



# Thursday Thoughts

Issue 3

Date: 11th February 2016

## Important Dates:

### FEBRUARY

- 11th - Parent Planners home
- 15th - Nominations for School Council
- 22nd - Closing Date for SC nominations
- 24th - List of SC candidates posted
- 26th - Send out SC ballot papers (if needed)
- 26th - New Families/ Foundation/ Buddy BBQ

### MARCH

- 4th - Swimming Carnival
- 7th—Close of SC ballot
- 11th - Declare Poll SC
- 14th - Labour Day Holiday - no school
- 15th - Foundation/ prep students start full time
- 15th - School Council (new) 7.00pm
- 24th - Last Day Term 1

## The Week In Review

It has been a busy fortnight with all grades and classrooms looking bright, organised and settled. All grade members have been involved in establishing an environment that is productive and welcoming. It has been particularly impressive to see the amount of hard work that has gone into setting up classroom libraries. All students are now able to access books that are interesting, engaging and an appropriate level.



**Student Absent  
Hot Line Number  
5964 7783**

A reminder that 'Getting-To-Know-You' interviews are being held next Monday. Investing time to build the partnership between home and school is important and we hope that you feel comfortable to approach your child's classroom teacher (or us) if there are ever any questions or concerns you may have. You will have lots of opportunities in the year ahead to be part of your child's learning journey and we welcome your involvement and support.



## School Values

We have a set of values which underpin the way we organise our programs and work together in the daily life of our school. These values are the guiding principles and expectations which we want to develop within LPPS children as they grow throughout their school years.

**RESPECT RESILIENCE RESPONSIBILITY  
COLLABORATION EXCELLENCE**

## Notices/ Replies

- Parent/ teacher Interview times sent home tomorrow.
- Parent Planners home today.

# Parent Information

## CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

**All applicants must complete and lodge their submission by 29 February 2016. This applies to 2015 applicants seeking funding in 2016.**

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students.



## HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

## Victorian Primary School Nursing Program

Sarah Torsello, a visiting primary school nurse from the Department of Education and Training, will be attending the school to conduct the Foundation/ Prep grade health assessments and to see other children as requested by parents or teachers (with parents' consent).

The purpose of the visit is to provide all Victorian children with the opportunity to have a health assessment; to link children, families and school communities to services available in the community; and to provide information and advice that promotes health and wellbeing.

Parents are invited to contact the visiting primary school nurse if there are any issues they wish to discuss. The contact number for the visiting primary school nurse is 0412 161 468.

Parents of students (other than Prep students) that wish their child to be seen by the school nurse, need to complete a referral form that is available from the school office. This completed referral form needs to be returned to the school office.



## Insurance and Personal Items

The Department of Education and Training has requested that schools remind parents/guardians and staff that the Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property.

DET does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents and guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs.

Thank you for your understanding.

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Keep up to date about what's happening in the classrooms and around the school.

LOGIN details available from the office.



Name		Award
Prep N	Matilda B	Including some independent writing in her journal.
Prep R	Sieanna W	For using great descriptive words about how characters are feeling.
1/2 A	Shae B	Producing her best work no matter what the task
1/2 C	Cienna G	For working hard on every task and making the most of every learning opportunity.
3/4 B	Dean M	Great work habits so early in Term 1.
3/4 M	Jack F	For working hard to complete all tasks and for being an excellent helper to other students in the classroom.
5/6F	Luke C	For making a great start in his new class. It's lovely to have you in my grade!
5/6L	Jack R	For finding interesting new words at home and sharing the meaning with the class.
	Tahnee H	For working hard to complete CAFÉ activities to a very high standard.
5/6 S	Aimee J	For moving up a level in Blitzmaster.
	Storm L	For moving up a level in Blitzmaster.
	Roxy V	For moving up a level in Blitzmaster.



