Hi everyone…

37 SLEEPS UNTIL THE ART SHOW & FETE

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS - LUNCH ORDERS: You should have received information (hard copy or email) on Tuesday about a Lunch Order service that School Council is trialling from today, for the rest of this year. 3rd Little Duck is a company that takes student lunch orders (online or by placing the order in a box at the school office by 9am) and then delivers the food to the classroom prior to lunchtime. The service will be available every Thursday, except in a week where APPA has offered a special lunch day (sausage sizzle 22nd August, for example). The menu offered meets the Healthy Food Guide recommendations. For more information, please go to: www.3rdlittleduck.com.au

The company will make a small donation to the school, based on the number of orders. PLEASE NOTE: only items on the Appin Park menu may be purchased using the service. Other schools have differing menu choices. ALSO: please ensure your child knows what you have ordered on their behalf so that they are not confused when the order arrives. There are order forms available at the office if you do not wish to do this online.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY: 45 families were selected at random to receive a 2014 Parent Opinion Survey form. These were posted out last Friday. If you are one of the lucky recipients, please take the time to fill in the survey and return it to school in the envelope provided. We value your feedback. The survey forms are returned to the Department of Education, where they are processed and our results are compared to all other state schools in Victoria. The school receives the data sets and this information becomes part of the data that School Council uses when reviewing the school's performance across a number of ‘scorecards’. A Freddo Frog awaits the child/ren returning the completed survey to school by Thursday, 7th August.

WORKING BEE - GARDEN CLEAN UP, SATURDAY 10am -12noon: This Saturday we hope you can join us to do some weeding, sweeping, soft-fall-spreading snipping and pruning (weather permitting). Please BYO secateurs, rake, shovel, broom, whipper-snipper etc. Our main aim is to get rid of the weeds in our garden beds and in the places the mower won’t go, to prune the roses/shrubs and clean up around the drive-through and sandpit area. This is a great way to do your bit for the school and to meet other families. The children have a good time catching up with their friends and having the playground to themselves!

ZONE FOOTY & NETBALL: Our three teams; two netball teams and a football team, represented us at the Zone Carnival on Friday. The students showed sportsmanship, commitment and enjoyment as they competed against teams from around the area. Thank you to the parents who were able to come along and coach or support the teams as they competed.

Volunteers are needed for head lice checks on Friday 1st August. Please meet at the school office at 12.00pm if you can help.
HANDS-ON LEARNING: Grade 5/6 students had a very enjoyable excursion earlier this week when they headed off to Putt & Glow Mini Golf. The students were researching the attributes of a good mini-golf hole; the challenge, construction and ideas used to make the game interesting. They will use the sketches they made, along with their own creative ideas, to design components of a course for those who attend the fete to try their skills on. They also looked over the play equipment in the Gardens to get some additional ideas. This Quest is a fun and practical way to learn about and practise researching, design and construction skills, Measurement and Space, and other Maths/Science/Technology concepts.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: We have a pupil-free day on Monday, 8th September. On that day, staff will be working with psychologist, Therese Sheedy, on approaches that support children to deal with anxiety or social issues, and to develop empathy, a sense of fair play and of being responsible for their actions. Restorative practices and the use of strengths-based positive education strategies will be a key part of this work. Therese will offer a PARENT SESSION that evening at 6.00pm. She will present on Positive Parenting and provide tips and strategies for you to use with your child/ren as you help them to develop resilience and a sense of perspective. Therese looks at these qualities through a developmental 'lens' and will provide insight into how your expectations can fit the stage of maturity that your child is at.

THANK YOU - to Heather Thrum for the GORGEOUS new ‘snake’ and cushions in the Library. They certainly brighten the place up and are beautifully made. Thank you also to Kel Vincent who did some minor running repairs on our play equipment this week.

WOOD FOR SALE: We have had a very generous donation by Greg Adamo (G&J Tree Services - and Lacey Sessions’ Granddad) of a truckload of split, dry red gum firewood. Usually, a trailer load of this quality firewood would cost up to $120. We are offering a normal 6x4 trailer load to the first 9 customers for $100. The deal is, you bring your own trailer and load the wood here at school on next Friday evening (8th August 5.30-6.30pm) There will be a couple of helpers to get you loaded. If you would like to reserve your load, please contact Nicole at the office or email me: larcombe.wendy.w@edumail.vic.gov.au - first in, best dressed. The $100 must be paid to the office by Thursday, 7th August to reserve your load - you will be provided with a receipt to show on collection.

