Diary Dates and upcoming events ....

November
Fri 11 – JSC Book Swap Day
Fri 11 – Uniform Shop open – 9.00 am

Mon 14 - JSC meeting 8.30 am, Miss Fraser's Room
Mon 14 – Grades 2,3,4 Swimming program Session 2
Mon 14 – Mon 21 – JSC Food Drive Collection for DIVRS (see flyer attached for more info)
Wed 16 – Hot Food Day orders due today!
Fri 18 – Uniform Shop open – 9.00 am

Friday 18 November

ART SHOW!
Every student has a piece of artwork on display
Food, music, market stalls

December

Mon 21 JSC meeting 8.30 am, Miss Fraser's Room
Mon 21 – Grades 2,3,4 Swimming program Session 3
Thur 24 – Tech Expo
Session 1: 2.45-4.00pm, Session 2: 6.30-7.30pm
Fri 25 – Uniform Shop open – 9.00 am

Mon 28 - JSC meeting 8.30 am, Miss Fraser's Room
Mon 28 – Grades 2,3,4 Swimming program Session 4
Wed 30 – Hot Food Day – orders due by Wed 16 Nov

December

Wed 02 – Uniform Shop open – 9.00 am
LAST DAY OF TRADING FOR 2016

From the Principal….

ART SHOW
This year’s Art Show is on next Friday November 18th. We hope to see lots of families viewing our students’ spectacular art work exhibition and enjoying a great school community event.

On Monday Debbie, Carol, Mark and some parent helpers will begin the huge task of displaying the art work. Remember EVERY student will have a piece of art work on display. I have had the pleasure of seeing a lot of the children’s work as many of them have come to ask for my help in choosing the piece of art they will have on display. Our Grade 6 students have made some spectacular life-like owls.

The art work will also be on display on Sunday November 20th between 1 and 2pm.

SWIMMING PROGRAM
On Monday, the Grade 2, 3 and 4 students attended the first of the six swimming lessons at the Reservoir Leisure Centre. Most of this week’s lesson was spent organising the children in to groups based on their swimming ability. As always it was a logistical exercise to organise 300 students to get to the pool, change in to their bathers, have their lesson, get dressed and then get back to School. Thanks to Mark Smith, Vikki White and Fabian Harcus for organising the timetable and ensuring everything went to plan.

BABY NEWS
Congratulations to Ursula Vanderzee and her partner Chris on the birth of their beautiful little baby girl Isabella Rose Lucas. Isabella was born on Friday morning and mother and baby are doing well.

SOFTBALL
On Monday our boys’ and girls’ Softball teams competed in the regional softball finals. They had to play in some very difficult windy weather conditions however they all enjoyed themselves. Their remarkable skills and strategic game play saw both teams make it through to the grand finals.

The girls’ team were defeated by Epping PS however the boys won their game. The boys will now compete in the state finals at Jells Park Sport Centre. Congratulations and good luck to all of the players.

Thanks to the two coaches Mary Kalogianis and Karen Jones.

Regards,

Janet Paterson
Principal.

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**Grade 1 Report ....**

This term, the Grade One students are learning about minibeasts for our Science unit ‘Schoolyard Safari.’

The students have had the opportunity to explore the school yard looking for different minibeasts and we have been lucky enough to have some stick insects residing in the Grade One building.

The students have been able to observe the stick insects in their enclosure.

After observing the stick insects, we answered some questions about them such as:

- How do they move?
- What do they eat?
- What is their habitat?

There are many exciting things to look forward to in this unit including our wonderful excursion to La Trobe Minibeast Wonderland.

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**Grade 2 Report ....**

Week 6 started with a splash as the Grade 2 students took to the water with enthusiasm for their first swimming lesson. The excitement surrounding the swimming program has been building for weeks with students counting down the weeks and then days.

Our typing skills are continuing to increase in ICT and our key speed is getting faster in every lesson. We are finding many things that we can type including: stories, adventure cards and information reports.

“I liked swimming because I haven’t gone swimming for a long time.”  **Cooper**

“I thought swimming was fun because the teachers were funny.”  **Mion**

“I liked swimming because it is a sport and I like doing sport.”  **Daniele**
Grade 5 Report ....

This term in Science the Grade 5s have been learning about the three states of matter – solids, liquids and gases. Last week, we got to become hands-on scientists when we completed a workshop with Hands On Science. We conducted a variety of different experiments and learned a lot of new things!

