NEWSLETTER

Term 2
June 15th, 2016

Exceptional Educational Experiences

DATES TO REMEMBER

Cluster Italian Day @ Moyhu  Thu 16th June
P-3 Emotional Literacy presentation@3pm  Mon 20th June
Whole school bike ride  Tues 21st June
School Council Meeting – 7pm  Tues 21st June
‘Space Night’ (subject to weather)  Wed 22nd June
Jump Rope for Heart demo  1pm Fri 24th June
End of Term – 2:30pm finish  Fri 24th June
End of term OSH finishes at 5:00pm  Fri 24th June

VACATION CARE  8am-6pm  Mon 27th June–Fri 8th July
Bookings call Pam on 0448 298 467

Term 3 starts  Mon 11th July
Ski Camp (4-6’s) at Falls Creek  Wed 27th – Fri 29th July
Somes Camp (selected 5-6’s)  Tues 9th–Wed 17th Aug

Emotional Literacy – A.L. (amazing literacy)
There will be a parent presentation and information session about the Emotional Literacy (A.L. – Amazing Literacy) class on Monday 20th June @ 2:45pm.

Parents of Foundation to year 3 students – Please return your post-program survey ASAP if you haven’t already done so.

HOME READING

Congratulations 25 nights home reading!
Seamus

Congratulations 50 nights home reading!
Corrie

Congratulations 75 nights home reading!
Angus, Mike, Toria

Congratulations 100 nights home reading!
Cope

Congratulations 125 nights home reading!
Viveka, Summer, Darcy

‘THUMBS UP’ AWARD
The Principal’s ‘Thumbs Up’ Award recipients are students that have been seen doing great things at our school. The latest recipients are:

Ollie: For his great help in assisting his classmates with computer based activities.

Daphne: For getting back on track with her Home Reading record.

Lachlan: For his positive ‘will do’ attitude as a grade 6 leader.

HOT LUNCHES
Thank you to Glenda & Geoff and Rosie for the Hawaiian sausage casserole and fruit salad & yoghurt, as well as Sammy and Jo. F. for the tasty Chicken & Pesto pasta and Toblerone mousse & strawberries.

Remember, you can bring a receipt and claim back expenses for providing the hot lunch. Just bring the receipt to Mark or Pam in the office.

EVERY DAY COUNTS – school attendance
Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.

Remember...
* Phone the school 5729 8286,  
* Phone or text the principal 0428 298 286,  
* email whitfield.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au  
* or supply a note before or after the absence

ITALIANO DAY – Tomorrow
Tomorrow (Thursday 16th June), the whole school and cluster will be participating in an Italian Day. Students will be participating in a range of Italian activities which will culminate in an Italian Performance of “Mission Gnocchi”

The bus will be leaving school at 9:10am and returning to school at 3:20pm. Students need to bring snacks, lunch (no food to be heated) and a drink bottle. Students can dress up in the Italain coulors (red, White and Green) if they would like!

All school newsletters are available on the
NEW LOOK school website;  
www.whitfieldps.vic.edu.au
Whole School Community Engagement in planning – May 2016
As mentioned in the last newsletter – we sent home a ‘sticky notes’ page for you to fill. As of today we only have 3 returned! We would love to hear from every family (another 20!). I have enclosed another form in case you have misplaced it. We would like these back by the end of the week if possible. Thank you 😊

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER – Much shorter newsletter today (much shorter week!), I am working on a big Community Newsletter to mail out to the community before the end of term.

BIKE ED
We have planned a Bike Ed Ride for Tuesday 21st June. The weather forecast is not great at the moment (but a lot can happen in a week!) so I will make a decision on Monday whether it will be postponed or will go ahead. The permission form today has an alternative date of Tuesday 19th July. If it is postponed then bike can be collected for the holidays (or they can be left at school – whichever suits you best, but we will need them back at school on Monday 18th July for safety check). Please return your permission form by Friday (it will cover for both dates). Please contact me at the school if you can help on the day (either riding or vehicle/trailer support). Thank you 😊

COMMUNITY NOTICES
Planning meeting - King Valley Challenge/Kitchen Garden Fundraiser
The King Valley Challenge is a multi-sport event, held at Lake William Hovel, October 8th 2016. As part of the event, the KV Challenge partners with the King Valley Schools Kitchen Garden to present a 6km fun-run walk as a fundraiser for the Kitchen Garden program. Last year we raised $1800 - this year we are hoping to explore options to increase the funds raised even more. It has been a fun day of fitness, enjoyed by all participants and helpers.

It is time for some advanced planning - to promote good health and participation (and thus raise $ through entry fees etc) we have to get the word out early and give opportunities for good health efforts and training.

If you are interested in joining the group of parents to coordinate this fundraiser, please email or call Kate Gilson 57298033 yangoorainthevalley@hotmail.com.

MOYHU OCCASIONAL CARE

MOYHU & District Preschool Inc.
NERPSA

Space Night
We have pencilled in a ‘Space Night’ at the school for Wednesday 22nd June. This is very dependent on weather, as in if it is cloudy we won’t be able to see anything! We will let you know next week.

MOYHU OCCASIONAL CARE

Moyhu Occasional Child Care (OCC) is a Non-Government supported Program, which runs a professional child care service (0 to 5yrs) on a Friday, during school terms, from 9am until 2pm.

Moyhu OCC is currently URGENTLY seeking enrolments to enable the program to continue to run, as they are currently running at a financial loss and have been for the last 12-18 months.

The service requires 15 children to run independently; at a minimum 10 children are required to break even with the additional funding currently received from NERPSA. Currently Moyhu OCC has only 8 children enrolled permanently. As parents are not required to pay when their child does not attend, this drops our average attendance and income even lower. We need at least 4 more permanent enrolments to ensure viability of this service.

The Moyhu and District Preschool Committee will have to make the extremely hard decision to close the program if, by the end of Term 2, June 24th 2016, the permanent enrolments do not exceed 10 children.

The alternative is to fundraise to meet the shortfall in income generated by enrolments, which may be up to or in excess of $5000 per year.

If you have an interest in enrolling in the program, or can help in any other way please contact Kerrie Evans - Moyhu OCC Booking Officer on 03 5727 9338.

Please spread the word that Moyhu OCC is in need of valued community support to keep its quality service alive and open!!!