DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 3
18th August – Prep Transition
19th August – Hooptime Years 1/2
21st August – Hooptime Years 3/4
21st August – Daffodil Day and Jeans 4 Genes Day
1st & 2nd September – Production
4th September – Father’s Day Assembly
8th September – Grade 5/6 Interschool Sports Day
16th September – Hooptime Years 5/6
16th September – Pie and Footy Day

“Together we make a Difference!”

PRINCIPAL’S BLOG

Dear Parents and Friends,

News from the Curry Beaners!
We now have 4 weeks left to be ready. Rehearsals are in full swing.
- Senior students with character roles are practising every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
- Costumes are nearing completion and cast photos were taken last Monday for our Programme. Thank you again Jane (Sarah and Polly’s Mum) for sourcing the printing of the program.
- We have also engaged the services of Brian Baker to produce a video of the production. We envisage Videos will be between $25-$30
- Emma Jennings, Doug and Cheryl are almost done with sets and props
- Melody is teaching every grade their musical item, and various teachers and volunteers are developing dances for each grade. Try to practise at home. They are on TiqBiz – with words.
- Tickets went on sale on Tuesday. Limit of 4 per family. Left overs in one week will then be opened up.
- We need permission forms returned for the bus trip to Burrinja on Monday 31st August. Please do not wait until the last minute.

Photos of students
A reminder to all in our community that it is illegal to post photos of our students (other than your own) on media sites such as Facebook.

Student Opinion Survey
What a fantastic survey outcome. Every year our Grade 5 and 6 students across the state, are surveyed to measure their attitudes to school. This year’s results show that we are having a wonderful year with a very positive student group and a teacher team engaged with their students.
**PRINCIPAL'S BLOG CONTINUED...**

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Each field is now above State percentages. Our aim for 2015 was to lift scores by at least 5-10%. We have already achieved well above this!

**Enrolment 2016:**
If your child is due to commence school in 2016 please call at the office to complete an enrolment form. If you know of friends who have children due to commence school in 2016, encourage them to visit our school (tours can be arranged by contacting the office) and remind them that enrolment can be finalised now!!! By enrolling early we are able to work on our planning for next year. If you have any questions or to arrange a school visit please contact us – 9755 1522.

**Coming up in This term**
- Education Support Week: **This week**
- Prep Transition: **18th August**
- School Council and Finance: **18th August**
- Hooptime Year 1/2: **19th August**
- Hooptime years 3/4: **21st August**
- Daffodil and Jeans for Genes Day: **21st August**
- Jim Asimakopoulas: **Sporting values and coaching**
  - Football team **13th and 20th August**
- Pirates of the Curry Bean: **September 1st and 2nd**
- Leadership PL Day 2: **3rd September**
- Father’s Day: **4th September**
- Hooptime Years 5 and 6: **16th September**
- Pie and Footy Day: **18th September**

Have a wonderful week everybody,

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**Friends of Ferny Creek** will be holding a working bee to follow up the fantastic work completed during the recent Ivy Blitz with Ferny Creek Primary School. It will be held at **Beauty Bend** just below the school on **Saturday August 15th, 2 - 4 pm.** We will work on weeding in the area behind the bus shelter. All welcome! Please text Jenny on 0439 755 140 to let us know you are coming so you can be contacted in case of cancellation due to poor weather.
School Crossing:  
Diane Garsed

Uniform Shop:  
Tuesday 8:50 - 9:30am  
Lease Robinson

Library:  
Beth Byrne

Buildings & Grounds:  
Michael Paterson  
mpaterson@probuild.com.au

School Banking:  
Tuesday  
Lease Robinson

Costume Hire:  
Karlene Banfield  
0409 764 369

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Vic 3156  
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NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Deadline by Wednesday 3pm  
Email -  
ferny.creek.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

If you would like to receive the Newsletter every week via email then  
GO TO THE WEBSITE TO SUBSCRIBE TO ONLINE NEWSLETTER

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AUSSIE HOOPS

Aussie Hoops is Basketball Australia’s official junior game development program for children aged 5—10 years.

PROGRAM DETAILS

WHEN:  
From Sat. 22nd August - Sat. 14th November  
(10 weeks excl. holidays)

WHERE:  
Cockatoo Reserve Stadium  
Mountain Road, Cockatoo  
Mel Ref 311 J3;  
and/or  
Monbulk College Stadium  
David Hill Road, Monbulk  
Mel Ref 311 J3

TIME:  
10:00am until 11:00am

COST:  
$70 for new players  
$50 for returning players

FURTHER INFORMATION

Email: hoops@sherbrookebasketball.asn.au or  
juniors@sherbrookebasketball.asn.au

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2015/16 SUMMER BASEBALL REGISTRATION

FOR ALL TEAMS AND PLAYER FROM T-BALL TO MASTERS  
SUNDAY 16TH AUGUST 10AM TO 2PM @ CLUBROOMS  
FOR MORE INFO CALL 0418 591 921

UPWEY FERNTREE GULLY BASEBALL CLUB

F-T-GULLY MOTOR GROUP  
FERNTREE GULLY MOTOR GROUP
Joni W: for working so hard and for always trying her best. Your reading and writing is excellent Joni! Well done.
Isabella PB: For practising her sparkle words and making good progress with her reading. Keep it up Isabella.

