



# NEWSLETTER

24 March 2016

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### **TODAY**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April  
Wed 20<sup>th</sup> – Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> April  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Last day of Term 1 ~ school finishes at 2.30pm  
First day of Term 2  
Grade 5 Ballarat/Bendigo Camp  
ANZAC Day Public Holiday  
After School Sporting Program (Tennis for 6 Tuesdays)  
Pupil Free Day  
Trivia Night

### Easter Holidays

We wish all our families at Wangaratta West a safe and happy Easter and holiday period. We look forward to seeing you all back for Term 2 on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April.

### Easter Bonnet Parade

Many thanks to those parents and grandparents who came along to school this morning to watch our school Easter bonnet parade. The children had a wonderful time making their hats and showing you all their masterpieces.

### Farewell

Today we farewell Catherine Coats who is starting maternity leave in preparation for the birth of her first child later next term. We wish Catherine and Simon all the best. Catherine will be replaced by Ana Howard who will take grade 1CO for the rest of the year and we welcome Ana to our school community.

### Communication with staff

Should you need to contact your child's teacher or any staff member during the school terms, all staff email addresses are on our website under the 'staff' heading or alternatively log on to Compass and your child's teacher's email address will be on your child's profile page.

### Cookie Dough

For those parents who have not collected their cookie dough orders, please collect them from the hall today before 3.00pm.

### Disco

Thank you to those Parents who helped organise and supervise the successful school disco held last Friday afternoon/night. The children had a wonderful time. Fantastic effort as we raised approx \$900.00.

### School Holiday Program

For those families enrolled in our Holiday Program, the program will be based in the Out of School Hours Care room between the library and Art room. Please remember to sign your children in and out of the program. The program is open from 7am to 6pm.

### Grade 5 Bendigo/Ballarat Camp

A reminder that the camp instalment payments of \$70 are due on the following dates today (Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March), Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April and the final payment due on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

### ICT forms

Please ensure that you have read, signed and returned your child's Cyber Safety ICT form to the office by Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April to allow your child (Grades 3-6 only) access to their ipad. If we do not have a signed form, NO ipad will be allowed.

## IPads

The one to one program for Ipad will be introduced to Grades 3-6 early term 2. Ipad are being introduced to enhance teaching and learning and provide a balance between book work and technology.

Any further enquiries regarding the one to one ipad program, please contact Xavier Norden.

We thank those parents who attended the Cyber Safety Information Session on Tuesday night and hope that you gained some valuable information in regards to keeping your children safe while online.

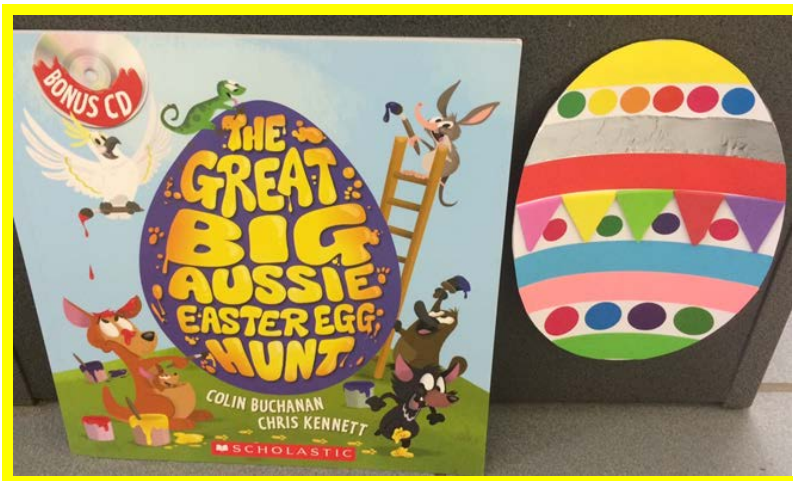
## Prep 2015 Photobooks

For those parents of last year's (2015) preps who expressed an interest in purchasing a photobook of their prep year, **please order and pay \$25 per book to Tania in the office (by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April)** so we can then place the order.

## Parent's & Friends

### MOTHER'S DAY STALL

Each year Parents and Friends hold a Mother's Day stall providing students with an opportunity to purchase small gifts for their Mums. We are now seeking donations of items suitable for this stall. If you are crafty we welcome your contributions but if not, we are asking for the following items which our group will package nicely: nail polish, hand cream, shower gel, bars of soap and other cosmetics, socks, jewellery, acrylic wine glasses, wrapped chocolates or lollies (e.g. favourites.) Wrapping materials such as cellophane, bags, and ribbons will also be appreciated. If every family donated one item it would help make this stall a success. Please leave any donations at the office.



## PLAYGROUP FUN!!

Yesterday we read "The Great Big Aussie Easter Egg Hunt" by Colin Buchanan and Chris Kennett and then we decorated our own Easter eggs.

Have a great Easter and a lovely break.



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