Friday 14th February 2014

Calendar
Friday 21st February District Swimming Sports.
Tuesday 25th February Family Picnic & Games Evening
Wednesday 26th February MarketFresh School Program
Friday 28th February “Taskworks” Excursion, Whole School
Monday 3rd March Opening of the 2014 School Year, Assembly in the Hall, 2.30pm

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE 14.2.2014

Congratulations to our new School Captains and School Vice-Captain for 2014. The voting by all the children in the school and staff members resulted in the following children being successful.

School Captain (Girls) – Caitlin S
School Captain (Boys) – Jimmy H
School Vice-Captain (Girls) – Rhiannon M
School Vice-Captain (Boys) – Caleb L

I look forward to working with these children in their new leadership roles for 2014 and having the rest of the school support them throughout the year.

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HOUSE SWIMMING SPORTS

Our House Swimming Sports were held on Wednesday at Belgrave Swimming Pool for our Year 3 – 6 children (and a few extra capable swimmers from Year 2). The Overall House results will be announced at assembly on Monday. Children who placed in the top 4 have already received their ribbons and have been proudly wearing them on Thursday. All the children involved did a wonderful job and all tried their personal best, whilst gaining valuable points for their House Team. I was particularly pleased with the application of the children who showed great ability and determination. Congratulations to all those children who participated and put in a great effort and enjoyed the beautiful conditions. The children were superbly behaved and attempted every race possible.

The relay at the end of the competition was a fitting conclusion to an enjoyable morning with a huge number of laps being completed.

Thanks to our band of supportive helpers for assisting on the day to ensure the event went to plan and children were timed accurately. They were: Kelly W, Michelle Mo, Sue C & Nolene D (with a little help from Steve W and Lisa O). Thanks to those who came along to watch the children swim. Thanks also to Mr G for starting each race and being official photographer.

Individual results were:

12+ Girls – Caitlin S 1st Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke & Butterfly; Amy N – 2nd Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke & 3rd Butterfly; Rhiannon M – 3rd Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke & 2nd Butterfly.
11 Boys – Tyson M 1st Butterfly
10 Girls – Laura G 1st Backstroke, Breaststroke & Butterfly; Araya G 2nd Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke; Caitlin J 2nd Butterfly, 3rd Backstroke, Breaststroke, Breaststroke & 4th Freestyle; Deborah M 3rd Butterfly & 4th Breaststroke; Molly S 1st Freestyle 7 4th Butterfly; Lila O 4th Backstroke.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR 2014

The Official Opening of the School Year will be held on Monday 3rd March from 2:30 to 3:30. This is a very special ceremony where the School Captains/Vice Captains, House Captains and Junior School Council representatives will be invested. Parents and relatives are invited and welcome to attend this formal occasion. Make sure you bring your camera, especially if your child is being invested in a position of responsibility. An afternoon tea for parents, relatives, guests and visitors will be held at the conclusion of presentations.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2014

Nominations for parents to become involved in the 2014 School Council will close today at 4:30 pm. Thanks to those who have nominated so far.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FAMILY PICNIC & GAMES EVENING – ALL WELCOME

The Family Picnic and Games Evening to welcome the school community and herald the 2014 School Year will be held on Tuesday 25th February from 6:00 pm until about 8:00 pm. All parents, relatives and children are invited to attend. The evening will include picnic dinner at 6:00 on the school oval (bring take-away, drinks, picnic food, chairs and rugs). Tribes Games - 6:45. Races and Novelty events - from about 7:15. Everyone is invited!

MARKETFRESH PROGRAM INCURSION – EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY

We have organised the Marketfresh Program incursion for the whole school on Wednesday 26th February from 11:30 to 12:30. The activity will highlight fresh fruit and vegetables and encourage healthy attitudes to fresh produce. All children will be presented with a variety of fresh fruit and vegetables to try as part of the education program. There will be no cost for this incursion. We will need several parent helpers before 11:30 on the day to assist with cutting up the fruit and vegetables.

TASKWORKS EXCURSION – EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY

The staff have organised a Whole School Excursion to Taskworks in Mulgrave to start the school year. We will be travelling by buses to the venue and it is an activity based excursion with a great deal of co-operative activities attempted. The activities will support our Tribes Learning Community approach and engage the children in a variety of fun and challenging activities. The excursion will be held on Friday 28th February. The cost will be $20. Permission forms have already been distributed and are due to be returned next week.

SPORT

DISTRICT SWIMMING SPORTS

The District Swimming Sports will be held on Friday 21st February at Belgrave Pool from 10:00 am. Parent helper volunteers are requested. Please contact me or the office if you are able to assist. The School Team will be announced on Monday and permission forms will be distributed on Monday to be returned by Wednesday 19th February. The team will be posted on notice boards and will be selected according to the results of the House Swimming Sports.