“I learnt that carbon dioxide (CO2) blows candles out and oxygen (O2) makes fire grow.” Victoria

“My favourite experiment was when we made the chemical reaction and we put the bubble into a bottle!” Daisy

“I liked all of the experiments but the bubble experiment was best!” Brody

“I learnt that when you put warm air in a plastic bag it will rise to the roof slowly but when you put hot air in a plastic bag, it will float to the roof quickly.” Lucette

“I learnt that we breathe out carbon dioxide.” Zhifeng

Drama Report ....

We’re racing towards the end of the year and it’s ‘action stations’ for the Grade 4 students. They are rehearsing their end of year performance stories about Special Event Days. They have made up their own stories including scenes about going on holiday, birthdays, Chinese New Year, Christmas – the list goes on. The Grade 2 students are joining the Grade 4 students in watching the show, so the performers are doing their very best to make an entertaining performance.

In Grade 5 the students are also rehearsing their original stories for their end of year show. Each grade has a different focus for the stories including: Camping, Easter, T.V. shows and Halloween. The Grade 3 students are coming to watch, along with the rest of the Grade 5 students. There has been some interesting discussion about what is ‘too scary’ or ‘not funny’ for Grade 3 students, so the performers are keeping their audience in mind as they make their work.

The Grade 6 students are producing some inventive and informative videos about how to respond to Cyberbullying in their ICT projects. There was some insightful discussion about why people cyberbully in the first place, and the students are well informed about appropriate ways to respond to it, which is most encouraging. Students are choosing their own format for the videos including: an interview with experts, a news report, a rap song, dramatisation or a combination of the above.
Tech Expo …

Thursday 24 November
Location: Senior School, in the PAC

Session 1: 2.45 – 4.00 pm
Session 2: 6.30 – 7.30 pm

The Technology Expo will showcase the amazing skills our students have with using technology.

It is also a great opportunity to show our school community how the students and teachers are using the laptops and iPads in the classroom.

A group of our Grade 5 and 6 students are busy preparing mini presentations and will be available to demonstrate a wide range of apps and programs.

There will be two session times, the first session is from 2:45 to 4.00 pm and the evening session will run from 6:30 to 7:30 pm.

We hope to see lots of you there!

School Banking …
Next banking day:
Tuesday 22 November (Week 8, Term 4)

![Delphi Bank Logo]

2016 Term Dates:
Tuesday 4 October – Tuesday, 20 December

Wednesday 7 December
Curriculum Day – NO CHILDREN AT SCHOOL

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FREE Library Chess Tournaments!
SATURDAY 26/11/16: ELTHAM LIBRARY
10.30am – 2.30pm - Bookings: 9464 1864
ALL AGES AND ABILITIES WELCOME!!
Trophies and Medals awarded!
Mums and Dads encouraged to participate!
Nibbles and drinks provided

Q. How do I keep track of my Qkr! payments?
A. Itemized Qkr! receipts provide a record of purchase and are a convenient way to keep track of your Qkr! payments.

To view your receipts:
1. Open Qkr! and tap ‘Activity’.
2. Scroll down to ‘Order History’ and tap ‘Receipt’ to view your receipts.

Never lose a receipt: email selected receipts to your preferred email account:
1. Select the receipt you wish to email to yourself.
2. Tap on the mail icon at the top right of your screen
3. Tap ‘Send’ to email the eReceipt to your email address, or enter another email address, and tap ‘Send’.

Before and After School Care Program – Permanent and Casual Bookings / Cancellations –
Telephone / SMS - 0407 351 708
Next Meeting : Monday 14 November, 8.30 am, Miss Fraser’s room

Upcoming Junior School Council Fundraisers:

- **November 11th - The Great Book Swap**

  This **Friday 11th November** Preston Primary school is holding our first “Great Book Swap” to help raise money for Indigenous Literacy Foundation. Silvana is doing a great job organising it will be in on the Friday to Coordinate and run it in the PAC. Although lots of donations have been made we still need more!

  The gold coin donation is also very important as well as the book donation, because it’s the money that is going towards the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

  Please bring in any pre-loved books from home that you no longer want and are willing to donate. The books can be dropped off at the Office from now until 10th November. Children can also bring books into their classroom teacher.

  On **Friday each year level** will get a chance to go down to the Performing Arts Centre at the Senior School, where all the books will be displayed and all children will have opportunity donate a gold coin and choose a new one to take home.