JEANS FOR GENES DAY: Tomorrow is a Casual Day. Students who choose to come along in their jeans (or other casual clothing) donate a gold coin to this worthy cause. The SRC have organised this day. Grade 5/6 students do have the Barr Reserve program, so they may prefer to wear their ‘trackies’ rather than jeans.

AND FINALLY…. Thank you to school families and local businesses who sponsor our newsletter by advertising on the last page. We hope you will support their businesses wherever possible.

Wendy Larcombe
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The Appin Park Community congratulates you.

Students will be awarded their certificates at Monday’s Assembly

PF  Connor Gambold for always coming to school with his cheerful, positive attitude. He is continuing to develop his awareness of others in all areas of his school learning.

1E  Shyianne Cook for coming to school every day with a happy smile and working hard on every task in class.

1/2S  Lucas Ormand for working hard on his counting patterns, his great reading and for working well with Julie. Keep doing your best, Lucas!

2B  Tayah Martens for her excellent attitude towards all her learning tasks and her ability to help her classmates. Great work, Tayah.

3/4A  Caitlyn Delaney for the mature attitude and positive behaviour you have brought into our classroom. Congratulations, Caitlyn.

3/4C  Sarah Henderson for the 100% effort she puts into completing all her learning tasks.

3/4D  Thomas Ballard for trying hard to improve his reading. Keep up the great effort, Thomas.

5B  Zack Watson for the fantastic effort he puts into his Number Fluency tasks at the beginning of each maths session.

5S  Kane Grimshaw for being a quiet worker in the classroom and for his good manners and consideration for others.

6C  Jack Findlay for the effort he is making in writing an adventure story. Jack is constantly reflecting on his story; showing evidence of editing and revising. Well done, Jack!

6K  Caleb Whitehead for the excellent improvement in his organisation skills and for his improved attendance.

APPIN STAR AWARD

Ebony Grant for her great attitude to all learning tasks and for completing them to a very high standard.

Corey Marjanovic for his outstanding attitude to all his learning activities. He consistently gives each learning task 100%. Corey displays excellent behaviour and always helps at packing up time. Keep up the fabulous work, Corey.

Rebecca Semple for making the connection between Literacy and Art. Rebecca wrote about her favourite school subject, then produced a painting with the writing on it. Well done, Rebecca.

Abby Weeks for being a great little helper in our classroom and for being kind to others. A good effort!

Artist of the Week

Tessa Watson Long for her creative interpretation of Van Gogh Sunflowers. Well done, Tessa.

SPORTS AWARD

Brayden Sadik Hardwidge for his great leadership when working in a small group. He used positive and supportive language, allowed people to contribute their ideas and kept everyone focused on the task. Well done, Brayden.

Mathew Vincent for showing a caring and positive attitude when working in a small group. He was able to give positive feedback allowing for improvement of his group members.

News from the Library

Last week we ran our annual book fair. Thank you to the school community for your support of this event. Through your support we sold over $3,000 in books and accessories which allowed the school to purchase new books for the library to the value of $950. The new books are currently being catalogued and will be available to borrow in the coming weeks. A huge thank you to Mandy, Charlotte & Samuel Mullens, Merrin, Amy & Sarah Henderson, Margie, Thomas, Harvey & Isaac Moore, Trudie, Logan & Kade Reynolds and Karlee & Judd Ryan for their assistance throughout the fair. It would not have been such a success without you all.
Helping Kids Deal With the MH17 Disaster 31 July, 2014
The shooting down of MH17 has shocked and horrified the world, but what affect has all the media coverage had on children and young people? Here are a few suggestions to help children deal with such events:
1. Reassure children that they are safe – that this happened a long way away and it will not affect them directly.
2. Explain what happened and be prepared to answer questions. You may show older children a map. Help them to process what they see and hear.
3. Avoid keeping the television on news channels for too long. The constant repeats of the images can become distressing for children.
4. Be aware of your own actions as children will take their cues from you. Be mindful of what you say and how you act in front of the children.