HOUSE CAPTAINS & VICE CAPTAINS

Congratulations to the following students who have been nominated or voted in to leadership positions for 2014.

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RED FIRE DANGER

Required to pre-emptively close on days declared Code Red by the CFA in the Bureau of Meteorology region.

Upwey Primary School has been identified as being at higher risk of bushfire which would pre-emptively close on Tuesday next week.

If you see children from other local primary schools in our classroom or school grounds you will know the reason. Please make them feel welcome if you get the chance. The programs are:

Year 1/2 – Tuesdays from 1:00 to 3:30 pm (Adam W, Hayden W & Nathan D from 2E will be participating)
Year 3/4 – Tuesdays from 9 to 12:30 (Sam M, Caitlin J & Laura G from 3/4G will be participating)
Year 5/6 – Wednesdays from 9 to 12:30.

LUNCH ORDERS – PRICE INCREASED AT BURRINJA DELI

I have been in contact with Cheryl at Burrinja Deli regarding the recent price increases and have received an explanation. Supply, ingredients and utility costs have risen considerably over the last year or so and Cheryl has been able to absorb these costs for some time, but this situation was unsustainable and so some prices have risen for 2014. Cheryl mentioned that the products are handmade and not mass produced and has also assured me that these prices will remain the same for the year.

SOMERS CAMP

Children in Years 5 & 6 will be offered the opportunity to attend the Somers School Camp in the middle of 2014. There is a total of 160 student places for our network. The cost of the 9 day program is $185 which is heavily subsidised. If your child is in Year 5 or 6 next year and you would like then please consider the opportunity and I will provide more information at the beginning of 2014. Please be aware that this year the Year 5 & 6 children are booked into Beechworth Camp and it is quite expensive, in the vicinity of $450. More details are available at www.somerscamp.vic.edu.au . The camp dates are Tuesday 3rd to Wednesday 11th June.

UNIVERSITY OF NSW-INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS 2014

Application forms with associated costs will soon be available for parents who want their child to be involved in the ICAS University of New South Wales Testing Program. The order forms for these competitions will be available next week. I am once again encouraging children to participate in the UNSW – ICAS Competitions for 2014. Only children in Years 3- 6 will be given the opportunity to participate.

BUSHFIRE AT RISK REGISTER

In 2009 DEECD produced a Bushfire At Risk Register (BARR) which listed schools and children’s service facilities identified as being at higher risk of bushfire which would pre-emptively close on days declared Code Red by the CFA in their Bureau of Meteorology region.

After an extensive process of consultation and review, the Department has updated this year’s Bushfire At Risk Register. Upwey Primary School has been identified as being at higher risk and, as such, will be required to pre-emptively close on days of Code Red fire danger.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN & PROCEDURES

Emergency Closures on DEECD Website

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) website is available so that parents and carers can more readily access information about emergency closures of schools, early childhood facilities and bus services. The website is: www.education.vic.gov.au

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2014

The schedule for the 2014 School Council election process is as follows:

Friday 31st January 	Announce election schedule and call for nominations.
Friday 14th February 	Nominations close.
Display list of candidates, nominators and seconders
Friday 14th February Ballot papers (if required) distributed by this date
Friday 31st February Close of ballot
Friday 31st February Count ballots and declare results
Monday 3rd March School Council AGM & School Council Meeting

REMINDERS

UPDATED PERSONAL INFORMATION

Student Information forms have been distributed to parents in order for information to be updated. If all information remains the same then please indicate this and no changes will need to be made. It is important that contact details are current so please complete this task next week, if not already completed.

It is also important that information regarding involvement in such programs as Religious Education is completed now so that children will be placed in the correct groups.

ASTHMA MANAGEMENT PLAN

Parents of children who have asthma are required to complete the Asthma Management Plan. Please complete the plan and hand to the office. Parents are also asked to leave a spare ventolin/asthma spray or similar at the school office as a separate inhaler is required for each child in case of need/emergency. All this is a department requirement and supports the welfare of children involved.

CAR PARK FOOTPATH

A reminder to all children to please use the footpath along the staff car park entrance/exit and not walk or climb on the stone wall as it could be dangerous. I would appreciate parent support in reinforcing this expectation.

SPECIAL RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

The SRI Program is due to begin for children who are permitted to attend lessons soon. It is anticipated that the program will begin on Wednesday 5th March for some, but not all, classes. At the moment I am anticipating involvement in the program for Grade P/1C (Julie Dzioba) and Grade 5/6S (Christine Simpson).

Please ensure the information form regarding whether your child will access this program is completed so that we can organise the program in the classes.

We currently have access to trained Access Ministries staff. (They provide the agreed Christian Syllabus- Religion in Life). We will also be welcoming Mrs Gabrielle Symons as support staff for the P/1 class.

