FROM THE PRINCIPAL

THE TERM THAT WAS

Term three has been yet another very busy and stimulating term at Coburg North Primary. Below are the main highlights of the term.

- Two school council meetings
- Student competition ‘Share Your Dreams’
- Prize Fish and Chip lunch
- Parent Opinion Survey
- Principal for the Day – Andrew McKinnon
- 4 Farmers Markets
- Maze Opening
- Tree plantings Days for grades
- Community Tree Planting day
- Athletics Sports
- Bike education
- Grade 1 dinner
- Peer Support Program
- Kim Lardner visit
- Pyjama day
- Enviro Week
- New portable deposited at the school
- Father’s Day stall
- Prep Father’s Day breakfast
- Appointment of Assistant Principal for 2015
- School Concert ‘Show Me The Money”
- Student Led Conferences
- Renovation of canteen commenced
- World of Maths incursion
- Special Lunch Days
- Footy Day

I would like to wish everybody a happy and safe holiday and I will see you all on the 6th of October for another productive and fun term.

Helen Zull
STUDENT LED CONFERENCES
The Student Led Conferences held on Tuesday and Wednesdays evening were well supported by our families. The students have spent a considerable amount of time compiling their portfolios and practising their presentation. It was lovely to walk around the classrooms and see students engrossed in conversations with their families about their learning. Could families who were unable to attend on these evening please ensure they make a time with their child's teacher to have a conference.

MUSIC NEWS
I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who helped with many aspects of the school concert. I won’t name you all in case I miss someone but you all know who you are. We couldn’t have done all the prop, costume and music preparations without you to make the night a success. Your efforts and enthusiasm are greatly appreciated.

Now that the School Concert is over and all the props and costumes are being put away, our normal music program resumes. Choir rehearsals, which were suspended over Term 3 will start again in Term 4.

Junior Choir (grades prep-3) meets at lunchtime on Wednesdays and the Performance Choir (grades 4-6) at lunchtime on Thursdays. In Term 4 Junior choir will perform at one of the local Kindergartens and I am currently talking to some local shopping centres with an eye to having the Performance Choir singing some Christmas music out in the community. The school rock band will also perform again in Term 4. Keep an eye out for some student performances at the Art show opening as well.

Also, the Parents band will be playing at an upcoming Farmers Market. Any interested parents can join, and currently we need a Bass player. Contact me at sharpe.stephen.s@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Stephen

CURRICULUM DAY REMINDER
With the excitement of the school holidays approaching, I have forgotten to remind parents that on Friday the 10th of October the school is having a Pupil Free Day. (This is the first week back from holidays) The program will operate on this day if enough children require the service. The cut off for bookings is Wednesday the 8th of October. A minimum of 15 children is required.

You may email me with your bookings over the holidays at cilia.kerryn.k@edumail.vic.gov.au

Thank you

Kerryn Cilia

Coordinator
Out of School Hours Care : Coburg North Primary School 9354 998
Dear Parents,

A component of AusVELS and our Physical Education program is our swimming program, which is quickly approaching. The program caters for children of all ages and abilities. Learning to swim competently, and learning water safety techniques, is extremely important for your child’s future safety. Children who have very little experience in and around water, those who can’t swim right through to confident swimmers, are expected to attend. **Due to the increase in enrolment, this year’s program will be for grade prep to grade four.** Grade five and six students, who are not confident swimmers, will also be included.

Our swimming venue for 2014 will remain at Elite Swimming, which is a reasonably new pool a short walk from Coburg North, in Attercliffe Ave. The swimming lessons are taken by experienced, fully qualified, swimming instructors. The children work in small groups and class teachers accompany the group and assist with supervision. This is an eight day, intensive program from Monday to Thursday for two consecutive weeks. Please understand that once the program starts Elite Swimming do not refund money if your child misses lessons.

Numbers for swimming will be limited to **120** places so it is important that your response is in early to ensure a place for your child.

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<td>(Your child’s lesson time will be sent home before 17th November)</td>
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Due to the limited number of places available you **MUST** send a deposit of **$10** (full payment if you prefer) to the school office before **Friday 17th October**. The cost of the program is **$65**. Forms will be sent home with your child when we return in Term 4.

