Calendar of Events

Friday 22nd July
ASSEMBLY at 9.00AM
Due to our Active Pathways Launch
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Assembly item S19

This term we are trialling fortnightly assemblies. Our next assembly will be on Friday 5th August at our regular afternoon time. Even weeks will be regular assembly times, odd weeks will have students meeting in their Houses to work on our School Values and Social Skills program.

Tuesday 26th July
2017 Prep Information Evening
6-7pm
Friday 5th August
Assembly item J3 & J4

After school activities:
Homework Club
Each Wednesday in the library with Tony, Leanna & Mandy
3.30-4.15pm.
Parents must collect students by 4.15pm from the library.

Keyboard sessions:
run by Primary Music Institute each Tuesday after school. For prices and availability of session times please contact the office.

Kelly Sports
Wicked Winter Sports
Tuesdays in the MPC 3.30-4.30pm
Enrolment forms are at the office.

Parent Opinion Survey
The use of opinion data to monitor school performance is a very important step towards making our school the best it can possibly be. Each year, the Department of Education and Training conduct an opinion survey of 15 per cent of the school community and we use that information to inform and direct our future school planning and improvement.

Today, 70 randomly selected families received a Parent Opinion Survey. The list of families is computer generated and not selected by the school. Surveys must be returned to the school office by Friday 29th July. We apologise for the short time line, these time lines are set by the Department of Education & Training.

If you received a survey, I strongly encourage you to please complete it and return it. It is fine to sit with your child and share your thoughts and discussions with them.

Ideally, we would like all parents to receive the survey so we get a greater feel of the opinion of all parents, but, we are unable to do this. We do however, always like to receive parent feedback and ideas so please continue to complete feedback forms located at the office and MPC during assembly times.

Please return all surveys via the office. Students are asked to come and see me to place their survey in the locked box at the office. I only need to see them to tick off their name as a returned family survey.

If you have any questions regarding the survey, please don’t hesitate to contact me on 9702 8393. I sincerely thank you for taking the time to complete the survey.

Regards,
Gill Gray, Principal

Parent Feedback
We aim to please so would love more feedback on how we can improve or what you feel we do well. We often ask for feedback via the Coral News or our website, we have even prepared online surveys to try and get responses from parents as to how we can improve.

Now, our School Councillors & Parent Volunteer Group would like to give you more opportunity. Each Friday, Parent members will be in the SLC Café from 2.40pm, before assembly for you to meet and chat with. There will also be feedback forms that you may complete, if you don’t wish to stop and chat, these can be placed in the red letterbox labelled Parent Feedback which is in the MPC. They can also be left in an envelope at the office. Please, come and chat or drop us a note, we would love to hear your thoughts and help make Coral Park the best it can be.

What am I?
I am dangerous
I have eight legs
Some people use me as a pet
I like eating bugs, I’m hairy and I have two fangs.
(Brix M16)

What am I?
I am scaly and I live in water.
People eat me.
I smell like sea water and splash around.
I feel smooth and silky but not always.
(Brianna M16)

What am I?
I have fur and live in the North Pole.
I like to eat fish and also like to eat meat
I have sharp teeth, I am string and people are scared of me.
(Nazakat M16)

What am I?
They wave through the wind.
They’re alive and don’t speak.
They are all around us and don’t think.
They grow tall and can be brown, thick and thin and you can swing on them.
(Jessica M16)

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Each Friday morning, Matt, Solange, Mrs Gray and Liz, our School Council President, meet at our designated meeting points to walk with students to school. Our Active Pathways are yet to be completed due to weather delays however, we can walk to school along these revised routes, which also include an additional new pathway, starting tomorrow. Ride2School Active Paths encourage local communities to adopt healthy habits by helping students get 60 minutes of exercise a day and arrive at school alert and energised. They encourage physical activity amongst students and are also a fun and social way to get to school. Active Paths are designed to make the journey to school as direct, popular and fun as possible, making it easy for students and parents to ride and get active on their way to school.

Coral Park Primary School staff and parents are keen to see Ride2School’s Active Paths build healthy travel habits across the school community. In recent years Coral Park has been working very hard with the help of teachers, parents and student leaders to promote Safe Active travel to and from School and has made ‘Part Way, it’s OK Fridays a big part of this focus. The Principal, Teachers and Parents have been meeting together at two locations within the community every Friday and walk to school with students. At lunchtime on Fridays, the student leaders collect the active travel data from every class and celebrate the most active travel participation in Assembly with a trophy moving around winning rooms. With the introduction of the Active Travel Paths this will help to further the school’s good work in getting as many members of the community actively travelling safely to and from school using these new designated paths together.

So join us tomorrow for our official launch (weather dependent) and a morning assembly. Students can walk, skate, scoot and ride to school along designated Active Paths routes. The riding and walking routes will be identified by footpath stickers.

We would love community members to join with us and walk to school from these meeting points. A HUGE thank you to Liz, our School Council President for joining in and walking from one of the meeting points. Please note that the wetlands bridge is no longer a meeting point, we have re-routed to meet at the corner of James Wyman Place and Greenhill Rise, others are welcome to join us along the wetlands path, meeting at the white bridge. Matt and Solange have two meeting points and combine at the corner of Michelle Drive and Amber Drive.

Start Markers will be located at the beginning of each path. Look for them at the designated meeting points and wait for our staff to arrive at 8.40am. Please note that if it is raining, staff will not be at meeting points.

