Calendar

Monday 3rd March  
Opening of the 2014 School Year, Assembly in the Hall, 2.30pm; School Council AGM 7pm

Tuesday 4th March  
P.A. Meeting in the Staffroom, 2pm

Monday 10th March  
Labor Day Public Holiday

Friday 4th April  
Last day for Term 1

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PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE 28.2.2014

Congratulations to our small, young but enthusiastic School Swimming Team who competed so well at the District Sports last Friday. Under very wet conditions they competed so well and supported each other superbly. As a result of such great effort the team won the Handicap Shield. Congratulations also go to Caitlin S who gained a 2nd place in the 12/13 girls breaststroke and 3rd in the 12/13 girls freestyle.

MARKETFRESH PROGRAM INCURSION – EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY

We held the Marketfresh Program for the whole school on Wednesday. The activity highlighted fresh fruit and vegetable and encourage healthy attitudes to fresh produce. Children are now particularly knowledgeable on what constitutes a fruit! Special thanks to Caroline and Teesha for the session showing the process of “Paddock to Plate” and how the fruit and vegetable market operates. Thanks to our parent helpers and Sue Maxwell for making the program such a worthwhile one. Children finished with a big plate of Fruit & Veg to sample.

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NEWSLETTER

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ART AWARDS

If you received an Art Award last week, could you please bring it in on Monday and I will copy it to go into next Friday's newsletter. We seem to have lost our copy of awards.

Apologies to Ruby for last weeks award.

SCHOOL COUNCIL 2014
The first meeting for the 2014 School Council as well as the Annual General Meeting to complete 2013 business will be held on Monday 3rd March from 7:00 pm. The School Council AGM will begin at 7:00 pm with the first meeting of the 2014 School Council Meeting anticipated to start at 7:30 pm. Parents are welcome to attend.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY
We held our Clean Up Australia Day around the school grounds on Monday 24th February. The children worked in their House Teams and cleaned up our school grounds and Sanctuary so well.

FAMILY PICNIC & GAMES EVENING
The Family Picnic and Games Evening was held on Tuesday 25th February and although we had quite a downpour at about 5:00 pm the evening turned out to be very pleasant with an extremely good turn up of families. We held Tribes Games (especially great fun with the parachute activities), Year level Sprint Races, an Egg & Spoon Race and a Shoe Scramble to finish the evening. Thanks to the staff members and all the families who attended to make it such an enjoyable (and entertaining) evening.

TASKWORKS EXCURSION – EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY
The Whole School Excursion to Taskworks in Mulgrave was held today. More information on the activities will be available next week. This was a great opportunity to provide a whole school bonding and support our Tribes Learning Community approach.

YEAR 6 WINDCHEATER
The final design for the Year 6 windcheater has been completed by Cindy N and I thank her for her magnificent work. The design will now be placed on a hooded windcheater and polo t-shirt as part of the School Uniform, to be worn only by Year 6 children. Order forms have been distributed this week after the children have been trying on windcheaters for sizing requirements.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

WHAT'S HAPPENING HOUR & SAUSAGE SIZZLE DON'T MISS IT!

All children and parents are invited to attend our Classroom Information Sessions for the beginning of the year to be held soon. The event will be held on Tuesday 11th March from 7:00 -8 pm. We will be starting the evening with a Free Sausage Sizzle for children and parents from 6:30-7 pm and then everyone (children and parents) will move into the classrooms to be provided with the “What’s Happening Hour” grade information/activities for grade routines.
UPWEY HIGH SCHOOL – “SIGHTS & SOUNDS – UPWEY ARTS FESTIVAL”

Upwey High will be holding an Arts Festival featuring an Art Exhibition and Art Competition which will coincide with their Open Evening. Children and adults are invited to provide entries in the Art Competition in the following 3 categories:

- **Primary School (Open Theme)** – People’s Choice Award & Judges’ Award
- **Secondary School (Open Theme)** – People’s Choice Award & Judges’ Award
- **Open Category (Open Theme)** – People’s Choice Award & Judges’ Award

The Art exhibition is to be held in our school hall (Howarth Hall).

The dates are from Sunday 23rd March until Wednesday 26th March. Entry forms are available at the school office for anyone interested in entering an exhibit.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**SPECIAL RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION (SRI)**

Lessons for SRI will begin next week on Wednesday 5th March. We have been able to provide teachers for three grades: Prep/1C (Mrs Julie Dzioba & Mrs Gabrielle Symons), 2E (Mrs Christine Simpson) and 5/6S (Mrs Christine Simpson). Children whose parents have indicated involvement on their enrolment or updated sheets will be involved. Children not involved will be supervised during the lesson and complete revision work, consolidation work or finish incomplete work during the SRI 30 minute lesson.