SPECIAL RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION
PARKING ALONG DARLING AVENUE
If you are dropping off or picking up children at school along Darling Avenue please ensure that you obey the parking restrictions as I have it from a reliable source that the Parking Officers will be on the lookout and booking drivers for illegal parking. Please take care for the children’s sake, as well as your own. Some parents have been fortunate so far to be given a warning about the restrictions. Do not park over the yellow lines during crossing times!

THANKS
LIBRARY ASSISTANCE
Thanks to Kelly W and Danielle Q who have volunteered to assist Jenny in the Library on Tuesday mornings. Kelly was in this week and is taking to the job like a duck to water!

Malcolm Aspinall
Principal

KARATE FOR KIDS
In Our School Hall
( Established since 1981)
FIRST LESSON IS FREE
( No Obligation )
Friday: 7.00 pm
at UPWEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

*** Improve your FITNESS; SELF ESTEEM; CONFIDENCE & AWARENESS; CO-ORDINATION; LEARN SELF DEFENCE
*** Open to all ages from 5 years old ( Male / Female ).
*** Friendly atmosphere GUARANTEED.
*** LOW AFFORDABLE FEES. Easy Payment Options.
We also offer classes in other suburbs for all ages.
For Details & Enrolment, please phone TERRY
0418.809808 OR 9759.7187

MARKETFRESH
Schools Program
The MARKETFRESH Schools Program is coming to our school!!!
WHEN: Wednesday 26th February
WHERE: Multipurpose Room

We will be needing 4 parent helpers
The program covers:
• seasonality of produce
• How fruit and vegetable are grown
• The uses of fruit and vegetables
• The importance and benefits of eating fruit and vegetables daily
• Tasting of fresh seasonal produce

2nd Hand Uniform Sale.
Mon 17th Feb
We will be having a 2nd hand sale near the school office between 2.30 - 3.30.
All items priced $2 to $5
We have school:
Pants & shorts
Windcheaters
Bomber jackets
Polo shirts

2E SCIENCE
Happy Birthday
14th Feb - 21st Feb
Jack T

Term 1 2014 - Upwey Primary School

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P.A. NEWS

NEXT MEETING
Tuesday 4th March

Helpers needed for Market Fresh program on Wednesday 26th February from 11am to cut up fruit & Vegies.

Book Club: Issue 1

Issue 1 booklets will be distributed today and are due back on Monday 24th February.

We earned $1,100 worth of books for our library and classrooms last year!

2nd Hand Uniform Sale, Mon 17th Feb

We will be having a sale near the school office between 2.30 - 3.30.

All items priced $2 to $5
SUSHI EXPRESS Lunch orders
Friday’s only
Hand Rolls $2.50 each
• Californian roll
• Teriyaki Chicken roll
• Crispy Chicken roll
• Avocado roll
• Vegetarian roll
• Salmon & Avocado roll
• Tuna & Avocado roll

DRINKS $1.50
Apple & Blackcurrant or Apple

Please write your order on an envelope and leave it at the office.
1592 Burwood Hwy, Belgrave, Vic 3160

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Monday – Friday 8.30am – 9.00pm
Saturday 9.00am – 5.00pm

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Call (03) 8288 1350 for an appointment

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Service For Children
between 4-14 years
Mount Medical Clinic-BELGRAVE
82881350, www.mountmedical.com.au

Joshua’s Journey Fund Raiser
Sunday 16th Feb –
11.00am until 5.00pm at
Upwey C.F.
Chosen Ave Upwey

Live Music
Sausage Sizzle
Harley Rides
Car Wash
Raffles
Jumping Castles
Face Painting
Auctions

Call Chloes on
0400 298 606.
If you would like to offer your support

Belgrave Junior Football Club
registration day
Mon 17th Feb 5.30-7pm
at Belgrave Recreation Reserve,
Reserve Rd Belgrave.
Kids of all ages from 7 from
the first of January up
Contact: Maxine 0417 391 283.
IN SCHOOLS MUSIC SCHOOL

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

In School Time

The benefits of learning a musical instrument include:

Increased focus, concentration, self-esteem, socialization, and improved academic skills.

With fast learning curves, secure performances in band, excellent transition to high school, it makes primary school a great time to start one of the following:

What Instrument Suits Me?

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<td>Group recorder</td>
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This program is an elective, fee for service, extension music program in school time.
Private lessons are $29 per half hour, group rates start at $10 a session.

Andrew McAlister ismusic@bigpond.com 0408467147
In Schools Music Po Box 31 The Patch 3792

Cut ---- Expression of Interest ------- RETURN SLIP ---- to general office

Parent ___________________________ Year Level ____________
Phone __________________________
Mobile __________________________ Mobile __________________________
Email __________________________ Instrument? __________________________