Chaplain Beth

Annual School Athletics
Once again our school athletics day will be held this term, Wednesday 3rd September at the Athletics Track in Appin Street. Hopefully the weather will be perfect.
All children are involved and will be competing in a variety of events throughout the day. The children are in sports teams and all results will gain points towards their team being awarded the Meyland Athletics Shield for the year. To add to the spirit of the day, we ask the children to wear the colours of their sports team if possible. If you are unsure of your child’s team please speak to their teacher.
This whole day program requires a great deal of help and support from parents and families. We will need help with individual events as well as marshalling age groups. If you are able to help could you please indicate on the form below and return it to school by next Thursday, 8th August.
We need help with:
- High Jump
- Long Jump
- Triple Jump
- Shot Put
- Vortex
- Time keeping
- Help with a particular age group (the age groups are based on what age your child turns this year)

There will be more information included in the newsletter closer to the event.
Wendy Martin

CHILD’S NAME ...........................................  GRADE .........................
I am able to help with: EVENT .............................. AGE GROUP ............... YOUR NAME ................................. PHONE .................................
Saturday Morning Netball
This Saturday will see the last of the games for our three Grade 5/6 netball teams. Congratulations to all of our players. Hopefully you have had an enjoyable year, playing a great game and learning new skills. All the best to the players in Pitch Black who will play in the finals, beginning next week. Continue with your great team spirit and supportive team play and you will do very well.

A very big thank you to our coaches for the year: Karma Smart-Lack, Kim Saunders, Peter O’Donohue, Kellie Bihun, Fiona Carson, Emily Stone, Rosalind Weimer, Mary-Emma Hurley and Kerryn Mitchell, along with those that helped with umpiring duties throughout the year. Without your support and help we would not be able to enter teams to represent our school.

Just a reminder to all girls: please have the school netball skirts washed and ironed and returned to Mrs Martin (please make sure that they are in a bag labelled with your name) as soon as possible. Could the representatives that have the balls and the bibs please return them as well.

Grade 5/6 Winter Sports Carnival
Last week 16 girls and 18 boys competed in the netball and football district carnival against many other schools from our sporting area. A full report, written by a couple of the students, will be included in next week’s newsletter.

I would like to thank Peter O’Donohue, Craig Kerlin and Fiona Carson for their support and undertaking the coaching roles on the day. Reports back from the teachers indicated a very enjoyable day was had by all, with some success had on each of the playing fields. It was great to listen to Peter talking to his team about their sportsmanship and fantastic attitude to their game. It reinforced the idea that although winning gives us a great feeling, playing the game with a really positive approach and supporting each other is a far greater result. Well done to all the players for their effort and great sportsmanship throughout the day.

APPAC LEMBERG
A reminder our next meeting will be held on Monday 4th August @ 6.30pm in the staff room. I would like to extend an invitation to the parents, grandparents & carers of our school community to attend our meetings. If you have any queries please contact Tracey Clough 0407 224667.

Drawing commencing 14th August for 5 Thursdays
Sewing commencing 25th August for 4 Mondays
Cooking commencing 20th August for 4 Wednesdays
Yoga commencing 25th August for 4 Mondays

Please contact Pangerang Community House for more information or to make a booking, phone (03) 5721 3813

Positive Parenting Telephone Service
A ten week program to assist parents, grandparents and carers of our school community to develop a stronger, more positive relationship with their children, manage behavioural problems, learn new skills and develop behaviour strategies.

Weekly telephone calls with a parent educator at a time that suits you from the comfort of your own home.

For more information or to enrol phone 1800 880 660

Pangerang Community House
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Drawing commencing 14th August for 5 Thursdays
Sewing commencing 25th August for 4 Mondays
Cooking commencing 20th August for 4 Wednesdays
Yoga commencing 25th August for 4 Mondays

2nd Hand Uniform Shop
Mondays 8.45-9am in the canteen.

Fruit Roster 4th August:
Bec Feldtmann, Amy Waide, Nicole Snowdon & Kate Morris

SOLUTION FOR THE GRADE 5/6 BRAIN BENDER:

TEN TREES,
FIVE ROWS
WITH FOUR
TREES IN
EACH ROW.

Jeans for Genes day
Jeans for Genes day is an Australia wide event to bring awareness to childhood diseases. For a gold coin donation students can wear their jeans to school on Friday, 1st August.

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