  **Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend from 3.15 – 4.00 pm on 11 November.**

  **Why we are Doing It and Where the Money Goes ......................**

  Can you imagine not being able to read a newspaper, a road sign or directions on a bottle of medication? Sadly, this is a reality faced by many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders living in remote communities today.

  The literacy gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous children is significant – and the more remote the community, the larger the gap. Since 2009, ILF’s Book Supply program has delivered more than 150,000 new books to over 250 communities nationally. But we need your help to continue these efforts.

  The Great Book Swap is a fantastic way to celebrate reading locally, and raise much-need funds to buy books for remote communities. Schools, book clubs and all kids of organisations can host a Great Book Swap. All you need to do is swap one of your favourite books for someone else’s – for a gold coin donation.

- **Food Drive for DIVRS**

  From **Monday November 14th – Monday 21st November** Preston Primary is holding a Food Drive Collection for Christmas Hampers for the local organisation, DIVRS (Darebin Information, Volunteer & Resource Service).

  **Please see the attached flyer for full details of what foods are needed.**

  The last food drive we did for DIVRS we donated well over 1000 items and helped many children, single mothers and low incomes families in our very own community. The workers at DIVRS even said we were the biggest donating school they had ever had!

  This year we are going to try to do even better!

  The items that you can bring in include things that will not go off and have a long expiration date such as: Canned fruit, vegetables, dried beans, Dried fruit & nuts, pasta rice, sauces, Breakfast Cereals & Porridge. Not only is bringing food encouraged but also non food items such as Dishwashing liquid/powder, Laundry powder, Toothpaste & toothbrushes, soap, shampoo and conditioner.

  **Who are DIVRS?**

  Darebin Information, Volunteer & Resource Service (DIVRS) is a not-for-profit community organisation supporting over 4000 residents of Darebin City in emergency relief each year. Our services include provision of fresh foods, non-perishable food hampers, no-interest loans, volunteer placement, tax help and learn to drive program. The services that DIVRS provide aim to help community members during the toughest times and to assist people to move into a more secure position. The majority of emergency relief clients are single parents or single persons without children, and come from a wide range of cultural and linguistic backgrounds.
Icy Poles …..
Icy Poles will be on sale TOMORROW: THURSDAY 10 November and cost .60¢ each.

- Grades 2 to 6 can buy directly over the counter at their lunch times.
- Grades Prep and 1 – can pay for the remainder of term (6 weeks @ .60c = $3.60)
  Please send your payment into your child’s teacher in a CLEARLY MARKED envelope with your child’s name. If your child is not at school on the day unfortunately we cannot offer a refund or “hold icy poles over”.

If you would like to put your name on the roster please email Kate: katewood@netspace.net.au

Hot Food Day …..
Our Term 4 Sausage Sizzle is coming up on Wednesday 30 November.
Orders and payment due by Wednesday 16 November.
A copy of the order form is attached to this newsletter.

Twilight Market / Art Show
Friday 18 November
If you or anyone you know would like to have a stall please contact Silvana on 0438 783 909

CAKE STALL AT THE ART SHOW AND THE NIGHT MARKET
We are calling all amazing dessert makers in our school to join us for our Cake Stall during the Night Market, on November 18th. All proceeds will go to school. Sweets of any kind can be dropped off from 3pm on November 18th (day of the market) at the reception, where Lisa, Cath or Slobodanka will be there to accept your generous donations.

We will also need some helpers from 4pm, so if you are free, let us know (details for registration to volunteer will be available next week). Get your cookbooks off the shelves and start planning some amazing creations.

 Helpers at the Art Show …..
If you can help out at the Art Show on the sausage sizzle or the cake stall please log onto www.schoolinterviews.com.au and use booking id 225e8 to select the best time for you.
NEW SCHOOL FOR FAMILIES IN PRESTON

Families in Preston will soon have more choice for their children’s education, with the Andrews Labor Government reopening the former Preston Girls’ Secondary College as a new co-educational secondary school.

Minister for Education James Merlino and Member for Preston Robin Scott today visited the former school site to make the announcement in response to stage two of the Preston School Provision Review, released today.

The review found there will be future demand for secondary schools in Preston and surrounding suburbs, and recommended that planning start for a new co-ed secondary school at the former girls’ college site.