**UNIVERSITY OF NSW – INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS 2014**

Application forms with associated costs have been made available for parents who want their child to be involved in the ICAS University of New South Wales Testing Program. 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. The notification and order form were distributed during the week.

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**REMINDERS**

**UNIFORM DISCIPLINE PROCEDURES INTRODUCED**

As a result of refinement of Department Guidelines and our desire to maintain even greater uniformity with our Assertive Discipline procedures aligned to our Tribes Learning Community Approach the teachers will be introducing a consistent Card System into each classroom from **Monday 24th February**. The system will be based on more time effective management and appropriate consequences for unacceptable behaviour. The consequences hierarchy developed will include:

- **BLUE CARD** – Warning (Read classroom rules. Read Our 7 Agreements from Tribes) No further action
- **YELLOW CARD** – Classroom consequence. Withdrawal within the room to complete a designated classroom activity appropriate to the Year level. (Children will no longer be given “Yard Duties” as a consequence.)
- **ORANGE CARD** – Withdrawal from classroom. THINK TIME DETENTION Withdrawal from playground for 15 minutes at morning recess. Complete a “Think Time” Activity sheet. Recorded in the classroom.
- **RED CARD** – DETENTION. Withdrawal from the classroom to Principal’s Office. Lunchtime Detention for 25 minutes (or After School Detention for 60 minutes). Detention Sheet completed. Parents contacted.

To round out the whole school approach to Student Engagement & Discipline we will continue with classroom rewards for positive behaviours which will far outweigh the consequences. These will include Golden Time, House Points, Tribes Awards, Achievement Awards, Classroom Awards etc.

Malcolm Aspinall
Principal

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**Our District Swimming Champs!**
**P.A. NEWS**

**NEXT MEETING**
Tuesday 4th March

2nd Hand Uniforms are available for purchase from the school office. Prices are $2-$5

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**LOST PROPERTY**

We have an number of students who are missing uniform items. Could all families please check that they have their own clothing and not picked up someone else’s by mistake. Thank you.
CRAFT MARKET

Sunday 2nd March
Produce Market 9am-2pm
Craft Market 10am-3pm

Belgrave South Primary School
& Community Hall
Belgrave Hallam Rd @Gilmore Ct

Face Painting, Jumping Castle, 35
plus stalls of Gourmet Goodies and
Home Made Crafts.
CFA Sausage Sizzle

Supporting
Belgrave South Primary School

MUSIC LESSONS

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Beginners to Advanced. Byrs to 80yrs
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V.I.T registered. Classical, Jazz, Contemporary
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ROLL UP YOUR SLEEVES AND GIVE BLOOD

UPWEY MOBILE UNIT
Upwey Community Hall
1443 Burwood Highway.

Monday 24 March 1:30pm – 7:30pm
Tuesday 25 March 1:30pm – 7:30pm
Wednesday 26 March 1:30pm – 7:30pm
Thursday 27 March 2:00pm – 7:30pm
Friday 28 March 9:30am – 3:30pm

To book your appointment please call 13 14 95

To make an appointment call 13 14 95
or visit donateblood.com.au

Is your 12-18 year old unusually sad or irritable
and/or losing interest or enjoyment in many activities?

They might also be experiencing one or more of the following:

Need help?
See a Family Counsellor

SUPPORT GROUPS FOR PARENTS/CARERS
of youth aged the years with signs of depression.

Group, running in Ringwood, Vermont, Ringwood and Highton.
Contact us: 03 9844 2905 or email familycounsellors@bigpond.com

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Is your Lollipop person the sweetest?
Nominate your Lollipop person for the 2014/2015
School Crossing Supervisor of the year award.
Pick up a nomination form online at
Your support of this program will help ensure your
School Crossing Supervisor is shown the
appreciation they deserve for their commitment to
the ongoing safety of our children.
Closes Friday 2nd May 2014

Local Artist Shel Kerin would like to
welcome you to her first viewing

“Intuitive Soul Art”

Sunday 9th March. 2pm to 6pm
Come & meet Shel, she will be here to talk you
about her art work
At Abitza Healing Centre, Café & Gifts
56 - 58 Main Street Upwey, Ph: 9754 6850,
email: gaabitza@gmail.com

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