special mention to the following students who were also asked to trial for the Northern district team; Noah K, Caitlin Mc, Brielle S, Allen D, Kaden P and Bridie ‘The Fish’ T. Bridie was successful in making the team, swimming in the 10 year olds backstroke where she competed extremely well against some strong opposition. Congratulations Bridie you should be extremely proud of your efforts.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Ebony A
Connor H
Charlize B
Ruby L
Vani M
Shaye R
Alicia W
Ayla T
Damon L
Rani T

Mathew V
Marley B
Julianna O
Kiara C
Paige L
Naite E
Declan C
Tamera-Lee F
Charisma B
Cole W
**OUT OF UNIFORM DAY**

On Friday 27th March, our last day of term one, we will be holding an ‘I Want To Be…’ out of uniform day. Students are encouraged to dress in costumes of what they wish to be when they are older. Please keep in mind appropriate footwear must still be worn at school. A gold coin donation will be required of those who come out of uniform with all money raised going to The Kids Cancer Project.

**HUNGRY HEIGHTS HEALTHY BITES—CANTEEN NEWS:**

**Friday 20th Special Lunch:**

**Baked Potato**

With your choice of Ham & Cheese / Ham, Cheese & Coleslaw / Bolognaise
Plus
Nudie Juice
Plus
Fruit Salad
$6.50

Orders due: WEDNESDAY 18th March

Our canteen is seeking a second hand fridge. If you have a second hand fridge in good working condition that you are looking to get rid of, please see me in the canteen.

Thank you,
Linda Éames
Canteen Manager

**CITIZENSHIP AWARDS:**

Congratulations to the following students who received a Success Award for the weeks:

27th February
PHR: Banjo G
PS: Alexis O
1B: Keira B
1K: Tavira G
2H: Ethan D
2S: Brayden H
3/4H: Olivia M
3/4M: Dannielle-Jade H
3/4R: Tamrind R
5/6B: Caitlin McK
5/6K: Tyler P
5/6M: Stephanie B

6th March
PHR: Kadem W
PS: Vasi C
1B: N/A
1K: Yan C
2H: Sienna G
2S: Sophie B
3/4H: Bree B
3/4M: Ethan C
3/4R: Charlie M
5/6B: Harriet M
5/6K: Rani T
5/6M: Paige L
i want 2 be DAY 2015

27th March 2015

Dress up as what you want 2 be and donate a gold coin to help find a cure for kids’ cancers.

www.iwant2be.com.au
RIDE 2 SCHOOL

Tomorrow is Ride 2 School Day. We encourage students and their families to leave the car at home on this day and get a taste of the benefits, ease and fun involved in choosing to walk and wheel to school. All students on wheels are required to wear helmets (this includes skaters and scooters). Please remember safety when walking or wheeling to school by crossing roads safely and at school crossings whenever possible and by travelling in groups and/or with an adult.

Join in and celebrate
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RIDEWALKSCOOTSKATE
FRIDAY 13 MARCH

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Middle School are investigating Australia – the states, capital cities and all the wonderful natural features that can be found.
Enjoy!!

Karijini National Park
Location: Pilbara region in the North West of W.A.
Karijini has water holes to swim in. It was renamed in 1991. It is 2,500 million years old.

(Jocelyn, Bridie, Mya and Kyah)

The Great Barrier Reef
Location: Queensland
It is the largest living structure on the earth.
It is 300kms long.

(Nash and Jayden)

Chinatown
Location: Little Bourke Street, Melbourne VIC
Description: There are lots of red decorations along the street. There are also lots of restaurants.

(Ben and Jonny)

Cadbury’s Chocolate Factory
Location: Hobart, Tasmania
Description: The factory was opened in 1922.

(Josh, Ash, Alesha and Ayla)

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Aurora Stadium
Location: Launceston, TAS
Capacity: 21,000 people
Origin: Originally Launceston Show Grounds (1873) it has been mainly used for Australian Rules Football since 1923.

(Cooper, Hunter, Brock, Lochlan)
Australian Capital Territory
Location: the South East of Australia within New South Wales. It is the capital city of Australia. It is over 100 years old.

Kohen, Tyler, Alicia and Caley

Uluru
Location: Southwestern corner of the Northern Territory. Description: Uluru is a huge rock, known as a monolith. Uluru is made of sandstone. It is 300 million years old. It used to be called Ayers Rock but the name was changed in 1993.

Tayah, Charlie and Ying

Parliament House
Location: Canberra, ACT
Description: It has a little pond at the front. It is very wide. It is a meeting facility for the Parliament of Australia. It is 27 years old.

Blade, Cain and Christopher

Dreamworld
Location: Gold Coast, Queensland
Description: Dreamworld was made in the 1980’s. It is now 25 years old. It has many rollercoasters. It has chairlifts.

Tyler A, Logan and Ethan B

Gold Coast
Location: The Gold Coast is a coastal city in southeastern Queensland on the east coast of Australia. The city is 94 Kilometers south of the state capital – Brisbane.

Anthony, Marissa, Jack, Ashanti
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March/April School Holidays
Moonlit Sanctuary Young Ranger Program

Kids enjoy environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care.
Day includes: interactions with dingo, python, off-limits animals, feeding animals & food prep, animal enrichment activities, fun and games for ages 7-14 years.

March/April school holiday dates:
Week 1: Monday 30 March to Thursday 2 April, 10am – 4pm
Week 2: Tuesday 7 April to Friday 10 April, 10am – 4pm

Cost: $65.00 per day, or $175 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days).
Maximum 16 children per day.

Bookings essential as they are limited
Dress for the weather and wear closed-toe shoes, long pants and remember your hat or raincoat. BYO lunch or purchase at the café.

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