Calendar of events 2014

Friday 15 August
Assembly item with S14

Thursday 21st August
Chocolate money due back

Friday 22nd August
is a Pupil Free Curriculum Day.
Book Week, Numeracy & Literacy Week
Dress Up Day
Friday August 29th

Premiers’ Reading Challenge
Not long to go! Keep reading!

Friday 5 September
The Father’s Day Stall
Assembly item—J1 & J2

Book Week
Did you know Book Week and Literacy and Numeracy Week are almost here?

No…. Well Book week is happening from August 19th - 23rd
Literacy and Numeracy Week is happening from August 24th - 30th

This year at Coral Park we are combining our Book Week and Literacy and Numeracy Week celebrations. The students will be participating in a number of activities. These include reading the short listed books, listening to reading over the loud speaker at lunch eating time, participating in buddy grade activities focusing on water usage which is the theme of Numeracy week, Pocket Poems and Connecting to reading which are the themes of Book Week and Literacy week.

We will be concluding our celebrations with a dress up day. Students are invited to come dressed as a favourite book character or something mathematical, this could be their favourite number or shape. We look forward to seeing everyone’s fantastic costumes at our Dress-Up Day

When: Friday 29th August

We will share all your great costumes at our assembly. Parents be sure to come along and see all the great costumes.
Remember awesome costumes can be created from clothes and other items you have at home. They don’t need to be specially brought costumes.

Local MP Judith Graley came to assembly on Friday to present her annual Community Spirit and Leadership Award. This year the well deserving recipient was Riley Evans. Riley is a polite and well-mannered student who excels in both literacy and maths. He completes his homework each week to an excellent standard. Riley is a keen and extremely talented sportsman. He plays football on weekends for the Wyndham Falcons where his dad has been the coach. Earlier this year, Riley supported the charity, Canteen by raising around $2,000 for which he cut his long golden locks. We are all very proud of Riley and this award will put him in good stead for future leadership roles within our school and community.

Judith was also on hand to congratulate Bella and Archer, the first two preps students to know ALL of the Magic 200 words before the end of the year. Well done on their super efforts!

Friday 22nd August is a CURRICULUM DAY.
Wednesday 10th September is our Arts Expo. Save the date in your calendar and come along and see our fabulous Arts displays including Fireflies by the Middles and Snow in the Forest by the Juniors.

Coral Park Athletics Day

On Friday the 8 August the Coral Park Athletics team travelled to Casey Fields Athletics’ track to participate in the District Athletics Day. The team had been training each Tuesday prior to the event and were looking forward to doing their best on the day. Everyone in the team performed well with many ribbons being collected for a variety of events. We are all extremely proud of the team’s efforts and behaviour during the day and the excellent comradery shown by all. Congratulations to all students who participated and did their best!

Three of our athletes have qualified through to Divisional finals to be held on Wednesday 17th September.

Congratulations to:
Ky-Ya for qualifying in the 1500m, Hawaiiki in the Discus and Harlem in the 200m.

Regards and keep fit
Bill Hains
Interschool sports coordinator.

Lynx Phoenix Pegasus Scorpions

Coral Park STARs Achieving SUCCESS
Fun & Fitness
Every Morning 8.30am till 8.55am in the MPC with Bill
Monday: Mixed indoor soccer
Tuesday: Table Tennis
Wednesday: Badminton
Thursday: Running Club on oval
Friday: Mixed indoor soccer.

Birthday
Books
Thank you Michael for donating a birthday book to our library. We hope you had a wonderful birthday.

If you would like to donate a birthday book to the school, please see Linda in the library.

Happy Birthday

THUMBS UP TO:
Thumbs Up to all the students who have their name clearly marked on their jumpers and coats.
Thumbs up to all the families who have their children at school by 8.55am every day.
Thumbs up to our athletics team who tried their best.
Thumbs up to Jorja, Isha, Melissa and Emilie who made it to divisional finals of the VicSpell Spelling Competition.
Thumbs up to Dave our awesome gardener—he does a super job!

As you may be aware the EMA Program will cease at the end of 2014, in light of this change the Brotherhood of St Laurence sees this as an opportune time for your school via the school newsletter, to make eligible families aware of the Saver Plus program & hopefully relieve a bit of the financial strain placed on parents.

Saver Plus is Australia’s largest and longest running matched savings and financial education program. Saver Plus offers an opportunity for families to have every dollar that they save (up to $500) matched with another dollar. Some of the items that the matched savings of $500 can be spent on include text books, uniforms, school shoes, computers, swimming lessons, music lessons, apprenticeship costs, school camps & excursions.

This program is delivered by the Brotherhood of St Laurence, in partnership with the Australian Government Department of Families, Housing, Community Service and Indigenous Affairs.

Would $500 assist you with education costs?
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· have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
· are at least 18 years old
· have some regular income from work (you or your partner), and
· have a child at school, or study yourself.

To find out more contact Karmen Dayal, Saver Plus Worker at the Brotherhood of St Laurence 5941 9155 / 0459 190 144 or kdayal@bsl.org.au Saver Plus is a matched savings and financial education program, developed by Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with Berry Street, The Benevolent Society and The Smith Family and other local community agencies. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, with ANZ providing matched savings for participants.

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Before and After School Care has a new home, they are now in the MPC each day.

After School Care promotes a healthy and active lifestyle, encourages friendships and support students to develop new skills—all while having fun.

Coral Park has partnered with Camp Australia to provide After Hours School Care for our families. Come along and introduce yourself to Jess in the MPC before and after school. The program combines active games with planned and unplanned play, quiet time, homework time and a healthy snack. Did you know, one session can cost as little as $8 with full rebates available.

To enrol your child into the Coral Park OSHC Program, complete an OSHC Registration Form which is located on the Camp Australia website - www.campaustalia.com.au/parents.aspx. Once enrolled be ready to get involved in fun, quality and engaging experiences in a safe and happy environment.

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Notes on fees and out of pocket costs for After Hours School Care:
- Almost all Australian residents are eligible for some form of government rebate.
- The Child Care Benefit (CCB) is income tested and scaled, resulting in a reduction of between 0% and 85% of session fees.
- The Child Care Rebate (CCR) is not income tested and is available to almost all Australian families. It provides a rebate of 50% of fees owing after the CCB has been calculated and considered.

Session times:
- Before Care – 6:30am-8:45am
- After Care- 3:30pm-6:00pm

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Next step
visit www.campaustalia.com.au
and enter your school name in the school finder.

The cost information detailed covers the most common program times and fees. For a full listing of program details and fees for the service, please visit the website www.campaustalia.com. There are over 150 holiday club locations.

Researchers from the University of Western Australia are investigating children’s ability to detect and avoid potentially harmful social interactions, such as being easily fooled or tricked into doing something. They are looking to see how this develops in children, and when children outgrow this vulnerability. They are looking for parents of Kindergarten – Year 6 children across Australia to complete an online survey (15 – 20 minutes). Participants will go into a draw to win one of 10 $50 gift certificates to Coles/Myers. To participate go to:
http://tinyurl.com/childs sq

Or for more information please contact Rebecca Seward at (08) 6488 4652. Please note: This is an ongoing study so if you have previously completed the questionnaires we kindly ask that you do not complete them again.

The Father’s Day stall is coming on Friday 5th September.

Every Day Counts
Primary school attendance

Cadbury Fundraiser
Don’t forget, all monies and unsold chocolates are due to be returned by Thursday 21st August.

For every box sold (or equivalent donation) a raffle ticket is written in your family name for your chance to win one of two great family fun packs or the GIANT toblerone. Good luck!