Thank you

Lyn Evans
2014 DISTRICT ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

On Friday 5th September students from Coburg North competed in the District Athletics Championships at Harold Stevens Athletics Track in Coburg. The competition involved 10 other schools representing the Coburg District. Coburg North was the second smallest school competing and finished in 7th position, with a squad of only 35 students. This was an outstanding achievement as some schools have hundreds more students than we do! I am extremely proud of every child and I congratulate them on their dedication, fitness, team spirit, personal behaviour, performance, determination and great sporting behaviour. It was a pleasure to see every child “be their best” and give everything they possibly could. There were so many “personal best” performances on the day which, for me, was the most satisfying result of the entire day. The children who competed were: Sultan, Konstantine, Max.P, Kamal, Oscar, Jasmine, Sayo, Amelia.P, Nadine, Stefanie, Izobell, Amalia, Eva, Aya, Reggae, Amy, Metin, Sylvie, Jem, Oliver, Alex, Browen, Malik, Ayache, Naomi, Abby, Claudio, Saxon, Artemis, Sophie, Ayat, Allae, Mahammed. T, Lauren and Anthony.

I would also like to thank all of the parents and relatives who came and supported our children. Thank-you to the staff: Danielle, Tim, Nikki and Kate (SEDA student) for their help and assistance on the day as well as the staff back at school for their understanding with timetable changes, etc. Thanks also to Debb and Stephanie for their fantastic work keeping tabs on permission notes, money and last minute phone calls.

WELL DONE EVERYONE!!

Although there were many outstanding achievements unfortunately only the first and second place getter in each event progresses through to the first level of Divisional Championships. These will be held on 8th October and the 5 successful athletes are Amalia, Sayo, Metin, Nadine and Browen. Good luck to all these students!

Lyn Evans
LITERACY AND NUMERACY WEEK MATHS INCURSION.

The **World of Maths** incursion was a great success and enjoyed by all. The presentation of fun and educational, hands-on, problem solving activities that came to our school was perfect for student participation.

It was fun, interesting and challenging – Jack 4/5.

It was very interesting and really helpful – Severin 4/5.

It was good fun and I learnt a lot – Metin.

PEER SUPPORT

WEEK 8

In this week’s final session of the Peer Support module *Keeping Friends* the children participated in a board game, reinforcing all of the concepts and skills that have been learnt over the past 7 weeks. They were reminded of the qualities of a good friend, the skills needed to maintain friendships and to make new friends. Each Peer Support group had the opportunity to celebrate what they have learnt and the new friendships and connections they have made.
RESPONSIBLE STUDENT AWARDS

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<td>Personally responsible - as much work as possible</td>
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<td>Whole class</td>
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<td>Communally responsible - safe &amp; comfortable</td>
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<td>The students who attended the school concert</td>
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<td>Communally responsible - as much work as possible</td>
<td>for their patience and outstanding behaviour backstage during both the rehearsal and concert.</td>
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WE INVITE YOU (OUR PARENTS) TO SHARE YOUR DREAMS FOR OUR SCHOOL’S FUTURE … AND MAYBE WIN A FANTASTIC PRIZE

We were amazed by the mind-blowing response to the kids homework challenge last school holidays (90+entries), and now it’s time for our fabulous parents to step up to their very own holiday homework challenge! (don’t worry, parent homework won’t become a regular event)

Your homework: to tell us your dreams for Coburg North Primary School and the key stepping stones to realise them. Your entries could draw upon ... what you’ve seen on your travels, surfing the web, or maybe you’ve heard something good that’s happening in a nearby school. Send in your list of dreams and ideas, or if you like getting really creative, share a poem or story.

An entry form for the Share Your Dreams homework challenge was sent home with your child last week. Another copy will soon be available from the school website. Entries close 10th October and prize winners will be notified the week after.

Your dreams and idea’s will contribute to the School’s first ever strategic plan to guide the school’s development through to the 2020’s. This plan will ensure our collective efforts are focused on the things that will make the biggest difference for both our kids and the local community.

After the parent’s homework challenge, our School Council will be hosting a workshop for all interested parents and teachers in the School Hall on 25th of October from 1pm to 3.30pm (BBQ lunch included). In this workshop, we will prioritise the key areas for focus developed from the ideas contributed by our kids, parents and teachers. To find out more or RSVP for the workshop call Benjy Lee, on 0421 557 699, or email shareyourdreamscnps@gmail.com
COBURG NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

WILL BE HOLDING AN ART SHOW ON

FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER, 2014.

