



Orchard Grove Primary School NEWS

Thursday, 18th October 2018

TERM 4

WEEK 2

KEY DATES:

OCTOBER

- 19th Year 6 Little Mermaid photos
- 24th The Little Mermaid Jnr
Performance – Year 5
5pm & 7pm
- 25th The Little Mermaid Jnr
Performance – Year 6
5pm & 7pm
- 26th Foundation 2019 Storytime
2.30pm – 3.15pm
- 29th Year 3 Healesville Excursion

NOVEMBER

- 1st Zooper Dooper Stall
- 5th No canteen
- 6th Melbourne Cup Day Holiday
- 7th Diwali Assembly – pm
- 8th Year 4 Planks Incursion
- 9th Remembrance Day Assembly
Foundation 2019 Storytime
2.30pm – 3.15pm
Whole School Disco
Foundation to Yr 2 - 5–6pm
Yr 3 to Yr 6 - 6.30-7.45pm
- 14th Year 2 Rings Excursion

2018 CURRICULUM DAYS

- 8th June
- 21st December

2018 TERM DATES

- Term 1 29th January – 29th March
- Term 2 16th April – 29th June
- Term 3 16th July – 21st September
- Term 4 8th October – 21st December

CANTEEN DAYS

Canteen is not open on the first day and last day of each Term

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Well, there is a lot of excitement around the school with the up-and-coming performance of 'The Little Mermaid' next week. I hope that you have made plans to bring your children along. It will be terrific for them to see our Year Five and Six students on stage and dream about when it will be their turn in the years to come. We have heard a couple of musical numbers at assembly already and they have been excellent. If you don't have tickets already, there are still some available, mainly for the 5pm performances on Wednesday and Thursday. Tickets are available through Trybooking at www.trybooking.com/424933.

You may remember that, before the end of Term Three, we ran a raffle with prizes for the Royal Melbourne Show and the Pancake Parlour. We raised enough money to be able to purchase a subscription to **Story Box Library**, an online reading room rich with **Australian stories, diverse storytellers, detailed classroom notes and short films**, giving students valuable insights into the process of storytelling. Storytelling is a wonderful motivational tool for literacy, engagement, wellbeing and building connections in our classroom. What is fantastic about this subscription is that it allows at-home access for our school families. What a wonderful way to share good literature together with your children. You would have received a note home from school about this last week; you can access the library at <http://www.storyboxlibrary.com.au/schools> and use the log in details displayed on the note.

School Philosophy

Orchard Grove Primary School is committed to providing a safe, nurturing environment that engages curiosity, promotes learning, personal growth and wellbeing for all students. We strive to develop adaptability and resilience so students can become valued members of the local and global communities and be prepared for future life experiences.

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We would like to acknowledge and celebrate Clio (5GS) and her amazing achievement during the holidays when she competed at the Australian National Taekwondo Championships and won a silver medal.

Clio is a very clever girl, being the youngest Australian to achieve her black belt at only eight years of age! I think we may need to keep a close eye on her as, if she keeps going like this, she may one day be at the Olympics. Well done, Clio!



On Monday, twelve of our students from Foundation through to Year Five competed in the Whitehorse Interschool Primary Chess Tournament. The competition went for most of the day, with children competing in seven rounds of chess with twelve minutes per player on the clock, plus three seconds added each time a player made a move and pressed their clock. The pressure was definitely on! Congratulations to Matthew (3SR), who won the whole championship, and to Kevin (3GT), Jimi (3SR), Jasper (3AT) and Kevin (5BB), who will join Matthew in competing in the State Championships next Wednesday at the Knox Hungarian Club. We wish them well and look forward to hearing how they went. A big thank you to Mr Luke Wang, who helped Miss Dean in organising our team from OGPS.

We are approaching that time of year where we are beginning to make preparations for 2019. If you have a special request for your child's placement next year, based on educational grounds, please put this in writing and send to me by Tuesday 30th October. Please remember these requests are not to be given to teachers as sometimes they do not make their way to me and then your request will not be considered. In addition, if you know that your family is moving and your children will not be attending OGPS next year, please notify the office in writing as soon as possible. This helps us significantly with planning and, in particular, staffing requirements for the future.

We have recently purchased a defibrillator for the school. I hope that we will never need to use it however, in case of an emergency, we felt that it was wisdom to have one on hand. The unit is kept in the First Aid room and is easily accessible.

We have been notified by the Department of Education that they are planning to do works on our electrical upgrade in early November. Dates will need to be confirmed 48 hours before works will commence. There is no doubt that we will be pleased to turn the generator off permanently. It is currently powering eleven of our classrooms and has been very helpful, but has come with its issues. We will keep you posted, as there will be time during this upgrade that the school will have no power.

Tomorrow, the Year Six volleyball team will be competing in the district finals at Sportlink in Vermont South. We wish them all the best as they represent our school and look forward to hearing how they go.

Remember it is Walk to School Month. If you are able to let your children walk even a little way, it is great for their independence.

Well that is all from me for now.

Have a lovely weekend and I hope to see you all at 'The Little Mermaid'.

