

***We are a Child Safe School.
All children have the right to feel safe and to learn.
We are committed to protecting the wellbeing of students in our care.***

From the Principal,

Bunnings BBQ

This Saturday, 13th May, from 7.30am—5.15pm at Bunnings Thomastown. We desperately need some parent helpers between 9.30am—11.30am and 11.30am—1.30pm. Please contact the school office on 9462 2711 if you can help. All volunteers on the day will go into a “lucky draw” to win a wine/chocolate hamper, currently on display in the office.

NAPLAN Testing

This week, students in Years 3 and 5 have undergone NAPLAN testing. NAPLAN is a snapshot in time, assessing your child’s progress in Literacy and Numeracy, as well as the performance of the school cohorts. Teachers use the results from NAPLAN to improve our teaching and to identify areas where your child might need further support.

As well as NAPLAN we use many other forms of assessment. This includes formal tests such as “On Demand” for 3-6’s as well as class-based assessment tasks. You will have opportunity to discuss your child’s learning at our Three-way Conferences to be held in the last week of Term 2.

This term, teachers are assessing against the new Victorian Curriculum. Students reports will look very similar to previous years, but we will not be able to compare their progress to last year as it is a new curriculum. We will provide further information throughout the term and look forward to catching up with you to discuss your child’s progress.

CSEF Applications

Applications are open until the end of Term 2, so if you have a current Health Care Card, please collect an application form from the school office. If you are eligible, you will receive up to \$125.00 per child to use towards camps, sports, excursions/incursions etc.

**2018 Prep Enrolments
Now Open**

Do you have a 2018 Prep child?

We are receiving enrolments much sooner than in previous years.

We encourage you to complete and submit your application form as soon as possible.

Please pick up an enrolment form from our office or phone for an information pack to be mailed out to you.

Our next Open Morning will be held on Tuesday 23rd May, 9.00am—11.00am for kinder parents.

Mother’s Day Stall

As part of our fundraising program, our Parents & Friends Group have run a Mother’s Day stall, today, Thursday 11th May for all students. There was an assortment of gifts for students to purchase, ranging from 50c to \$5.00. If your child forgot to bring their money today, the stall will also be open tomorrow morning, Friday 12th May, from 9.30am for a short period of time. We thank our wonderful volunteers for organising this event.

I wish all mothers and grandmothers a wonderful Mother’s Day on Sunday 14th May.



Friday 12th May

Mother's Day Stall & Raffle

Saturday 13th May

Interschool Sport vs. Reservoir Views (away game)

Monday 15th May

Bunnings Thomastown BBQ Fundraiser

Wednesday 17th May

Assembly, 3.10pm

Thursday 18th May

Playgroup, 9.00am—10.50am

Friday 19th May

Cross Country (for selected students only)

Monday 22nd May

School Council Meeting 7.00pm

Tuesday 23rd May

Interschool Sport vs. Thomastown (away game)

Wednesday 24th May

Education Week—Healthy Mind, Healthy Body

Thursday 25th May

Assembly, 3.10pm

Friday 26th May

Open morning for kinder parents, 9.00am—10.00am

Playgroup, 9.00am—10.50am

Canteen Special Lunch Day

Interschool Sport vs. Our Lady of the Way (home game)

CANTEEN NEWS

Roster:

Wednesday 17th May

Renee Smith & Emma Bailey

Thursday 18th May

Ainsley Pritchard & Rawinia Carroll

Friday 19th May

Mary Ioannidis & Christel Lemmon



Education Week

Sausage sizzle lunch, Thursday 25th May. Order forms have been sent home. If you do not wish to order a sausage sizzle lunch, you can still order from the normal canteen menu. Volunteers are required on the day, to help bag lunches, cook sausages etc. Please pop in and see me if you can help.

Christine Mountney

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



Raffle Tickets

Raffle tickets have been sent home. Tickets are 50c each or 3 for \$1.00 or you can purchase the whole book for \$5.00. All ticket stubs & money need to be returned tomorrow morning. Draw will take place TOMORROW, Friday 12th May 2017.

What does being a classroom helper mean?



Assisting in the classroom under the direction of the classroom teacher by:

- working with small groups of children.
- providing a role model for learning.

Being a valued member of the school community:

- Your support in the classroom will ensure that children remain on task while the teacher is working with other groups.
- Your willingness to assist in classroom activities shows other parents what can be achieved when partnerships are formed.

WE LOVE
OUR VOLUNTEERS

Interested in being a helper? Talk to your child's classroom teacher, they would love to have you!