DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 2
8th May – Mother's Day Assembly
11th May – Junior School Incursion
   - Toys Over Time
16th May – Working Bee
20th May – Grade 5/6 Excursion to the National Gallery
25th May – Pupil Free Day
25th May – Family Life Parent Information Night
   Grade 3/4  6-7pm
   Grade 5/6  7.15-8.15pm
26th – 30th May – Education Week
28th May – Open Night
29th May – Pyjama Day
30th May – Trivia Night
2nd June – Opera Incursion
8th June – Queens Birthday
10th June – Adam Wallace
12th June – Crazy Hair Day

“Together we make a Difference!”

PRINCIPAL’S BLOG

Dear Parents and Friends,

Reminder for Diaries
Our first pupil free day this year will be Monday May 25th. Please take note of this date.

Mother's Day Tomorrow
Please try to come and share our Mother's Day celebrations tomorrow morning. From 8.30 we are asking you to grab a cuppa and cake from the MP Room and head to your classrooms for a little surprise. We would love you all to then come to our assembly at 9.10 and celebrate your special day as a whole school!

Movie Night
It was another terrific event for the school. The students had a great time. I know the organisers and helpers are thanked by FUNdraising in this week’s newsletter, but thank you from me as well!

I do need to apologise to some families who missed out on attending. We are trying to ensure that parents abide strictly with due by dates for all school events this year as it can cause disruption and present organising difficulties, etc. However, for us to take this stance we needed to communicate the details far better than we did. When reflecting on our promotion of the event we do now realise that, apart from a class information letter about the event, we didn't include the details in our newsletter or TiqBiz leading up to the event. The only follow up communication was a TiqBiz reminder on the day of the event, well after the final booking date. To those families affected we sincerely apologise.

Three Way Parent/Student Teacher Feedback
We are very interested in how you felt this went. I will be asking teachers and students for their thoughts and would like some
feedback from the Mums and Dads who attended. **We have sent home a very short survey for you to complete and return to school as soon as possible.**

### Education Week 2015

Our Ferny Creek **Education Week celebrations are from Tuesday (after Pupil Free Day) 26th May to Friday 29th May.** A key feature of Education Week is to open up schools to their communities to provide the opportunity to see all the exciting activities and programs that happen on a regular basis. I am very proud of many great things about our school and look forward to show these to our current parent community and their families and to potential students of our school.

During our week we will have:

- **An Open Morning on Wednesday 27th May.** Parents, friends, relatives are invited to come into their children’s classrooms and witness our school at work on a normal morning.
- **Wednesday 27th May, 2016 Foundation students attending a ‘Teddy Bears Picnic’, games and songs session.** Parents are invited to partake in a school tour by the Principal while this is on.
- **Thursday 28th May, Open Night** 6.30pm – 8.00pm.
- **Friday 29th May, Pyjama Day.** All Ferny Creek PS to dress in pyjamas and share favourite books with teachers’ and students from all over the school.

### NAPLAN Dates:

**The National Assessment Program – Literacy & Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests for 2013 will take place in the week beginning next week.** Once NAPLAN has been completed, individual reports will be forwarded to parents later in the year (usually late term 3 or early term 4) and we will have access to both individual and group data to assist our planning and teaching strategies.

I need to strongly stress that this is only a small part of the assessment profile gathered on students and should be viewed as such. It will provide parents, and staff, with a snapshot of student’s achievements but should not be seen as a definitive or comprehensive assessment.

Have a wonderful week everybody,
Matthew

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**Movie Night message:**

The Fundraising Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the grade 3/4 parents; we had such a great response on the night! We would also like to extend a special thank you to Matt Whitaker for the popcorn and Yvonne Bosch for the hot dog donation. **Thank you!**
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:
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NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Deadline by Wednesday 3pm
Email - fenny.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

Sassafras Preschool is holding a cake stall on Saturday May 9 on the Village Green in Sassafras. Please come and support your local kinder and purchase a ticket in our Mothers Day hamper raffle;

Prizes include:

1. Sunday Roast at the Sky High, voucher for Beauty In Sassafras for either pedi/mani/facial, bottle of wine/bubbly, hand creams & special pillow
2. Dinner for 2 at the Cuckoo, voucher for Beauty In Sassafras for either pedi/mani/facial, bottle of wine/bubbly, hand creams & special pillow
3. $50 voucher for Nourish in Sassafras

TECOMA PRESCHOOL

Open Day

WEDNESDAY 20TH MAY
2.00–3.15PM
1534 BURWOOD HWY TECOMA

• Meet our team of dedicated educators
• Explore our lovely preschool, gardens and new fairy walk

3- and 4-year-old programs available

Places are filling fast – for an enrolment form, contact us on 9754 5392 or visit tecomapreschool.vic.edu.au
“STARS OF THE WEEK”

Foundation R
Zachary H: For working hard in Letterland this week and making ‘good choices’ at lunch and recess. Great job Zac!
Lewis M: For really settling into school life this term. You are making great progress with your reading and Sparkle words. Keep it up Lewis!

Foundation/1 JN
Summer B: For her excellent focus during writing sessions, especially her Autumn poem.
Archie K: For settling into his first year of school so well and always trying his best.

1/2 Katy/Kelly
Ayla C: For always being optimistic and having a go.
Layla G: For taking initiative by swapping over ‘just right’ books.

1/2 Anna
Lewis F: For being a kind friend and making a positive effort to be a good role model to the grade ones. Well done, Lewis!
Ashley T: For always working at her very best, showing more confidence when sharing her work and continuing to be a wonderful role model to her peers.

3/4 Cheryl
Ally J: For her wonderful presentation to the class about her trip to Central Australia.
Will G: For working hard on Mathletics and achieving his goal of a Bronze certificate.

