

## JUNE

Instrumental Soiree	Mon 19 June
Chess tournament	Tue 20 June
After-school Chess Club last session for Term 2	Wed 21 June
Drum concert-recess	Thu 29 June
Reports home	Fri 30 June
Last Day Term 2 2.30 finish OSHC available	Fri 30 June

## JULY

First Day Term 3	Mon 17 July
Electives	Mon 24 July
Parent Teacher Interviews	Tue 25 July
Seussical the Musical Excursion	Wed 26 July
Electives	Mon 31 July
School Council Meeting 3.45pm	Mon 31 July

## AUGUST

Electives	Mon 7 Aug
Junior Hoopetime	Fri 11 Aug
Electives	Mon 14 Aug
BOOK WEEK Dress Up	Fri 18 Aug
BOOK WEEK Mon 21- Thu 24 Aug	
Electives	Mon 21 Aug
Curriculum Day- no school	Fri 25 Aug
Electives	Mon 28 Aug
Prep/Foundation 2018 Info Night	Tue 29 Aug

## SEPTEMBER

Full Dress Rehearsal & Photos	Mon 4 Sep
School Council Meeting 3.45pm	Mon 4 Sep
Senior Hoopetime	Fri 8 Sep
Electives	Mon 11 Sep
Chess Tournament	Tue 12 Sep
Kelly Sports Day (P-3)	Wed 13 Sep
District Athletics	Fri 15 Sep
Italian Day	Mon 18 Sep
Electives	Mon 18 Sep
Last Day Term 3 3.30 finish	Fri 22 Sep

## OCTOBER

First Day Term 4	Mon 9 Oct
------------------	-----------

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hi Everyone,

### EXTRA INTERSCHOOL SPORT ROUND

A new school in Doreen, St Paul the Apostle, will be visiting us next Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June to play a round of inter-school sport. They will play rounders, football and netball. This will be their school's first ever round of inter-school sport and by all accounts, their children are very excited to be in the first teams ever to compete for their school. It will be the same organisation as usual for us so parents are most welcome to attend.

### PORTABLE TAKEN TODAY

Our old portable classroom was taken today so now we will be focussed on establishing the area as a play space. We aim to cover the area in artificial grass with different ball game courts marked in the surface so we might be targeting this in future fundraising activities!

### TERM THREE ELECTIVES PROGRAM

Thank you to all those parents who have offered to take an elective for our grade 4/5/6 children next term. It's still not too late to add your name to our list so if you have a special skill you can share, please let Narelle Wain know. You can also offer to help someone else who is running one of the activities. Sessions will run from 9:15am to 10:15am on a Monday morning.

### DIVISION CROSS COUNTRY

On Wednesday morning, four of our children represented our school and the Sugarloaf District at the Division Cross Country event held at Bundoora Park. All our runners did a fantastic job against the top runners in our Division and we are proud of their efforts, well done Mia, Charlotte, Freya and Kye. Thanks also to those parents who were able to drive the children to and from the event.

### WEBSITE

Our school website is being regularly updated so if you haven't used it recently, please check it out. We value parent feedback so if you feel there is any additional information

we could use to improve the website please let us know.

Thanks again,

Laurie Murray



## OSHC News

It's the time of the year again when we celebrate the shortest day of the year with a lantern walk. We are combining the event with the Pre-School again this year. It was a fantastic celebration last year with lots of families bearing the cold. We will start with the BBQ if anyone likes to bring sausages and grill them for dinner. The Pre-School will make pumpkin soup and mulled wine.

Look forward to seeing many of you there.

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 5pm onwards at the basketball court. Bring lanterns if you can.**

Marita



### Parenting ideas article - **BEING A GRANDPARENT**

A number of studies have shown that children who spend considerable time with their grandparents have healthy self-esteem and do well in social situations. They provide unconditional love and complete acceptance.

Parents also have vital allies in the child-rearing process, in their own parents. Baby-sitter, bragger and someone to preserve family traditions and history, grandparents are unheralded but vital in the parenting process.

#### Finding your role

One size doesn't fit all when it comes to being a grandparent. Unlike parenting, your role is undefined. Here are some common grandparenting types. What type are you?

Surrogate parent raising your children's children either full-time or part-time. You have to be the disciplinarian and do much of the hard child-rearing work that parents traditionally do.

Spoiler grandparent who has all the fun and little of the responsibility that comes with being a parent. You get take your grandkids on great trips, and look after them overnight but enjoy the luxury of handing them back to their parents.

Working grandparent who still has a busy schedule but enjoys making time for your grandkids. You'd love to have your grandkids over more, but your life is busy and you have to fit kids around your schedule.

