

NUMBER 7

17th MARCH 2022

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

VISION To provide a positive school environment that allows every individual the opportunity to flourish.



REMINDERS FOR WEEK EIGHT: TERM ONE 2022

Friday March 18 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Casual Clothes Day Flourishing Friday 2:30pm
Monday March 21 st	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resilience Project – Empathy and kindness
Tuesday March 22 nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
Wednesday March 23 rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Council AGM 7pm
Thursday March 24 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Community 2:30pm Assembly 3pm
Friday March 25 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rural Athletics

EXCURSION

'The purpose of this excursion is for the students to have fun with their mates (flourishing) while exploring our beautiful local environment'.

Mission Accomplished.



RESILIENCE PROJECT – PARENT WEBINAR

I was able to attend last Wednesday's Webinar 'Discovering Resilience' with Hugh van Cuylenburg. It made me feel very proud that we are running this program in our school.

If you were unable to attend, you can use the following link to view a recording of it.

Meeting Recording:

https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/ECCE4Ypuf_XP0XoFzx8BMVAj6ds4mFvaVnZsEhNOBgDjDjv6Tcnozdt6U5XTtOuM.ZUz2ywDZdanSWkW

Please note, this link will expire at midnight on **24th March**.

CASUAL CLOTHES DAY – Tomorrow

Tomorrow we encourage all students to come in casual clothes. Clothes that they feel comfortable in. I will be wearing my Tye-Dye shirt from last year and a pair of silly socks. Gold coin donations are welcomed.

This year we will be supporting the local Variety Club Bash group. All money raised goes to supporting kids who are sick, disadvantaged or have additional needs through Variety – the Children's Charity Victoria.

Apologies to many of our Grade 6 students as they will miss this day due to visiting Portland Secondary College.

RURAL ATHLETICS – Friday March 25th Nelson Park

- Parents are responsible for transporting their children to & from the Sports.
- Students to be at Nelson Park by 9.00am for a 9.15am Start.
- Programme attached to today's newsletter
- Students will need to bring their own food and water for the day.
- Please note that there will be **NO CANTEEN/TEA/COFFEE/FOOD for sale for parents or students.**



NOTICE FROM BOLWARRA HALL COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

In regard to cars parking on the nature strip in Robertson's Road out the front of the tennis courts and Hall. It has been brought to our attention from the Council that any parking on the nature strip will incur an infringement notice from the rangers.

EXTRA-CURRICULA TERM 1 DATE 2022

March	Friday	18 th	-	} Casual Clothes Day Flourishing Friday
	Wednesday	23 rd	-	
	Friday	25 th	-	Rural Athletics
	Wednesday	30 th	-	BMX Show 10:00am
April	Friday	1 st	-	Flourishing Friday
	Tuesday	5 th	-	District Athletics
	Wednesday	6 th	-	Parent/Teacher Interviews 4pm - 6pm
	Thursday	7 th	-	Parent/Teacher Interviews 8am – 6pm
	Friday	8 th	-	Last Day of Term 1

LEE GIBBONS.....PRINCIPAL

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Hannah and William Rethus who both turn 12 on Saturday.

BOOK CLUB- ISSUE 2 due back by tomorrow, Friday, 18th March



EASTER RAFFLE

DONATIONS:- Thank You to those families who have brought in their donation of an 'Easter Themed' item for our raffle..i.e. Easter Eggs, Easter colouring books, small Easter toys etc. Donations can be brought to the office.



Chaplains' Corner – Introducing some realities of life

Most families work hard to make life enjoyable for their kids. These efforts may include kicking the footy in the backyard, or cooking up a storm in the kitchen, or the take away treat, or pitching the tent in the bush. Add in horse riding, trying the surf at Cape Bridgewater, walking the dog, or just hanging out with each other. The point is that families have all sorts of ways of spending time together.

But there's one activity which mums and dads can easily overlook. And not because they mean to. It's about what's involved in running the family, paying the bills, balancing the budget, filling up the car, planning ahead, whatever it takes to stay afloat. Sure, there's not much point in enlisting the help of the really young ones. But by the end of primary school, it's a wise move to have introduced the family on how to survive in the real world. We don't want to breed young adults who have no clue about financial responsibility. So, a few thoughts:

- **Talk about the bills that arrive for your attention** – Help the gang to understand that house lights left on, or hot water for long showers all have to be paid for. It's basic education. Show them the rates bill that's arrived, or the electricity account, or the water rates.
- **It's not about being miserly** – It's about helping the kids get the picture of what's required in running the home. It's about spending carefully so that there is still some finance left for the latest family surprise.
- **Make good use of filling up the car** – When you haul into the servo, get them to check the price per litre. And then ask them to watch how much you've put in and check out the final cost. The family taxi puts a hole in every family budget. But we can't do without it. It's not a luxury.
- **Make the most of stocking up the pantry** – Get their help to create the list of what's needed most. What are we about to run out of? Writing up the shopping list can become an enjoyable and instructive exercise. Why leave it to mum or dad to do the hard work?
- **And turn the shopping trip into a classroom exercise** – Armed with the list, set the task of finding the cheapest items in the store, especially those on sale. It's not just cutting corners to go for the cheaper variety. Rather it's a way of keeping some cash for other costs.
- **Don't throw away those special sales brochures** – They turn up at least weekly in our local paper and in the mass circulation papers too. Instead of throwing them into your recycling bin, get the gang to see if the food or other household items you need are on sale. Make it a search and save project.
- **It's a good idea to teach the kids to expect the unexpected** – The tyre that's gone flat. Or the washing machine which doesn't wash any more. Or the heater that won't heat. Every home has equipment which is great while it all works. So show your kids how to deal with unexpected breakdowns.
- **Do more than simply hand out pocket money** – One great way to teach the value of money is to help your child save for something special of their own choice. Don't fall into the trap of dishing out the required finance. As young adults they'll still be expecting you to keep up with the handouts.

Do all you can to train your herd in the wise use of finance. Help them understand in positive ways that so much of what we do has a price tag. There's no need to be heavy handed. Kids who've grasped that life has its costs which have to be met have mastered a great lesson. The last kind of person you want to raise is the one who insists that others owe them the good things of life. They become a drain, and a pain in the neck.



PORTLAND AUSKICK CENTRE

WHERE: HANLON PARK, PORTLAND, VIC

WHEN: WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

DATES: APRIL 27TH TILL JUNE 29TH (10 SESSIONS)

TIME: 5:00 PM—6:00 PM

COST: \$89.00 INCLUDES AUSKICK PACK , ALL SESSIONS TERM 2 , 2022

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