



CHISHOLM STREET

*"A history of putting children first"*

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

### Monday, 17 August

- School Council Meeting 7.30pm
- Cathy Griffin- School Nurse - Preps

### Tuesday, 18 August

- Transition Preps 2010 - 2.30-3.30
- Cathy Griffin - School Nurse - Preps

### Tuesday, 18 Aug - Tuesday, 23 Aug

- Science Week

### Saturday, 22 August

- Tournament of the Minds
- Performance Day

### Wednesday, 26 Aug—Friday, 28 Aug

- Year 5/6 Camp

### Monday, 31 Aug—Fri, 6 Sept

- Literacy and Numeracy Week

### Thursday, 3 September

- Transition preps 2010 9.00-10.00

### Friday, 4 September

- Trivia Night
- Jump Rope for Heart

### Thursday, 10 September

- Whole School Sports Day

### Friday, 18 September

- End of Term 3- 2.30pm finish

### Monday 12 Oct-Wednesday 14 Oct

- Camp 3/4R

### Wednesday, 14 Oct-Friday 16 Oct

- Camp 3/4F

### Wednesday, 21 October

- Transition Preps 2010 2.30-3.30pm

### Thursday, 22 October

- Market Fresh—whole school

### Thursday, 29 October

- Year 5 Transition Day

### Tuesday, 3 November

- Melbourne Cup—Public Holiday

### • Friday, 6 November

- Transition Preps 2010—11.30-12.30

### Monday, 16 November

- Transition Preps 2010—12.30-1.30

### Tuesday, 8 December

- Year 6 Orientation Day
- Preps for 2010 attend school

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Junior Information Night

Congratulations to the children and teachers in our Junior School on a terrific information sharing night last Thursday. As a long term teacher in our senior school I am always very impressed by the excellent presentation skills demonstrated by our senior school kids. I now know where it all begins. Also thanks to all of the parents, grandparents and friends who were able to turn up and help make it a special evening for the children.

### 2009 Student Opinion survey

Each year the grade 5/6 children across Victoria have to complete an opinion survey in order to collect data on how they feel about school. This enables us to identify strengths and weaknesses in our learning and support programs and to adjust or introduce new programs as the data results might suggest.

Children are asked to respond to questions related to student wellbeing, teaching and learning and student relationships. The results are collated and presented in a range of ways including grade level, gender and a three year trend. Our results are also compared to the results of all other schools in Victoria.

I'm pleased to say that on balance our results are very positive with our scores generally at or above State averages. Students have indicated a relatively high level of morale and school connectedness and feel positive about student behaviour.

There are however areas we need to respond to. We follow a State trend whereby grade 5 students, particular girls are not as positive about aspects of school as are the grade 6 children. This is an area we will look at over the coming months and into next year.

### Knowing Our past to prepare for our Future.

Some more family history from 'Life on the Park'. Expects from my mother's recollections of her childhood.

#### Shopping

*The years rolled on with life busy and peaceful. Eventually the car began to make an appearance. Dad bought a Ford car. No drivers licence required, and 'wonder-of-the-world', no longer did Dad and grandpa have to harness a pair of Clydesdales to the four wheeled wagon and make a two day trip to Lucindale for supplies. Now it could be done in one day and we could go too. With a small trailer hitched we would journey to Lucindale to the shop, only one, which sold everything. I only had sixpence to spend and I'm sure no millionaire*

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*felt richer than I. My sixpence bought so much in those days. An ice-cream, one penny. It was a big one too. Heavenly! A Tiger Tim comic book was a penny, and the remaining fourpence got a large bag of sweets. Amazing. Poor Phyl, always got the rough end of the stick as she suffered from car sickness. There were numerous stops for her to be sick. Travel was a real misery for her. I had no sympathy for her, awful kid that I was. She was holding us up on our trip to the shop. Not so coming home. By then I had spent my fortune, and had to wait a month for the next trip to town.*

*Later on we began to make the forty mile trip to Naracoorte to shop. Life seemed to hold nothing better. A shilling to spend now that I was bigger, and lunch at the 'Golden Gate' café. Life couldn't be better.*

David Pahl



### Jump Rope for Heart

Friday, 4 September

Sponsorship forms have gone home. If you didn't receive a sponsorship form there will be more available from the office next week.

