



FYANS PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
FAMILY NEWSLETTER
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Welcome to Term 3!
Chocolate money
due tomorrow
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2012 CALENDAR
DATES Term 32

JULY

Fri 20th Magic Words Incursion 2.30pm P-6
 NO ASSEMBLY TODAY!!!
 Thurs 26th Girls Football—Gr. 5/6
 Fri 27th Schools Tree Day-planting seedlings
 Responsible Pet Care—Prep 1 & 2
 Mon 30th School Review Panel Day

AUGUST

Wed 1st Special Food Day
 Wed 8th Dist Aths Gr 3-6 Goldsworthy Res.
 Fri 10th Second-Hand Uniform Sale 2.45pm
 Mon 20th School Council
 Wed 29th School Concert—GPAC
 Fri 31st Father's Day Stall

SEPTEMBER

Wed 12th Special Food Day
 Fri 14th Pupil Free Day

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 3

Our students have begun the term looking refreshed and ready for another busy term.

Mrs Hill is unable to join us due to ill health and Mrs Morell will step in again for the next few weeks. Mrs Chesson is also absent this week.

Miss Kent leaves us at the end of the first week to be married and enjoy an extended honeymoon overseas. Mrs Heather McArthur steps into Grade 3/4K.

This term we also welcome new students Charlie (Gr 1) and Freddie Arblaster (Prep) from Torquay.

This term's extra curricular activities will be centred around our whole school performance of 'Junkyard Band' coordinated by Mrs Jacobson. This year our concert will be at the playhouse at GPAC which will be a fantastic real life theatre experience for our students where they will tread the boards where many famous performers have gone before them. More info to follow.

PARKING/STUDENT CROSSING

We have been contacted by the City of Greater Geelong to advise us that penalties regarding school crossings and parking around schools have increased and great vigilance by officers now includes crossing guards who can take licence plate numbers. Our supervisor, Roy, might be a good person to get to know!

Please escort children across the crossing correctly to ensure their safety. Thank you.

STUDENT ABSENCE/LATENESS

Parents will have received an indication of THEIR CHILD'S absence during the first semester with their child's report. What isn't shown is the amount of students who regularly arrive late - after 9.00am. This has a negative affect on many factors which are listed on the back of this week's newsletter. Please look to making sure your child(ren) arrive at school prior to the commencement at 8.55am when the music plays. Students displaying patterns of lateness will have parents contacted as it has a detrimental affect on not just the student involved, but on the class as a whole. We appreciate you support

NO ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK

Due to our whole school incursion there will be no assembly on Friday.

🔗 NOTES HOME THIS WEEK 🔗

- Student Bank Books
- Receipts
- Book Club
- School Concert Costume Update

SCHOOL NEWS



BE CYBER SAFE

The internet and the various applications are a lot of fun and a wonderful learning tool. Maximise the benefits and surf safely together. *Cyber Safety Solutions*



PARENT INFORMATION UPDATE – PARENT OCCUPATION CODE (SFO) – PLEASE RETURN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Thank you to the families who have returned this information. To ensure our school records are accurate and we receive all the Government funding we are entitled to, it is important for parents to return the Parent Occupation Information form to school. The form takes just a few minutes and can be returned through your class teacher.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Are again available from the office for \$55. If you only use one or two vouchers from the books you will have your money back.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

Weekly Tally: 14,128

Bring the card back to school when full and drop it to our Woolworths collection box.



COLES SPORT FOR SCHOOLS VOUCHERS

Weekly Total: 4427

Ready Set Go! Sports For Schools is off and running! Start collecting vouchers - get more sporting equipment.



SICK BAY ROSTER

July	Kim Dudley
August	Helen Crichton
September	Frances Postgate
October	Michelle Harding
November	Katrina Knight



STARS OF THE WEEK - Congratulations to Chloe R, Lillian, Chloe and Lucy.

SCHOOL CONCERT COSTUMES

Preparations have begun for the costumes for our school concert. In keeping with the 'Junk Yard' theme we are doing some fabric 'Up-cycling'.

We need donations of the following items:

OLD DENIM: Jeans, shorts, skirts, shirts or jackets Size and quality does not matter as we just need the fabric.

BLANKETS: Stripe, check or plain

PLAIN T-SHIRTS: Childrens or adults - any colour as long as they are plain!

Please have a look at home over the holidays to see if you have anything we could use, wash it and bring it to school next term.

Please leave at the office for Mandy Leigh.

App of the Week!

Welcome to 'App of the week'!

If you have any suggestions, please see Natalie Judd or Kathryn O'Donnell.



Mr Word

Mr Word challenges you to a word game with added personality. Play a game against Mr Word himself or challenge a friend to a game. If you make Mr Word think for longer than a few seconds, you are doing really well! Mr Word will even "spellcheck" your words as you lay them, so you know in advance whether the word you are playing is acceptable. Challenge yourself to a game of Mr Word today!

