



# Wandin Yallock News



*A TRADITION OF CARING & EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION*

**TERM 3**

20<sup>th</sup> August 2009

**THEME: Forces**

No. 25

## TERM PLANNER

### August

Thurs. 20<sup>th</sup> Canteen Committee Meeting 3.45pm (Cancelled)

Fri. 21<sup>st</sup> Mont De Lancey Visitors 3/4K

Mon. 24<sup>th</sup> Parents & Friends Meeting 9.15am

Grade 5/6T Tree Planting Warburton Trail

Tues. 25<sup>th</sup> Education Meeting 3.45pm

Fri. 28<sup>th</sup> Senior Hooptime

5/6 Interschool Sports

Mon. 31<sup>st</sup> Fundraising Meeting 9.15am

### September

Tues. 1<sup>st</sup> **School Concert**

Wed. 2<sup>nd</sup> Finance Meeting 5.30pm

Thurs. 3<sup>rd</sup> Parents & Friends Fathers Day Stall

Fri. 4<sup>th</sup> Footy Colours Day

5/6 Interschool Sport

### **Notices Sent Out**

Grade 5/6T Warburton Trail Tree Planting

### **Notices Due Back**

Family Recipes For Recipe Book

School Concert Class Helper Request

Concert Ticket Ordering

Cookbook Competition/Advertising

Fundraising Pie Drive

Grade 5/6T Warburton Trail Tree Planting

## PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS

### Concert

Only 2 weeks to go to the concert. The theme is 'Travel in Time' and rehearsals are in full swing. Bella and Leah from 3/4DM are excited about their grade's performance of *Dancing in the Street* and a collection of Beatles songs. They feel really lucky that Paula Ebeyer is helping their grade with choreography. Students have been consulted about colourful costumes and will contribute some of their own dance moves to the performance.

Bella and Leah think that the concert is a chance to develop a whole range of skills like singing, dancing, being on time, memory, physical coordination, teamwork and doing your best. Bella says that you have to live with the idea of connecting hands with a boy and that it's alright because it's part of the performance. "Our performance will show that 3/4DM are a really good grade. We have fun and we learn a lot of things. We have really good teachers."

Leah says, "We are responsible, respectful and caring. We have different kinds of fun with each teacher. It's really nice to have your mums and dads and families come and watch you."

### Professional Learning

Jane Thompson attended a workshop about a new online tool for assessing literacy skills. Jane has been the advance guard for the rest of the prep to grade 2 team (who will follow up next week) in investigating this assessment tool. All our Level 1 and 2 students will be involved in this assessment task later this year. This will be happening across the state.

Last week, I attended *The Big Day In*, a principals' conference occurring in different locations across the state. We heard from Professor Doug Reeves, Chairman of The Leadership and Learning Centre on leading change. Richard Elmore, Professor of Educational Leadership at Harvard University, has been influential in guiding the conversation in Victoria about effective teaching and improving student outcomes.

## Our School Values: Respect, Resilience, Caring and Resilience

### Positive Parents Forum

We are holding a series of Positive Parent forums and at the session on August 18 in the Rotunda Cameron Hoo from Eastern Health shared ideas about strengthening relationships between parents and children. It was wonderful to see that this workshop was so well attended. There was a real sense of mutual support and respect in the group. This workshop series is open to all parents and carers in the community. Please consider coming along with a friend or two.

The next session will be about conflict resolution on September 8<sup>th</sup> at 2.00 in the Rotunda. Please see me or Vonnie if you would like to know more.

The next KKPP session is on September 1<sup>st</sup>, same time, same place designed especially for parents whose children are involved in Kool Kids.

### "Not So Fast"

As you know, the Shire of Yarra Ranges has been very supportive of our school in encouraging safe driving and parking. The Shire of Yarra Ranges and the Transport Accident Commission have been working together to improve safety around schools. As part of the Shire's Road Safety Strategic Plan, the "Not So Fast" program which supports speed enforcement, has now been extended to target speeding around schools.

Our school has been nominated to have a Speed Advisory Trailer located near the school between Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September and Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September. Please be as careful as you would always be to ensure our children are safe.

Police will be monitoring drivers around our school in the weeks following this program. Information brochures will be sent home with the oldest child in each family.

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### Cyber Safety

It's always timely to share resources about cyber safety. This website, set up by the Australian government has a link for parents with a wealth of tips and strategies. I warmly encourage you all to check it out.

<http://cybersmart.gov.au/>

*"The internet offers an exciting world of experiences for children and the whole family. It can be entertaining, educational and rewarding—and provides countless opportunities to create, connect and communicate.*

*However, just as in the real world, these rapidly developing technologies also have risks and challenges.*


*As a parent, you can play an important role in helping your children have safe and positive experiences online. By becoming aware of how children and young people use the internet, what they use it for, the risks in being online and some of the strategies to manage these risks, you can help guide them in the online world."*


I strongly agree that the internet is a valuable gateway to knowledge, communication and entertainment. As with other activities, children need supervision when online. They also need to be reminded about family values, and that values apply all the time in all contexts. Many children mistakenly believe that online bullying and harassment is anonymous and cannot be traced. This is not true! All online communication leaves an evidence trail! Bullying and harassment are against the law, wherever it happens.