**DECEMBER, 2015**

**JUNIOR AUSSIE OF THE MONTH**

**Douglas B**

**SENIOR AUSSIE OF THE MONTH**

**Zara D**





## From The Classrooms

# Buddies

Last Friday we had our first session with our buddies. We enjoyed spending time and getting to know them better. We have been learning about the letter 'Ss' and made a snake with our buddies.





**Bellbird House**  
**Captains Report**  
**By Maddy and Luke**  
**Week Ending 5/2/2016**

Only 4 grades had house points this week. Bellbird had 12.3 points and finished on top, Yarra was second with 10.8 points, Wattle was third with 10 points and Launch was fourth with 1.7 points.

To work out the **Point Scores** we divided the class house points by how many people were in the house.

HOUSE	BELLBIRD	LAUNCH	WATTLE	YARRA
<b>Last Week</b>	12.3	1.7	10	10.8
<b>POINTS</b>	4	3	2	1

### Community News to Share

We want our newsletter to be a place to celebrate special events in the life of school community members, not just what is happening at school. Often we don't always hear the latest news or the exciting things that people in our community are doing – things like weekend activities, sporting achievements, involvement in clubs or fundraising. If you have appropriate news then please let us know so we can celebrate it as part of our school community newsletter.



### AUTISM & SIBLINGS

**WHAT:** Presentation on "Autism and Siblings" by Donna Williams

**WHEN:** 7-9pm, Thursday 18th February 2016

**WHERE:** Seville Primary School, 639 Warburton Highway, Seville

**BOOKINGS:** Ph: 03 5964 3987

Email: [sevcomh@bigpond.net.au](mailto:sevcomh@bigpond.net.au)

**COST:** \$5 (NOTE that books will also be available - cash only)

"We are a box of crayons  
 each of us unique,  
 but when we get together  
 the picture is complete."



### HAPPY CHINESE NEW YEAR

The Chinese New Year, also known as the Spring festival, is determined by the lunar Chinese calendar, which is why the date changes every year.

This year the Chinese New Year begins on February 8th. Every Chinese New Year is characterised by one of the animals of the Chinese zodiac. 2016 is the year of the Red Monkey.

The monkey is intelligent, smart, curious, energetic, inventive and strong-minded.





## Community



### Lilydale Heights College      Farewell Mr Greg Hancock

After 45 years dedicated to public education and 38 years at Lilydale Heights College, including 10 as Principal, Greg Hancock has chosen to retire. Greg will be remembered by many parents and students as a committed and dedicated leader who built lasting relationships with many families and supported them and their children in education over many years. We wish him every happiness in his retirement

### Welcome Ms Rosina Fotia

The Lilydale Heights community is pleased to welcome Ms Rosina Fotia as Principal of Lilydale Heights College. Rosina has lived in the local community for over 25 years and has gained extensive experience working in schools in the local and surrounding areas over many years.

Rosina is keen to meet families from the Lilydale Heights community and invites you to join her on a tour of the school. Please contact Lilydale Heights on **9735 1133** to arrange a tour with Rosina

### Parents and Friends Association

**Meeting:** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February after assembly in GP Room.

***Calling all 'New ' Members and Committee Members.***

Please come along and join us at our meeting. The current P&F committee are retiring so we encourage everyone to consider coming along to our AGM and becoming part of the P&F team.



### Canteen Note

Well Considering the new day and new menu, Canteen on Friday ran very smoothly and was great. As with all procedures we learn things along the way.

If orders and money can be placed in a paper bag ( or even just write the order on the bag if you run out of forms) that would be appreciated. Also due to orders having to be placed early Thursday afternoon at Seville, lunch orders for Friday can only be accepted prior to 11.20am on the Thursday.

If anyone can spare an hour or two between 12pm & 2.00pm on Friday to assist us with distributing the lunches and counter sales, please see Sonia or leave your name and number at the office.

