Welcome back to Term 3!

In particular, welcome to Ms Stephanie Walker who has taken over Year 1K from Ms Knight who will shortly be going on maternity leave.

Masterplan and International Baccalaureate: Parent Information Sessions

Please note the following dates and times and then shoot me an email confirming your attendance at one of the sessions:

**Thursday 18 August:**

Session 1: 9.00am
Session 2: 2.30pm
Session 3: 6.30pm

**Tuesday 13 September:**

Session 1: 9.00am
Session 2: 2.30pm
Session 3: 6.30pm

We encourage all parents to come along to one of our sessions to gain an understanding of how our new buildings will be developed in line with our International Baccalaureate: Primary Years Program curriculum. Each session will go for approximately 45 minutes and will be held in the Library.

To attend one of the sessions please email me at: mckinlay.rodney.d@edumail.vic.gov.au to confirm your place.
**Fundraising**

As you can see our new buildings look wonderful! In fact these pictures were used recently by the Deputy Premier and Education Minister, James Merlino in one of his recent presentations regarding funding for schools. A sure sign our new buildings are state of the art and in keeping with our natural environment. Unfortunately, however, air conditioning is not included in the government grants we have been given and our school is required to raise the required funds for the installation of air conditioners in each classroom and learning area.

The PFA have come on board and initiated a drive to raise funds to ensure we can air-condition our new school. The final costings of air conditioning is still being negotiated at the moment, however, we need to get started in raising a significant amount of money.

Of course, we are always grateful for special donations that will help kick us along but we are asking our whole school community to get behind the PFA and their fundraising drive to ensure our children can enjoy their wonderful new buildings in air-conditioned comfort.

If you have any queries regarding our fundraising drive please don’t hesitate to contact myself or Vanessa Cowley, our PFA President.

Finally, don’t forget to book in a time for your Three-Way Conferences which are coming up on Tuesday 9 and Wednesday 10 August. Information on how to book will be sent home shortly.

Rod McKinlay
Principal

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**Administration News**

We have had reported cases of Chicken Pox across the school. The incubation period for Chicken Pox is 7-16 days prior to the lesions showing. Exclusion from school is from when the blisters have dried or 5 days after the outburst.

**Year Book Stall**

Tomorrow, Friday July 15 at 3.15pm, outside the Roger Beech Hall, we will have a stall to sell past Year Books. We ask for a gold coin donation. Money raised will go towards our fundraising for air-conditioners. Available while stocks last!
**Calendar of Curriculum events**

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**Birthdays**

July

- Mitchell H
- Minhn T
- Suliman A
- Nikola A
- Kira S
- Qing z
- Joman M
- Tessa R
- Flynn B
- Abigail Y
- Theodore M
- James D
- Dylan W
- Alex C
- William L
- Anna S
- Isaac M
- Ivan Z
- Lachlan S
- Archie N
- Samuel T
- Titchiang K
- Jessica A
- Kalara M
- Jethro D
- Bella P
- Freddy X

**A new music theatre adventure for Parkhill Primary School**

**Hey FID!**

by

Curtis Bayliss

A new musical play

for Parkhill Primary School

performers & puppets.

David Vergelever, a Barkhill Primary School student, is accidentally shrunk to the size of an insect.

Meanwhile, Fid, a girl aphid leaf insect, suddenly grows to the size of a small human.

What will happen as they and their new communities cope with the change that lasts a day? HEY FID!!!
Urgent Fundraising Need!

It may be chilly outside at the moment but in the warmer months we all know that it can get incredibly hot here in Ashwood. What you may not know is that although Parkhill has been given a significant amount of money for our re-build, there is no provision for air-conditioning. This poses a significant problem for our school community as we need to fund the purchase and installation of air-conditioning units before we move into our beautiful new buildings!

The PFA and School Council are excited to announce that all money raised from our fundraising over the past year will be directed towards this goal and our focus for the remainder of this year will be:

‘How Cool Can We Make The School?’

Over the coming weeks you will see some icy thermometers appearing around the place as we set out to track our fundraising efforts. You will also see the PFA running a few extra fundraising events this year as we are going to do our best to raise this money. This will be a once off fundraising campaign and our hope is that the fundraising we undertake will tap into donations from the broader community and not just our immediate community here at Parkhill, as we know you already support our existing efforts very generously.