**Christine Shiel**

**Principal**

## OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS

	<p><b>LIAM H.</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>3/4K</b></span></p> <p>What a confident Grade 4 boy Liam has become! Liam's enthusiasm and motivation for learning is evident in all that he does. He enjoys sharing his knowledge with the grade and has been a fantastic role model in our concert rehearsals. We love how Liam willingly learnt all the dance steps at home and then patiently and expertly taught these steps to the rest of the grade. Liam with your help, we know our concert item is going to be great! Keep that positive attitude going Liam. Congratulations and well done!</p>
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	<p><b>ELISE S.</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>3/4K</b></span></p> <p>We are so lucky to have Elise in our grade this year. Elise is a happy interested and enthusiastic student with a real love of learning. She always does her best and is a positive role model to others. Elise's kind and caring manner is appreciated by us all. Keep the wonderful work going Elise. You are a real asset to our room and our school! Congratulations!</p>
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	<p><b>BRAYDEN F.</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>5/6T</b></span></p> <p>Brayden is a fabulous student who made such an outstanding start to the year that we were sure it could not last...but Brayden has maintained, and built upon, his magnificent beginning! Brayden is an excellent learner who takes the initiative to help others when he has finished his work. He enjoys extending himself with maths challenges and Brayden and his partner were the first to work out our fractions puzzle last week. Brayden is a kind friend to all, and is an enthusiastic contributor to all class activities. Thanks for bringing along some CDs for us to consider for our concert item. We love having you in our grade Brayden...you really are a star!</p>
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## CANTEEN NEWS

The following people are on duty: **Friday August 21<sup>st</sup>**

<b>8.45am - 10.15am</b>	<b>11.00am - 1.45pm</b>	<b>11.30am - 1.45pm</b>	<b>12.15pm - 1.15pm</b>
Pat Bigham	Alex Findlay	Tania Hodgson	Amanda Hardy
<b>HELP NEEDED</b>	Mandy Donker		

If you can help or have any queries regarding the Canteen or can help in any way please contact me on 5964 2453 or 0408 550 633. Cheryll Bruggeman.

### Vonnie's View

#### Child's Views

So what did you do when you were very young, how did you see the world??

I've just been reminded how I had stick insects when I was young and really enjoyed taking care of them, watching them grow and discovering all about them and their world. They were English and nothing like so interesting as the ones we now have at Wandin Yallock PS, but I was fascinated by them nonetheless.

A child's world is full of wonder and amazement, seeing many things for the first time, always learning and getting new, stimulating ideas and experiences. In our busyness and rush we can miss the world our children are experiencing, so why not literally get down to their level and see it from their point of view, take time to let your child share their new discoveries with you.

You can imagine it's your first time seeing a rainbow, watching a shooting star, noticing a wombat coming out of its den, seeing a tiny joey or seeing how an engine ticks over.....

And you can share some of your special memories with your child as well - you may both see each other a little differently!

I pray you'll have wonderful new views!

All the best, Vonnie





**Can You Help???? Wanted for the Art Room**  
 Any plastic bottle tops. Any size/colour/shape. Wool and Plastic Containers  
 Please send to the Office.



## MONT DE LANCEY

*HOW LUCKY WE ARE AT WANDIN YALLOCK TO HAVE SUCH A PROUD ASSOCIATION WITH MONT DE LANCEY. MONT DE LANCEY IS AN OUTSTANDING ASSET THAT OFFERS UNIQUE AND VALUABLE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR STUDENTS.*

*MONT DE LANCEY GIVES OUR STUDENTS A REAL INSIGHT INTO AUSTRALIAN HISTORY, AND THE HISTORY OF OUR COMMUNITY. THE HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES SUCH AS MAKING DAMPER, AND EXPERIENCING THE OLD-TIME SCHOOL HOUSE, ALLOW OUR CHILDREN TO DEVELOP A GREAT APPRECIATION OF THE DELIGHTS AND HARDSHIPS OF A BYGONE ERA. ANOTHER REMARKABLE ASPECT OF THE MONT DE LANCEY PROGRAM IS THE EXCEPTIONAL OPPORTUNITY IT OFFERS TO STUDENTS TO DEVELOP LEADERSHIP SKILLS. WATCHING OUR STUDENTS RISE TO THE OCCASION AS LEADERS FOR VISITING SCHOOLS IS VERY REWARDING. IT IS NOT UNUSUAL TO OBSERVE STUDENTS FIND LEADERSHIP QUALITIES THEY DID NOT REALISE THEY POSSESSED COME TO THE FORE WHEN WORKING AS A HOST FOR A VISITING SCHOOL. THIS IN TURN CAN BE A WONDERFUL BOOST TO SELF-ESTEEM, AND THE SUBSEQUENT IMPROVEMENT IN LEVELS OF SELF CONFIDENCE IS SOMETHING WE AIM TO ENCOURAGE IN ALL WANDIN YALLOCK STUDENTS.*