Thank you everyone.      **Sonia**

**Chicken for sale \$5.00 each**

**Please see Glenn at School**



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[www.edgemartialarts.com.au](http://www.edgemartialarts.com.au)Mt Evelyn, Chirnside Park, Monbulk, Woori  
Yallock

## Yarra Junction Library

We have an after school movie playing at Yarra Junction library for the next few weeks

Time: Tuesdays at 3.45pm

Dates: February 9th, 16th, 23rd and March 1st.

Family entertainment with the theme Man's best friend.



EASTERN REGIONAL LIBRARIES

Quality Family  
Day CareFun House Family Day  
Care

Located in Yarra Junction

Hi, my name is Natalie,

If you are looking for quality  
childcare in a warm, loving, clean  
and friendly home environment,  
then I may be able to help you.I am very active in the community,  
involving the children in  
playgroups and Story Time at our  
local library.I am also able to offer all kinder  
runs, before and After School Care  
and school pickups if numbers  
permit.The scheme I operate under is Let's  
Go Family Day Care.

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EARTH FESTIVAL 2016  
YARRA JUNCTION

**SUNDAY, 10TH APRIL,  
10AM-4PM  
YARRA JUNCTION  
PARKLANDS**

**FEATURING  
HIP HOP ARTIST  
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ALL DAY**

RECYCLED FASHION PARADE	MARKET STALLS	SILENT DISCO
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## Extend Before and After School Care at Launching Place Primary School



Have you heard the good news?

Extend is delighted to deliver a Before School Care and After School Care service to Launching Place Primary School.

Read further information and estimate your out of pocket expense at [extend.com.au](http://extend.com.au).

### QUESTIONS?

Check out the FAQs on our website which contains useful information for new parents.

### PARENT PORTAL:

[extend.com.au](http://extend.com.au)

### Our Team Leader - Michelle

This week we have had Michelle start at the program. Michelle has had a background in child care and also in after school care. Michelle's hobbies include: outdoor activities, cooking, and colouring-in. Please head over to the After School Care room to introduce yourself and say hello.

### Enrol now for Before & After School Care

Enrolling is quick and easy! Simply enrol and set up your account online at [extend.com.au](http://extend.com.au). Please note – all children must be enrolled before attending.

### Operating hours and fees:

#### Before School Care: 7.00am – 8.45am

\$16.00 permanent, \$20.00 casual

\*YOU PAY BETWEEN: \$4.90 - \$8.00 for a permanent booking

#### After School Care: 3.30pm – 6.00pm

\$19.50 permanent, \$23.50 casual

\*YOU PAY BETWEEN: \$5.32 - \$9.75 for a permanent booking

*Emergency on-the-day bookings incur an additional \$5 fee, which is no more than \$2.50 after fee relief.*

\*Child Care Benefits and the non-income tested 50% Child Care Rebate of up to \$7500 apply for eligible families. Fees are per child per session.

### Fee Relief – the facts

**Fact 1:** The Child Care Rebate (CCR) is NOT income tested! We encourage you to apply!

**Fact 2:** 50% is the minimum reduction you may receive in your fees. Further benefits may apply to you.

## Yarra Valley Soccer Club Season Launch

### Registration Day

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February 11am-2pm

Wickhams Oval

Launching Place



Soccer drills, games and activities will be happening on the Day from 11.30am

Sausage sizzle and soft drinks all proceeds go to club

New Players Welcome

### Valley Soccer Kids

A program for ages 5 Years to 12 years, which helps develop a player's football skills and promote interest in soccer. A skills based program for all juniors held on Sunday mornings. Term by term program.



Juniors Teams Ages 8 to 16 years

Seniors Men and Women 16 years and over

Please remember Maximum 16 players per squad. Please register and make payment in full as soon as possible to secure your spot.



Enquiries

please contact Andrew Devisser on 0439 034 278  
or Andrew Woolley on 0413 666 392

Expressions of Interest taken for experienced and suitable coaches and assistants to compliment existing dedicated team.

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