The school will be upgraded to increase its capacity and create modern learning facilities. Planning work will start immediately, with an opening date to be determined as part of the State Budget process.

In the meantime, the Labor Government will work with the City of Darebin on opportunities for the community to use the site temporarily.

The Government also released the Banyule School Provision Review, which found that between now and 2031 there is no requirement for additional government primary or secondary schools in Banyule.

It recommends that Charles La Trobe College’s primary school at the Olympic Village campus be expanded from its current P-4 model to a P-6 school, which will come into effect from term one, 2017.

The Banyule review also found that transport, accessibility, location and configuration of schools in Banyule needs to be improved to better meet the needs of local families.

The Labor Government will now work with council, planning and public transport authorities to improve bus, bike and walking routes to local schools, and support local schools to boost their capacity.

The Government has accepted all recommendations of both the Preston and Banyule school provision reviews, which are available at: www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/infrastructure/Pages/provisionreview.aspx

Quote attributable to Minister for Education James Merlino

“We’ve listened to local families and will create a new co-ed secondary school for Preston and improve access and opportunities at schools in Banyule.”

Quote attributable to Member for Preston Robin Scott

“Preston is a growing and vibrant community that deserves first-class schools, which we are acting on.”

Quote attributable to Member for Ivanhoe Anthony Carbines

“Expanding Charles La Trobe College’s Olympic Village campus to a full P-6 primary school, working with local schools to boost capacity, and improving public transport and partnerships between schools in Banyule will give families more choices for their children’s education.”

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Term 4 Hot Food Day!
Sausage Sizzle
Wednesday 30th November 2016

- Due to the large number of students to be catered for, there is a limit of 3 sausages and 1 drink per child.
- Students should bring their usual snack to eat at recess.
- Sorry, no late orders can be accepted and no refunds can be given if a child is absent

ORDER FORM
Please return your completed order and correct money (in a sealed envelope) to your child’s teacher by Wednesday 16th November 2016.

Student’s Name: ___________________________________________ Grade: _____

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Halal option: ☐ Coeliac: ☐ Vegetarian: ☐

Special food requirements please speak to your child’s teacher or the office.

Parent Helpers

We need some parent helpers on the day cooking & serving the sausages to the children at both sites. We need helpers from 10:15am until 1:00pm. If you’re able to help, even for a limited amount of time, please let us know. We will be meeting at the Milking Shed Kitchen at the Senior School.

Name: ___________________________________________

Mobile: _________________________________________

Email: _________________________________________
DIVRS and Need a Feed are working together to collect and distribute food to those who need it most in our community. Are you able to help?

- DIVRS is a not-for-profit community organisation supporting over 4000 local residents of Darebin City in emergency relief each year. Our services include provision of fresh foods, food hampers, no-interest loans, volunteer placement, tax help and learn to drive program.
- In 2015, Need a Feed Victoria was established. Within 6 months, Need A Feed Victoria collected over 3 tonne of food and care products and assisted over 350 families with care parcels.

We are more than happy to accept items listed below; for our end of year drives:

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**Non-food Items**
- Canned dog or cat food
- Dishwashing liquid/powder
- Laundry liquid/powder
- Toothpaste & toothbrushes
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Soap, liquid soap & sanitiser
- Nappies & baby wipes
- Deodorant
- Disposable razors, shaving cream & batteries
- Feminine hygiene products
- Hand & Body Lotion
- Lip balm & sunscreen
- Toilet Paper, paper towel & tissues
- Band aids & antiseptic cream

Additionally we are also happy to accept small treats and gifts for children for our end of year holiday hampers.
Before and After School Care Program – Permanent and Casual Bookings / Cancellations –
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The Great BOOK SWAP
Friday 11th November 2016
Performing Arts Centre, Senior School

Our School is holding a book swap to raise funds for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

Please bring your pre-loved books to swap and your gold coins to be able to take home other books.

Each book is one gold coin. Every child will have the opportunity to purchase books.

Books can be dropped off at the office from now until 10th November.

Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend from 3.15 - 4.00pm.

Should you have any queries, please contact Silvana 0438 783 909.

Many thanks, Silvana and the Junior School Council.

https://indigenousliteracyfoundation.secure.force.com/CICD_Fundraise?x=701A0000000t2MW

Art Show
And Twilight Market
Friday 18 November 5-8pm
Food Stalls, Market Stalls
Performances by the school bands
All children have a piece of artwork on display