Globetrotting grandparent who is either on a trip or busy planning your next trip around Australia or overseas. Skype, Facebook and Facetime are your best communication friends.

Forever young grandparent who just loves to keep up with what's happening in your grandchildren's lives, using Facebook or any other way that will keep you up-to-date.

The concept of grandparenting is constantly being reinvented to fit the changing circumstances of your life and your family.

Whatever grandparent type you are, you're very special in your grandchildren's eyes. And children are extremely lucky to have grandparents who are close, loving and understanding.

#### Things have changed since you were a parent

There's no doubt kids are very different today than they were even ten years ago. They are a little more indulged and can have a sense of entitlement that wasn't common in past generations.

Child-rearing, discipline and schools have also changed dramatically as well, which can leave you scratching your head at times. The developmental stages of childhood and adolescence are constantly being blurred, so your grandkids tend to grow up quicker than kids of past generations.



### **JAM HOT MUSIC DRUM CONCERT**

**PERFORMANCE DATE: THURSDAY 29TH JUNE TIME:11.00am-11.40am**

VENUE: Kangaroo Ground Primary  
in the BER Building

**Enquiries please contact JASON STONEHOUSE**

**0419 872875 or**

**jamhotmusic@hotmail.com**





# KANGAROO GROUND RURAL FIRE BRIGADE 125<sup>TH</sup>

# Anniversary Ball

**Date:** Friday 4 August, 2017

**Venue:** Stones of the Yarra Valley,  
14 St Huberts Road, Coldstream.

**Time:** 6 pm pre dinner drinks followed by dinner  
at 7 pm in **The Barn** until 11 pm.

**Dress:** Black Tie/Lounge Suit.

**Cost:** \$125 per ticket. Includes pre-dinner drinks,  
three course meal and drinks (champagne,  
red/white wine and beer).

Dancing to the renowned band **The Bombastics**.

Transport to and from the venue is available by bus  
for an additional \$20 per person.

Accommodation is available in The Farmhouse at  
Meletos, book directly with the venue.

If you wish to purchase tickets for yourself and friends:

- email [kgcfa@bigpond.net.au](mailto:kgcfa@bigpond.net.au) with the names of all attendees and those wishing to use the bus.
- make payment of \$125 per person plus \$20 per person for those using the bus by either:
  - cheque made out to "Friends of Kangaroo Ground Rural Fire Brigade"
  - or electronic funds transfer to  
BSB 633-000, Account number 137497202.  
Please include your surname  
in the description.



**125<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**ELECTIVES PROGRAM**  
**GRADE 4-6 TERM 3, 2017**



Dear Parents,

During Term 3 we are happy to once again offer an Electives Program for children in grades 4-6. This has always been a very popular and beneficial program for our students. The program will commence on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July and run on consecutive Mondays for 2 Four-week blocks. Sessions will run between 9.15 and 10.15am. Please note there is no Elective session on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September due to concert dress rehearsals.

The dates are:

**Block 1**

July 24<sup>th</sup>

July 31<sup>st</sup>

August 7<sup>th</sup>

August 14<sup>th</sup>

**Block 2**

August 21<sup>st</sup>

August 28<sup>th</sup>

September 11<sup>th</sup>

September 18<sup>th</sup>

We are asking for parents or community members, who have an interest or skill, to run an activity group or assist in running a group. In the past, activities have ranged from those involving craft, sport, cooking, computers, woodwork, art, gardening, electronics etc. – the possibilities are endless! Each activity will run for 4 weeks. Students participate in two activities over the 8 weeks. It could be arranged for you to have two separate groups of students for 2 four-week blocks or only take one of the 4 week blocks depending on your availability.

If you are able to help, please fill out the form below and return it by **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May**, as we need to work out costs for the term planner and order materials if needed. Please come and see me if you have any ideas or questions. I will contact those interested to make further arrangements once the slips have been returned. Please note that it is preferable for anyone helping with electives to have a 'Working with Children Check'. Please contact the office to find out more about obtaining one of these.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Narelle Wain

**ELECTIVES PROGRAM 2017**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact No : \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to be involved in the electives program.

I am able to

- ☐ Run a group.      Activity : .....
- ☐ Assist with a group.

I am able to

- ☐ Run an activity or assist in an activity for one, 4 week block. **(Please circle which session you prefer)**  
**24<sup>th</sup> July – 14<sup>th</sup> August   OR   21<sup>st</sup> August – 18<sup>th</sup> September   OR   Either**
- ☐ Run an activity or assist in an activity for two, 4 week blocks.

I have a current Working With Children Check (Please supply a copy)

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No