Growing a Supportive Community of Active Learners

Happy Mothers’ Day to all our wonderful Mothers and Grandmothers.
Parent Club Mothers’ Day Stall

Thank you to our fantastic Parent Club and hardworking volunteers for organising and running the Mothers’ Day Stall this week, it was a great success! Without the hard work and dedication of these fantastic parents, events such as this would not be possible.

Hope all our wonderful mothers and grandmothers have a fabulous day on Sunday!!!!

Junior Play Ground Upgrade

The junior playground is getting a face lift with installation of new equipment, including two slides. The equipment is being made as we speak and I am hoping it will be installed by the end of this term or by the beginning of term 3. The equipment is costing approximately $11,000 and thanks to the fundraising efforts of the Parent Club, $5000 has already been put aside to help pay for the equipment.

The Lion Dance Experience

On Thursday 19th May, join us in exploring the wonders of the Chinese Culture through the ‘Lion Dance’ evening workshops. During the evening, families are invited to experience and be immersed in the Chinese culture and develop an understanding of why the Lion Dance plays a vital role in the Chinese culture. Before the workshops, families are invited into the cookery room for a Chinese meal consisting of vegetarian noodles and mini spring rolls. Families will also have an opportunity to wander through our newly refurbished library.

The cost of the evening is $5.00 per person with a cap of $20 per family. As the ‘Lion Dance Workshop’ has a limit of 42 people per performance, the evening will be broken into 4 sessions (this of course will be dependent on how many families wish to participate).

If your family would like to join us in the Education Week ‘Lion Dance’ Experience, please make payment via Qkr and indicate your preferred session by Monday 9th May. Please note, we will try and give families their preferred session time, but due to numbers, this may not always be possible. Families will receive confirmation of their session time no later than Friday 13th May.

Parent Club Special Lunch Days.

During this term, the Parent Club will be organising several Special Lunch Days that will be held on designated Fridays. The first Special Lunch will be a ‘Hot Dog Day’.

Information on how to order and make payment will be distributed to parents via tiqbiz in the next couple of weeks.

School Activity Payments

School Council would like to remind parents/guardians that payments for school organised activities (whether it be for an excursion, visit or parent club activity) must be paid by the due date in order to facilitate smooth organisation of the event and to ensure that correct financial processes are followed.

Payment through Qkr is the school’s preferred method of payment. Parents/guardians are able to contact the office to make alternative arrangements.

Please note that no late payments for school activities will be accepted through the office.
Anaphylaxis
We have five students at our school who have Anaphylaxis. This means that these students suffer allergic reactions to certain foods and factors in the environment. Their allergic reactions are severe and can be life threatening. These students have an extreme allergic reaction particularly to peanuts.

As part of the school’s Anaphylaxis Action Plan, under no circumstances should food be shared or swapped with any other children at school.

Timetable for NAPLAN Testing
Just a reminder, that the Department of Education NAPLAN testing commences next week for Year 3 and 5 students across Australia.

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Curriculum Day – Friday 20th May
Our next curriculum day will be held on Friday 20th May. This will be a student free day and has been allocated for the preparation of midyear reports. Midyear reports will be distributed to all students on Thursday 23rd June.

Walk Safely to School Day- Friday 27th May 2016
Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) is an annual event aimed at improving the health and wellbeing of children and young people, and creating a sustainable environment in which regular physical activity can take place.

This year, WSTSD is on Friday 27th May. We are encouraging our school community to walk to school with their children to reinforce safe behaviour and a healthy lifestyle.

Children up to 10 years old should hold an adult’s hand when crossing the road and Walk Safely to School Day asks everyone accompanying their child to help foster the vital road-crossing skills they will need as they become mature adults.

Walking to school not only helps build an understanding of our state’s public transport system it will help reduce our young people’s future dependence on cars as a way of getting around and create regular walking habits at a young age.

Monica Ghirxi
Principal

Mr Napier’s Footy Tippings
Richmond by 120 pts
Sydney by 86 pts
As long as Hawthorn loses and Sydney win, Mr Napier is a very happy man!
## DIARY DATES

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## Kinder Club

![Images of children playing in a classroom setting.](image)
UNIFORM SALES
School uniform items can be purchased directly from the Beleza School Uniform Store at shop 7, 151 – 159 Princess Hwy, Hallam, phone 9702 3181. Mastercard and Visa are accepted. Beleza order forms are also available at the school office. When placing your order you will need to make payment to the school either by cash or by completing your credit card details on the order form. Beleza staff will then deliver your order to the school.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE
Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate available for all families.
Morning: 7.00am – 8.45am Monday to Friday during school term, excluding all Victorian Public Holidays.
Permanent/casual: $15.00.
Breakfast is provided until 8.30am.
Afternoon: 3.30pm – 6.00pm Monday to Friday during school term, excluding all Victorian Public Holidays.
Afternoon snack and drink provided.
Permanent/casual: $19.00.

This week activities include:
- Dramatic play
- Autumn stained glass
- Table setting relay
- Scarecrow puppets
- Movie with popcorn
If you have any concerns please feel free to speak to Shani on 0400 194 859 during session times or come in and have a chat!
Y.L.V Team

SCHOOL BANKING
Don’t forget that EVERY FRIDAY is School Banking day and students should hand in their deposit book first thing on Friday.

IMPORTANT DATES:
19/5/16: School Banking on Thursday due to Friday being a Curriculum Day
20/5/16: Curriculum Day – no school and no School Banking
27/5/16: Last opportunity for making the 1st of 15 deposits required for Australia Zoo competition

REWARDS NEWS: The Term 2 items are now available for ordering – the Mud Splat Handball, and the Outback Pat Bag Tag. The following items are also still available while stocks last: Dollarmites Moneybox, ET DVD, Flying Snake Tail, Galaxy Glider, Intergalactic Rocket, Outer Space Savers Money Box, and Wildlife Writer Set.

AUSTRALIA ZOO COMPETITION:
Students who make a minimum of 15 deposits by the end of Term 3 will automatically go in the running to win a family trip for up to 2 adults and 3 children to explore Australia Zoo and meet Bindi and Robert Irwin! Even if your child hasn’t made any deposits yet this year, there is still time to qualify!

Ingrid Williams
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