If you would like more information about this or have any great fundraising ideas please contact PFA President Vanessa Cowley on 0417 239 442 or PFA Secretary Wendy Douglas on 0420 657 007. Our next PFA meeting will be on Wednesday August 10th at 2:30pm – mark it in your diaries now – all are welcome!

Ladies Night

We are really excited to advise that our plans for the Ladies Night at 7:30pm on Saturday July 30th are coming together nicely. We can now advise that on the night we will have a fashion parade run by Silver Maple, cocktail making (and tasting), make up tutorials, express manicures, door prizes and raffles throughout the evening as well as much, much more. We are asking for a $10 donation at the door with everyone attending receiving a goody bag at the end of the night. You will also get a glass of champagne upon arrival, nibbles throughout the evening and you can also BYO drinks. It is shaping up to be an amazing night. All money raised on the night will go towards the ‘How Cool Can We Make the School’ campaign. So ladies let’s round up a few friends and make this a night to remember. To RSVP and let us know that you are coming please click here or go to http://evite.me/vwGyc36GSB

Models Needed!

Ladies – if you have ever felt the catwalk calling then this is your chance! For our Ladies Night we need a range of models (sizes 8-16) to participate in a fashion parade on the evening. If you think this could be you, please email parents.friends.secretary@gmail.com

PFA Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 10th August at 2:30pm in the meeting room near the office. All are welcome. If you have any questions about the PFA or attending meetings please contact PFA Secretary Wendy Douglas via parents.friends.secretary@gmail.com

School Disco – THANK YOU!

A massive thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and made the School Disco such an amazing success this year. The PFA committee would like to specifically thank the wonderful Helen Dimopoulos for coordinating yet another successful event and Michelle Pariat Mehta for stepping up and looking after the ever popular parents retreat. We really appreciate all of the effort the two of you (and your teams!) put into making it such a hugely successful event! See below for the full list of volunteers we wish to thank:

LADIES NIGHT BOOKINGS NOW OPEN!
SATURDAY JULY 30TH
AT 7.30PM

Join us for a night of cocktail making, a fashion parade, hair styling, great stalls and much more.

$10.00 donation at the door includes a glass of champagne and nibbles. BYO drinks

Bring your gold coins to join in the raffles and games held throughout the evening!

All proceeds raised will go towards our ‘How Cool Can We Make the School’ fundraising target.
The Camellia and Garden Show

“I MADE IT” COMPETITION

Saturday & Sunday, August 20 & 21

Children create a creature from things that grow, such as fruit, vegetables, flowers, leaves and grasses.

One creature per child is allowed in either Section D 20 [under 9s] or D 21 [under 13s].

A school may enter Section D 22, which is a Miniature Garden made in a foil roasting pan.

Entry is free and rules of the competition are on the back. Also available at www.waverleygardenclub.com

Entries must be at the Mount Waverley Community Centre, 47 Miller Crescent, Mount Waverley, by 11 a.m. on Saturday, Aug 20

Judging will be by Accredited Horticultural Judges, and prizes will be awarded.

So...get creating now. If it doesn’t look right, you can make vegie soup and try again!

Rules for Children's Exhibits at the Camellia & Garden Show on Saturday & Sunday, August 20 & 21

"I MADE IT" - A creature made from anything that grows, i.e., vegetables, fruit, flowers, foliage, grasses, etc.

D-20. Section for 8 years old and under.

D-21 Section for 9 to 12 years old.

Space Allowed 30cm x 30cm. 1st and 2nd Prizes Awarded

D-22 Schools Entry - "A MINIATURE GARDEN"

To be staged in a large foil roasting pan. Size up to 46cm x 34 cm. The garden should have a path and be designed with material of various heights, that should be fresh and clearly placed in the exhibit. Accessories are allowed but should be in scale and not dominate the exhibit. 1st and 2nd Prizes Awarded.

Exhibits to be judged by accredited Australian Horticultural Judges.

Entries must be phoned in to 9893 3247 by 8 p.m. Thursday, 18th August and must be staged at the hall by 11 a.m. Saturday, August 20th

Enquiries to Fay Wilkins 9802 9595.

Exhibits, prizes and prize cards can be collected after 4.15 p.m. Sunday.