This will be a showcase of the year’s work in Visual Art and all students will have several art works on display. We are also hoping to include a school community section where we hope parents, friends etc. will exhibit any works of art, of which they are particularly proud. Now is the time to start creating! Early in Term 3 we will be asking for expressions of interest for exhibiting in the community section of the show. More information about the show will be provided in the coming weeks.
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Do you know child dental care can now be bulk billed?

140,000 children were treated in over 80 public clinics across Victoria in 2012–2013

- The new Commonwealth Child Dental Benefits Schedule allows for up to $1000 basic dental treatment over a 2 year period for eligible 2–17 year olds
- 2–17 year olds are eligible if they receive Family Tax Benefit A or other relevant Australian Government payments
- Treatment is bulk billed via Medicare

For more info visit humanservices.gov.au

In all Victorian public dental clinics
- Eligible children pay $0
- No out of pocket costs
- No waiting list

What dental services are available?
- Check-ups
- Fissure sealants
- Cleaning
- Fillings
- X-rays
- Extractions
- Root canals

Excludes orthodontic or cosmetic dental work and services provided in a hospital operating theatre

Contact your local dental clinic

Merri Community Health Services
11 Glenlyon Road Brunswick
Phone: 9387 6711
State Library of Victoria

WHAT’S ON
Children & family fun

29 September – 9 November
For ages 5 to 12
School holiday workshops – Get animated!
Learn techniques and tricks of the trade from animation professionals, and take home your own creation.

Hand-drawn animation with Nathanael Scott
Monday 29 and Tuesday 30 September

Claymation with Fiona Dalwood
Thursday 2 and Friday 3 October
For ages 5 to 8, 10am–12pm, cost $30
For ages 9 to 12, 1–4pm, cost $40

Children's Week workshops
Celebrate Victoria’s diversity during Children’s Week.
Children will work with acclaimed author and illustrators Kylie Dunstan and Trace Balla to recreate where they live. Marvel at the similarities and differences as we discover what is important in other children’s homes.
Saturday 18 and 25 October
For ages 5 to 8, 10am–12pm
For ages 9 to 12, 1–3pm
Free event

The Story Sessions
Meet Australia’s best loved authors and illustrators.
Join us for the inaugural Story Sessions with Leigh Hobbs, one of Australia’s favourite children’s authors. Find out how Leigh creates characters like Old Tom, and get hands on creating a giant collaborative storybook.
Sunday 9 November, 11am–1pm
For ages 8 to 12
Free event

More Information and bookings
Phone: 03 8664 7099
Email: inquiries@slv.vic.gov.au
Book online: slv.vic.gov.au
Melbourne City College of Football
Annual Football Trials

Thursday September 25, 2014 at 2 pm - 4 pm

The Melbourne City College of Football at John Fawkner College gives students like Zac Hilmi and Morgan Filer an opportunity to live their football and academic dream.

If you, like Zac and Morgan, have the same aspirations why not register to be part of the Melbourne City College of Football Annual Trials on Thursday September 25, 2014.

It’s a day where prospective students have a chance to be assessed by Melbourne City FC coaching staff, learn more about the program and find out how they can become part of it in 2015.

Primary and secondary students, male and female of all football abilities throughout Victoria are invited to attend the clinic.

How to REGISTER ...

If you would like to attend the trials
REGISTER NOW AT
MELBOURNE CITY COLLEGE OF FOOTBALL ANNUAL FOOTBALL TRIALS REGISTRATION

To team managers and teachers ...

If you are a team manager of a junior football team or a teacher at a local school receiving this newsletter, it would be greatly appreciated if you could forward it to parents of students you know are passionate about football and would like the opportunity to trial.

If you have any questions or require further information please contact:

Kieran McDowell - Melbourne City College of Football program at John Fawkner College coordinator on (03) 9359 1166
Coburg Leisure Centre

Trivia Night

7.30pm, Friday, 3rd October, 2014
Olympic Hotel, 31 Albert St, Preston.

Tickets $20 per person, up to 10 people a table.

Silent Auctions, Raffles, Door Prizes and More.
All raising funds for our Open Doors Program.

To book tickets, or to donate goods or services,
please see reception or call or email Kathryn on
9354 3504 or kathryn.walters@ymca.org.au
www.facebook.com/events/888598171169776/