Glenda Harry
Principal

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

12th October



Olivia, Doris	FEW	Bonnie	3AT
Jeremy	FJM	Yianni	3SR
Chloe	FSK	Hannah	4DW
April	1BS	Caitlin	4KG
Vasiliki	1CP	Kitty, Renos	4KM
Zeike	1JF	Charlotte	4MA
Ryder	1ND	Jamie	5BB
Bruce	1TK	Ryan	5SW
Devon	2GJ	Sabrina	6HJ
Max	2TR	Cameron	6KH
Rurie	3AH	Cara	6SG

PAYMENTS/FORMS DUE AT THE OFFICE

- Healesville Sanctuary – Year 3 - \$33.00 – due 18th October
- 2019 Year 6 Hoodies – \$52.00 – Year 5 – due 19th October
- Mat Program – Year 6 - \$15.00 – due 19th October
- Mango Drive order forms – due 26th October
- Year 6 Camp Deposit (2019)– Year 5 - \$100.00 – due 26th October
- Disco – \$5.00 – due 2nd November
- The Rings Excursion – Year 2 - \$17.00 – due 7th November
- Afternoon Tea – Year 1 – \$5.00 – due 8th November
- Edendale Farm – Year 1 – \$24.00 – due 11th November
- Hands on Science Incursion – Year 6 - \$12.00 due 12th November
- Planks Incursion – Year 4 - \$7.00 – due 1st November
- Funfields and Graduation – Year 6 - due 1st December

WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH – 8th October to 2nd November

Walk to School Month is officially underway! Every October, VicHealth's Walk to School encourages Victorian primary school kids and their families to walk, ride or scoot to and from school every day. It's a great way for the whole family to increase their physical activity levels. Plus, it is a chance to enjoy more time with your kids and meet other local families along the way.

Part way is okay! If you can't walk the whole way, you could try parking the car a few blocks from your school and walk, ride or scoot the rest.

Last year, more than 140,000 students and their families took part in the program, walking the equivalent of two return trips to the moon. It's been great to see so many people take part already, and we would love to have even more of our community join in over the next few weeks.

Please visit www.walktoschool.vic.gov.au for more information.

OOBLECK DEMONSTRATION

On the last day of term, the dedicated students who submitted science videos were invited to be a part of a demonstration at Assembly. Unfortunately some students who submitted videos were on holiday, however the students who were at school did an excellent job at demonstrating what a non Newtonian fluid is. What is a non Newtonian fluid you may ask? As Sam Chorovski explained 'a non Newtonian fluid is between a solid and a liquid. It can change form when you apply pressure.'

To demonstrate this, the students had to run across the Oobleck to prove that when you apply pressure (your weight) the Oobleck turns into a solid, however if you hold it in your hands it will be a liquid like water because there is no pressure applied.

Once we had confirmed that Oobleck is a non Newtonian fluid, we hypothesised what would happen if someone just stood on the Oobleck. The audience were tied with some saying you would sink, some saying you would stay on top and others even saying you would sink and get stuck forever. Of course we had to find out and we decided that Miss Ogilvie was the perfect person to test our hypothesis. Whilst Miss Ogilvie was quite nervous, she should be commended for her bravery and courage to take off her shoes and stand in the Oobleck. It turns out if you stand in Oobleck you do indeed sink and it is really, really, REALLY tricky to get back out. Thank you to all the families who helped support their child to create the fantastic videos. I look forward to seeing even more video submissions next year!

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Balwyn Evergreen Centre, 45 Talbot Ave

TIMETABLE

Tuesdays	5:30-6:15pm	Kids (ages 5-8)
Thursdays	5:30-6:15pm	Juniors (ages 9-12)
Thursdays	6:30-7:30pm	Teens (13+)

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ECZEMA SCHOOL

Topic: Healthy minds and bodies
– psychology and eczema



A series of free educational sessions run by experts of eczema, to optimise health and care in eczema.

Date: Tuesday, 30 October 2018

Time: 6:20PM for 630PM

Where: Level 3

5 Arnold Street, Box Hill

(Building opposite Box Hill Hospital)



Guest Speakers:

Angela Marroncelli
Mental Health Nurse
Practitioner

“Eczema and Psychology”



A/Prof John Su
Head of Dermatology,
Eastern Health
“Update in Eczema”

Liz Leins
Dermatology Nurse
Practitioner, Royal
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Secure your tickets at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/eczema-school-psychology-and-eczema-tickets-50721600673>

Drinks and snacks provided!

Learn music here at school

Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard or guitar here at Orchard Grove Primary School.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

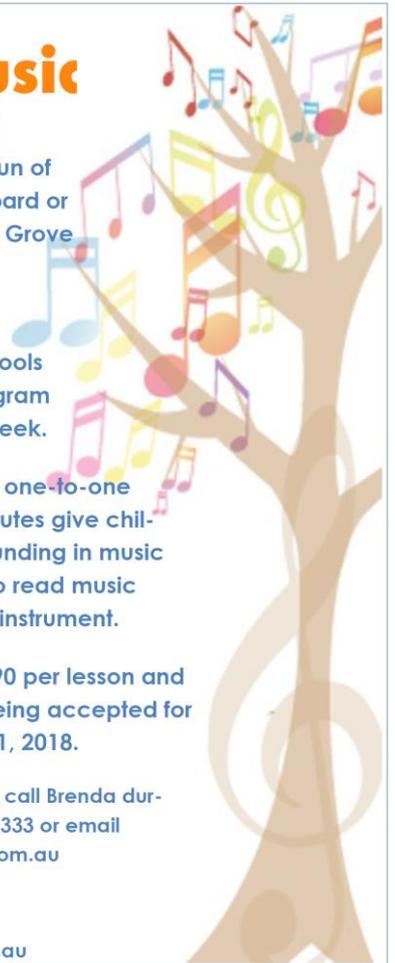
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