Stop Markers will be located at every crossing road along the path and Way Points will be located at decision points along the paths. Each of these points counts down the distance towards the school. The decals will be installed soon.
Do you have a child beginning school in 2017?
Enrolments are being taken now.
Prep 2017 Information Evening
Tuesday 26th July 6pm in the library.
Coral Park Primary School conducts school tours every Wednesday morning at 9:00am.

A tour is the best method to decide which school is right for your child. This provides the perfect opportunity for you and your child to see the school in operation and for you to ask all your questions about beginning school as you walk through.

If you haven’t chosen a school yet, please organise a tour to find the school that best suits you and your child’s needs. To organise a tour, please contact the school on 9702 8398.

Visit our prep blog to see all of the fun and exciting activities we do at school http://cppsprep.global2.vic.edu.au/

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Term 3 Extra-Curricular Lunchtime Activities

Monday:
Keyboard & Piano with Mr Tilley
KidsMatter social chats & games in the library with Shelley
Running/Walking Club with Matt, Katrina, Gill & Vicki
Kinder PMP in the old hall with the Prep Team

Tuesday:
Guitar Club with Mr Tilley & Tony
Senior Soccer with Mr Baker in the MPC

Wednesday:
Recorder Group with Mr Tilley
Middle Soccer in the MPC with Mr Baker
KidsMatter social chats & games with Ms P

Thursday:
Band Practice with Mr Tilley & Tony
Knitting & Crafts with Leanna in the library

Friday:
Kinder PMP in the old hall with the Prep Team

Come along and join in with the many FREE activities

Dear Parents
I hope you and your family are well and finding the time to keep up your exercise levels during winter. I find the best way is to go for a 30 minute brisk walk each day. It not only is good for your cardiovascular fitness but it is a great way to have a chat with your children and find out what exciting things they are learning about.

This year we have been very lucky with the grants we have received from Sporting Schools Australia. These grants have helped us to provide a greater sporting opportunities for the students both in Physical Education lessons and during lunchtimes with a variety of sporting opportunities.

This term we have received another $3200 for our school and we are looking forward to providing a Hip Hop dance group at lunchtimes as well as having a golf professional come out to teach the techniques of golf to our students.

We also hope to continue with the very popular lunchtime sporting program with Kelly Sports.

Stay active!

Bill Hains
Have you had breakfast today? Your mind finds it very difficult to concentrate if your body doesn’t get its morning food source. Don’t forget, free breakfast is available in the art room each morning between 8.30am and 8.55am. Come along and see Tony or Sam for some morning fuel to energise your body, just in case you ran out of time to eat at home or forgot to have breakfast.

Proudly sponsored by FoodBank.

Camp Australia is committed to ensuring that children in our care receive a variety of healthy food choices to meet their nutrition requirements for a healthy body and mind. That’s why we’ve been working with Nutrition Australia Vic’s Healthy Eating Advisory Service (HEAS) to develop an exciting new initiative as part of our Healthy Eating Program: the Camp Australia Cookbook.

The Camp Australia Cookbook has been accredited by Nutrition Australia Vic’s Healthy Eating Advisory Service (HEAS) and contains more than 60 delicious and easy to prepare savoury, sweet and no bake recipes. Set to be implemented every Camp Australia service in term 3, the Cookbook adheres to the Australia Dietary Guidelines to promote health and wellbeing for all children in our care.

In addition to the approved food already supplied by Camp Australia, our Educators will now be able to draw upon recipes that include new food items approved by the Healthy Eating Advisory Service: chick peas, kidney beans, tinned tomatoes, rice vermicelli noodles, cinnamon, and reduced salt baked beans.

HEAS also reviewed the inclusion of butter and in line with the Australian Dietary Guidelines and the Australian Guide to Healthy Eating, Camp Australia will continue not including this item. The Cookbook has been trialed throughout a selection of Camp Australia services during Term 2, with the feedback from schools, families and Educators proving to be overwhelmingly positive.

Aligning with the Department of Health and Human Services’ Food and Drink Guidelines for Outside School Hours Care, the Cookbook ensures that children’s nutrition requirements are met and enable Camp Australia to broaden the variety of nutritious food we can offer the children in our care.

If you have any queries about Camp Australia’s Healthy Eating Program or the new Camp Australia Cookbook, please contact Customer Service Team on 1300 105 343.

**Student Attendance Morning Tea**

This year the Principal’s Attendance Award Breakfast changed to become the Attendance Award Morning Tea! All students who have managed to keep their absences at a fabulous low were the recipients for an enjoyable morning tea last week.

Last semester we had 41 students who have an outstanding record of 100% attendance for terms 1 & 2. A further 84 students have kept their absences at 2 or less days. This is a fabulous effort and all of those students need to be congratulated.


**Session times:**

**Before School Care**

6:30am - 8:45am

**After School Care**

3:30pm - 6:00pm

**Notices and Payments Reminders:**

Overdue School Booklist payments from some families are due immediately.

Overdue Swimming Money is due immediately from some families.

Book Club orders are due back by the 4th August.

Year 5 Taste Tester at Narre Warren Sth P-12 permission notes are due by Friday 5th August.

Special Footy Day Lunch orders are due by Friday 5th August.

Cadbury Chocolate sales money is due back to school by Wednesday 19th August.

(If you sell all your chocolates and return your money early and would like another box, please ask at the office.)