Curriculum Area: Literacy

Cost: Free

Suitable for: All ages

SCHOOL/COMMUNITY NEWS

OSHC NEWS

Hi there Family & Friends
 This week in O.S.H.C we have been talking about the Olympic games! Some of us have made torches and a few children have started on making a cauldron for our Mini-Olympics that we hope to have in the last week of term. The Olympics will be our main focus this week and I have signed up an O.S.H.C team for the Premiers challenge. Just a half hour of exercise a day will help you be fit to play! Each day next week we will be learning new sports and adapting them to be able to include them in our Mini-Olympics. So come along and join in on the fun.
 Cheers & Keep Smiling Jodie, Tim, Lynne & Dawn
 Please remember that our BSC opens at **7:00am!**



BOOK CLUB

Book Club will be handed out today. All money and orders need to be handed into the office no later than Friday July 27th. Sorry no late orders can be accepted.

GROUNDFORCE

The Groundforce will be meeting next Wednesday 25th July at 9.00am in the courtyard. If you can spare an hour to help with the school grounds it would be appreciated.

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

Instalment 2

The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided to assist eligible families with the costs associated with the education of their children.

Parents and guardians may be eligible for the EMA if they have a valid Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card.

The second instalment of the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) payment is due to be paid into bank accounts from mid August onwards for those parents/guardians who chose the EFT payment option on their application form.

Parents/guardians who chose the cheque payment option will receive their payment from late August / early September.

Parents and guardians who lodged an EMA application at the beginning of the year do not need to lodge another EMA application to receive the second instalment EMA payment.

Parents/guardians whose children have transferred to this school since 29 February 2012 will need to submit a new EMA application form. Applications close on **3 August 2012**. Eligibility information can be obtained from: www.education.vic.gov.au/aboutschool/lifeatschool/ema/default.htm

TENNIS LESSONS – TERM 3, 2012

TENNIS COACHING FOR JUNIOR TENNIS – Coaching under a qualified member of the Tennis Coaches Association of Victoria (Tony Brushfield Ph: 5244 0040 or 0408 524898). For groups of four children, Tony will advise children of their lesson time at the tennis court at 1.45 p.m. on Tuesday 24th July 2012. Cost for JUNIOR TENNIS for a 7 week term is \$70.00.



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Please forward this application form to school with cheque. **Cheques are to be made payable to Tony Brushfield** by Tuesday 24th July 2012.

NAME: _____ Phone No.: _____

ROOM NO.: _____ GRADE: _____ Age: _____

Please enrol me in Junior Tennis Coaching. The appropriate remittance should be included with this application. As numbers are strictly limited, choice will be based on order of replies received.

Signed: _____

The Importance of Regular School Attendance

Being Late

Students miss out on talking to their teacher before school. Teachers build working relationships with students and the morning time is an important connection to build rapport within the unstructured context. Research tells us that this working relationship is the most crucial when looking at positive learning outcomes and success at school.

Students miss out on connecting with other children before school

Before school is a critical time for students to connect, touch base, engage socially and debrief over weekend or nightly events. Building solid friendships influences positive shared learning in the classroom and teaches children how to maintain friendships over a length of time. Building good social capacity leads to learning the social skills necessary to live and work with others.

Miss out on important organisational time

The first several minutes in the classroom are spent planning for the remainder of the day. For example marking the roll, sending lunch orders, taking monies and notices and allocating leadership roles for the day (if your child is not there they can miss out on this important experience). This is important learning time to develop personal responsibilities of putting away belongings, handing in projects, homework, etc.. This development of skills and attitudes such as self-discipline, punctuality, and being organised will optimise life choices.

Latecomers are often unsure what they need to do in the classroom

Late students will miss out on important learning instructions and then feel detached from their class and activity. They tend to occupy themselves with 'busy' work or pretend to work because they have not had the opportunity to connect with the teacher and clearly understand their learning requirements for the morning's activity. This negatively impacts on student motivation for engagement and learning and can place stress on the student and teacher.

Latecomers miss classroom re-organisation

Students can arrive at their classroom, find that their class has left and then waste time searching for them. Their class may have gone to a specialist lesson and they do not know where to go and miss out on an even greater learning period

Latecomers miss valuable literacy time

The literacy block most often occupies the first session of school and latecomers miss out on feedback from teachers on work completed, literacy activity set up for the session and the introduction of the day's requirements. They miss the 'flow' of learning. The term flow refers to a state of consciousness that individuals experience when their attention is intently focused on an enjoyable activity that is challenging but achievable.

Chronic latecomers often don't see it as a problem

Students who arrive late often don't understand the problems of being late. All the reasons given above are either ignored, misinterpreted or minimised as valuable and critical reasons for punctuality

Latecomers are often unapologetic to the teacher and the classroom

This can disrupt other students when they arrive, especially if they are trying to gain the attention of their friends/peers.

Teachers need to attend to their learning needs due to the delay

Teachers need to repeat instructions, give those students extra attention to get them up to speed with the rest of the class, can be expected to be available to parents of latecomers even though the classroom teaching has begun. Teachers also then have to find extra time to communicate unexplained absences and late attendance by phone, a note, or an after school meeting.