Summer B: For always singing nicely during our production practice. Keep it up!
Malachy O’S: For doing a fantastic job in our Literacy sessions. Well done!

Chloe K: For your enthusiastic approach to your school work, especially your writing. Keep up the good work!
Charlie B: For your writing portfolio task this week. You really pushed yourself and improved. Well done!

Jed BH: For trying his best to stay focused on his work and for his determination to improve his handwriting. Great work, Jed.
Nicky B: For staying focused in class and improving his writing by adding interesting adverbs and adjectives in his sentences.

Beren C: For improving his work habits, showing respect and consideration towards others and being understanding when things don’t always go your way.
Leuwin RD: For showing consideration and helping other class members without being asked.

Carlisle J: For showing a fantastic improvement with all his spelling. Well done.
Finn H: For displaying excellent listening skills.

Charlie E: For your wonderful Memoir “Big Fish”. You did a great job of telling the ‘Outside’ story as well as the ‘Inside’ story, what you were thinking and feeling.
Kyan D: For your outstanding effort with your homework. Your Board Game was absolutely fantastic and you did a great job of incorporating chance and probability.

Ashton B: For putting a lot of thought and effort into your homework assignments.
Elska S: For putting a lot of thought and effort into your weekly homework assignments.

Maddy C: For the respect you show others at all times. You are an extremely thoughtful member of our class and we thank you for that.
Thomas P: For the above and beyond effort you have put into your Maths investigation. Well done Thomas, fantastic work!

Be the best you can be and never give up hope.
Keeva
Marvellous Mathematics

Problem Picture Three: Triangular Cushions

ANSWERS:

Suppose you want a larger cushion with an extra row of triangles. How many triangles would this have???

\[ \text{= 15} \]

Imagine a giant version of the cushion with ten rows of triangles. How many small triangles would there be altogether???

\[ \text{= 55} \]

Problem Picture Four: Impossible Date

This old calendar shows an impossible date. Can you think of some more impossible dates???

The calendar uses three wheels to set the date. One wheel has twelve months, a second wheel shows 1, 2, 3 or a blank space, and a third wheel has the numbers from 0 to 9.

- How many different dates can the calendar show???
- How many of these are impossible dates???

Imagine you set the calendar in the dark. When you turn on the light, what is the probability (chance) that the calendar will show an impossible date???
Tickets available on line
www.burrinja.org.au

Some essential dates, events and news leading up to our production:

1. Performance Nights
   - Tuesday 1st September
   - Wednesday 2nd September

2. Tickets on sale now
   We are limiting the first round of sales to 4 per family.
   Tickets are $24 for adults and $17 for Concession and children under 15.
   Log on to www.burrinja.org.au go to ‘Theatre’, then ‘buy tickets’

3. Dress Rehearsals at school Wednesday 26th, Thursday 27th, Friday 28th August

4. Full stage rehearsal (not a dress rehearsal) at Burrinja Theatre Monday 31st August between 10.00 am and 2.00 pm.

5. Stay tuned to the newsletter and TiqBiz for updates!

See you at the show!!
The Curry Beaners!!

What a busy couple of weeks we have had in Foundation. Two weeks ago, we celebrated our 100th Day in School and last Friday, we had our very special Letterland Party Day. We love to learn in Foundation... and we also love to party!
Every Year at Ferny Creek P.S we help raise money for the Anti Cancer Council. This year we are also raising money for the Children’s Medical Research Institute as well. Please dress up in Yellow and wear your favourite Jeans and donate as many gold coins as you like on Daffodil Day/Jeans for Genes day on Friday 21st of August 2015. We will also be selling daffodils at assembly on that Friday morning. We will let you know how much the daffodils are as we get closer to the date.

Thank You,
Beth and Melissa Fransen.
The Week That Was
We celebrated the Into the Wild theme. We went exploring and let our inner-wild-one come alive! Grrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr…

How Cheap Is OSHC
Did you know that if you enrol your child into Before and After School Care it can cost you as little as $6.27 per session per child with Government Rebate eligibility?

The Upcoming Week
We will be discussing sustainability in the classroom, learning what it means and introducing some practical ideas in the class room, like a food scraps system for example.

This Week’s Program
We will be getting involved in a week of ‘Crazy Creations’! We will be making slime and edible dirt! We will also be making lots of new art work to decorate the OSHC room!

Cooking Club
We will be having go at ‘edible dirt’ in our Crazy Creations week. Can it get any crazier!

Feedback
We welcome any feedback or suggestions of things that your children are interested in so that we can develop the program to meet the needs of you and your children

Enrolment and Bookings
We always welcome new faces to Before and After Care! 2015 Enrolments can be completed online or by downloading a paper version, or you can pick one up at the OSHCare room. Should you need any assistance with the online process, feel free to come and see us and will be happy to help you out with the process.

Contacts
OSHC: 0428 258 940
Bookings and Cancellations: enrolment@oshcare4kids.com.au
Karli Lofthouse – Program Leader

Joke of the Week
(by Chloe in 5/6CK)
Q: What are three ‘hates’?
A: 24!!!