*HOWEVER THIS EXCEPTIONAL PROGRAM CANNOT RUN WITHOUT THE TIME AND DEDICATION OF A WONDERFUL GROUP OF HELPERS. WE WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE ALL PARENTS TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF VOLUNTEERING TO HELP OUT AT MONT DE LANCEY AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR. THE PROGRAM HAS BEEN ORGANISED SO THAT PARENTS NEED NO PRIOR EXPERIENCE OR KNOWLEDGE TO BE OF GREAT ASSISTANCE. MEREDITH RICHARDSON AND OTHER SUPPORT STAFF INSTRUCT AND ASSIST PARENT HELPERS. IT IS A REWARDING AND ENJOYABLE DAY, HELPING CHILDREN TO MAKE REAL LEMONADE AND DAMPER, OR MAYBE ASSISTING WITH OLD-FASHIONED GAMES SUCH AS SACK RACES!*

## CONCERT NEWS

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September, Careforce Church Mt Evelyn

Preparations are under way for the big event, kids are busy practicing their performances and the excitement is building through the school.

### TICKETS

Tickets are now on sale.

**Ticket Prices: Adults \$12 Children \$8 Concession \$10**

(Participating Wandin Yallock Students will not be required to pay).

Remember, seating is allocated, and first in best dressed! Put your order form and money in an envelope and hand it to your child's teacher, the tickets will be sent out to you.

### RAFFLE TICKETS

We will be drawing a raffle at the concert. Tickets will be coming home soon.

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### Wandin Yallock Annual School Production Ticket order form

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Eldest Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's grade: \_\_\_\_\_

### NUMBER OF TICKETS REQUIRED:

Adult \_\_\_\_\_ Concession \_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_

Method of payment: €Cheque €Cash €Credit Card TOTAL PAID \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Number: €€€€ €€€€ €€€€ €€€€ Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_

€ Visa

€ Mastercard

Card Holder Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Wandin Yallock Family Recipe Book Advertising

We are looking for businesses to advertise in our cook book. A notice came home this week about advertising. If you are interested or need more information please contact the school.

Keep those recipes coming. We are getting more and more each week which is fabulous.

We will also need written authority for permission to publish your child's school photo on your recipe page so please return the original notice, if you need another copy please ask at the office.

You can email to school ([wandin.yallock.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:wandin.yallock.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au)) if more convenient.



### \*\*\*\*\* RECIPE BOOK COMPETITION \*\*\*\*\*

Just over a week to go before entries close for this competition.

All students are invited to enter, it's FREE, by drawing a **picture** (no words) of one of the categories. Soup, Entree, Salads/Sides/Dips, Main Meals, Desserts, Biscuits/Slices/Cakes, Miscellaneous (cocktails & jams), Kids Fun Stuff (play dough etc), Measurements, Let's Make the Week Easy (a weekly planner for busy families)

Enter as many times as you like.

**Entries close 31<sup>st</sup> August.**

The winning entries will be used to decorate each section of the cook book.

HAVE FUN!!!!!!!!!!!!



## **HOT DOG DAY THANK YOU!!**



A big Thank you to Teresa Salvitti and Kathy Barley who organised the day. Your commitment to P and F is really appreciated. Thank you also to Danielle Ford, Kelly Marshall, Fran Vanderhelm, Tracey Spargo, Pauline McIntyre and Christine Cellante.

Your time and support was evident in the success of Hot dog Day.

## **Parents & Friends**

Help needed!! Help needed!! Help needed!!

Are there any mums or grandparents who would like to help Parents & Friends with wrapping some father's day gifts for the Father's Day Stall being held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

If you have time and would like to help with wrapping, in the convenience of your own home, please give the office a call or ring Michaela on 0437 753 399.

We appreciate your time, thank you kindly.

A notice will come home next week requesting helpers for the stall.



## **MARKET DAY**

Our school will be having a shopping day at the Mornington Craft Market on Sunday October 25<sup>th</sup>.

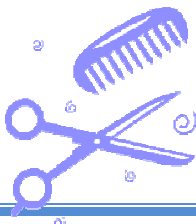
We will travel by bus and lunch will be held at Steeples Bistro. More information will be coming home shortly but mark this day on your Calendar. Great opportunity for some Christmas Shopping.



### **FOR SALE**

#### **QUALITY BUNKS EXCELLENT CONDITION**

White pipeline bunks with excellent mattresses. Like new. Only \$350. Phone Suzy on (03) 9870 4777.



## **\$10 HAIRCUTS FOR CHILDREN**

I'll come to you



**Sharmiah ph: 0432 100 431**