3/4 Heather
Donovan J: For working well all week and completing some fantastic work. Great job!
Anna H: For great work and beautiful manners. Well done Anna!

4/5 Adam
Jenna C: For your wonderful persuasive text on why ‘Rock music is better than any other Music’. You presented some strong arguments, included a ‘sizzling start’ and ‘ended with impact!’
James C: For your wonderful visualisation relating to the first two verses of Dorothea Mackellar’s ‘My Country’. It is great to see you taking pride in your work!!

5/6 Allen
Ava M: For doing a great job on your ANZAC project on your dad.
Heath K: For playing some exceptional tennis and making it to the next round at the inter-school competition. Great job!

5/6 Coby/Kristy
Mia V.K: For creating a really interesting and thoughtful list for fundraising ideas. Well done Mia!
Chloe R: For making an extra effort to get straight into your work and remembering all the things you need. Well done Chloe.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Sometimes not giving up is the best medicine
Laine
OPEN NIGHT

Dear Grandmas, Grandpas, Mums, Dads and families,

You are invited to our Open night on

**Thursday 28**\textsuperscript{th} May between 6:30 and 8:00pm

Every grade will have on display some work on the History they have been learning about this term.

Visit every classroom and answer a simple History question about the work on display.

Place your entry in the box in the foyer to have a chance to win our **Mystery History Hamper**.

Some children will be performing throughout the night at different places within the school and the choir will perform at **7:45** in the multi-purpose room to conclude the evening.

Look forward to seeing you all there.

Ferny Creek Primary School
TRIVIA NIGHT
RAISING MONEY FOR OUR PLAYGROUND UPGRADE

FERNY CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL 2015

Trivia | Saturday
Prizes | 30th May
Games | 7pm-11pm
Raffles | Tables of 10
Beer / Wine | Tickets $20
Silent Auctions | BYO nibbles
Major Auction | On sale 6th May

JUST SOME OF THE MAJOR AUCTIONS ITEMS UP FOR GRABS....

IPAD 2 / CASE / ITUNES CARD BUNDLE
SUMPTUOUS WINE & FOOD PAIRING DINNER FOR TWO
2 NIGHT GREAT OCEAN ROAD GETAWAY
AEROCHUTE FLIGHT
WORD PRESS WEBSITE & HOSTING

PLUS LOADS OF FANTASTIC SILENT AUCTION ITEMS
JOIN US FOR A FUN SOCIAL NIGHT OUT!
Entertainment Books 2015-2016 are in school this week.

Make sure you don’t miss out as we have only ordered a set amount in. There is book at the Office for you to look through if you are not sure whether to order one for yourself or not.

2015/2016 Melbourne Entertainment Books cost $65 each. Please complete and return order forms or place your order directly online via the email sent through to your inbox.

Books can also be purchased directly from the Office.

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Ferny Creek Primary School is registered for the 2015 Premiers’ Reading Challenge.

The Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge is for all Victorian children from early childhood through to students in Year 10.

The aim of the Challenge is to promote a love of reading. It is not a competition, but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

The Challenge begins at the start of the 2015 school year and officially ends on 14 September 2015. Students in Prep to Year 2 who accept the Challenge need to read or experience 30 books during this period. ‘Experiencing’ a book can include a range of classroom or home activities such as a class reading of a big book, shared reading, listening and reading along with a text and being read to. Students can share their reading with parents, teachers, aides, siblings, student buddies or classmates. Students in Years 3 to 6 who accept the Challenge must read 15 books during this period. Some books must be selected from the book lists available on the Challenge site.

Consent is required for a student to participate in the Challenge. Parents must complete and sign the Consent form to participate in the Challenge. Parents must also sign the Consent form for the names of successful students to be published in the online Premiers’ Reading Challenge Honour Roll. Consent forms will be available from the office.

Students who have previously registered and participated in the Première’s Reading Challenge can still use their previous username and password. These have been reallocated to their current class. Your child’s classroom teacher will have a copy of this.
The Week That Was

Last week we had a great time exploring our environment for insects and other critters that we share the school grounds with. We made some beautiful butterflies and bumble bees! We even used our imaginations to create our very own insects! We’re glad these insects were made up because we wouldn’t like to see a 10 legged spider with butterfly wings outside!! We had a great week.

This Week’s Program

This week’s theme is Intergalactic Space Race! We will learn about what space is like and compare it to here on Earth. We will make planets and star constellations, as well as rockets and space ships! We will also practice running like an astronaut on the moon… It will be the slowest race we’ve ever seen! We look forward to creating our very own Aliens! I wonder what crazy creatures we will make?

Cooking Club This Week

SURPRISE! Join us on Thursday to find out what we will be making! One hint… it will be delicious!

Joke of the Week

This weeks joke comes from Xavier!

Q: Why did the man eat a light bulb?
A: He wanted a light meal

Kids Corner

“Today we are making dragon flies. Yesterday we made bees. And I got a stencil kit and played with it. Today we are having pancakes for afternoon tea. Yesterday we had biscuits and stuff. Snack is always yummy.” – By Emma

Reminders....

We love meeting new friends and welcoming new families to our program! Please feel free to come by the OSHC room and see what we get up to!

Don’t forget to bring a hat to OSHCare!

Bookings and Cancellations: enrolment@oshcare4kids.com.au

Enquiries
OSHCare 4 KIDS Head Office: 9758 6744
www.oshcare4kids.com.au

The Upcoming Week

Next week (week 5) is Art Gallery week! We will be exploring famous artists and artworks and creating some of our own! We will have a go at painting, sculpting, photographing, and sketching! Your inner artist will be sure to make an appearance this week!

Book in now and join the fun.

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