### MONTY'S AWARDS WENT TO

Emma  
Georgia

Congratulations

### SCIENCE WEEK

Tues, 16 Aug - Tues, 23 Aug

All classes will be doing science activities in this week.  
Look for the insert next week

### PRINCIPAL AWARDS

**Emma** - for writing personal recounts with confidence.

**Mitchell** - for reading with fluency and expression when reading aloud.

**Mats** - for improved organisation and attitude towards completing his work.

**Brandon** - congratulations on a brilliant story entitled "The Last Thing I Remembered."

**Belle** - congratulations on producing a terrific story full of convincing imagery.

**Kyra** - for being a diligent worker and being a good friend to others.

**Lachlan** - for teaching Preps guitar chords at lunch time.

**Emma** - for her excellent progress with her reading.

**Rebecca** - for always helping others and consistently being an excellent leader.

**Reese** - for taking a keen interest on our Space Theme and for working hard in completing all work tasks.

**Lochlan** - for improvement in spelling and his interesting alien story.

**Grace** - for her excellent attitude towards her school work, especially her writing.

**Sebastian** - for his creativity and imagination when making his alien.

**Macy** - for her effort and improvement in all areas of the curriculum and for always trying her best.

**Jack** - Jack is a keen student who gives everything his best effort.

### PARENTS AND FRIENDS

Trivia Night - Friday, 4 September

Proudly sponsored by Pat & Mel O'Donohue, Treats Coffee Shop and Quick Gas.

\$50 sponsorship tables still available.

Please phone Tania 5721 3475

### AUGUST IS ORAL HEALTH MONTH!!!



To celebrate our Parents and Friends Club are having a Bright Smiles Fundraiser - to raise awareness of the importance of good oral health for our children and raise money to buy equipment and resources for our children's learning.

A parent information sheet and order form was sent home last week with the newsletter. For further information please see Cathryn Carboon - our resident Dental Hygienist or phone 5721 4451.

Get involved with our healthy fundraiser—it's designed to make your smile!!



# Casual Day

## Friday, August 14

This will be a casual day to honor Senior Ann. The aim of this day is to perpetuate the memory of Senior Constable Ann Brimblecombe and to raise money for our local hospitals.

All students who participate will receive a blue ribbon and a sticker. Children who donate a gold coin will also receive a blue wristband.





## PUPIl FREE DAYS FOR 2010

Wednesday, 27 January  
Thursday, 28 January  
Friday, 29 January  
Friday, 11 June

## VICTORIA LEGAL AID

The child Support Legal Service of Victoria Legal Aid assists parents with legal problems relating to:

- Getting or paying child maintenance/or child support, including "over 18" maintenance
- Parentage testing
- Changes of Assessment Child

A Child Support Lawyer will be visiting the region on Tuesday, August 18 and Tuesday, October 20.

For further information, enquiries and bookings please call the Child Support Legal Service on 9269 0408 or 1800 677 402.

## Transition Days for 2010 Prep Children

**Tuesday 18 August**  
2.30pm to 3.30pm  
**Thursday 3 September**  
9.00am to 10.00am  
**Wednesday 21 October**  
2.30pm to 3.30pm  
**Friday 6 November**  
11.30 am to 12.30pm  
**Monday 16 November**  
12.30 pm to 1.30pm



## WANGARATTA NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Playing times for Bumblebees and Flamingos

Bumblebees	15 August	9.20am
Flamingos	15 August	10.10am

## TRANSITION DATES FOR WANGARATTA HIGH SCHOOL

Thursday, 29 October - Grade 5 Transition Day  
Tuesday, 8 December - State wide Grade 6 Orientation Day



## MARKET FRESH SCHOOL PROGRAM

**Thursday, 22 October**



This program is designed to educate students about the importance of fresh fruits and vegetables as part of a healthy diet. The program details how fresh fruits and vegetables are grown, harvested and the supply chain of the Australian fresh produce industry.

The one hour interactive session includes a short presentation followed by a tasting session where students are encouraged to try a variety of fresh seasonal produce.

## Ovens and King Community Health Service

Is your child aged between 9 and 14?  
Then this parenting program is for you!!

The program is aimed at parents of young people in the upper primary school and lower high school levels and focuses on the critical transition years from primary to secondary.

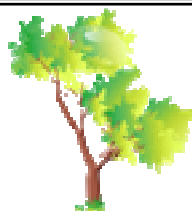
**When:** Mondays—10, 17, 24 and 31 August

**Where:** Wangaratta Library, 21 Docker Street, Wangaratta

**Time:** 9.30am—11.30am

**Cost:** \$20

**Bookings essential by phoning 5723 2000**



## THE REMEMBERING TREES

Please join us on-site along Chick Road, Wangandary

**Sunday, 23 August 2009**  
Anytime between 10.00am - 3.00pm

To register interest and secure a tree please contact Christine on 5723 2070 at Ovens and King community Health Service.