

# **Thursday Thoughts**

Issue 3

Date: 14th February 2019

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

#### **February**

**15th** - Prep/ Buddy/ New Families BBQ 5.30pm

**20th** - 'Getting to Know You' Parent/ teacher interviews

#### March

**8th -** Whole school swimming carnival

**11th** - Labour Day holiday - Pupil Free day

12th - Preps start full time

20th - Curriculum Day - Pupil Free Day

#### **April**

5th - Last Day of term

2.30 finish

### **School Council**

<u>February</u> 11th - Nominations for School Council

**18th** - Closing Date for SC nominations

**20th** - List of SC candidates posted

**22nd** - Send out SC ballot papers (if needed)

March 4th - Close of SC ballot

8th - Declare Poll SC

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#### Melbourne Football Club Visit LPPS

Last Thursday we were very excited to welcome a group of Melbourne Football club players to our school.

Students in grades 5 & 6 were eager to learn a little more about all of the great things that AFL football offers. The AFL School's Program aims to provide information about football while encouraging children to participate in junior/youth football, as well as physical activity. By



participating in school visits and game development activities, players emphasise the benefits associated with playing sport such as teamwork, leadership and resilience. A big thankyou to Melbourne FC for providing this opportunity.



#### **School Nursing Program**

Sarah Torsello, the visiting primary school nurse from the Department of Education and Training, will be visiting LPPS in a couple of weeks, to conduct the 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.

Please see us if you wish to discuss the School Nursing Program further.



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### **Assembly**





### **School Captain's Report**

Prep: The preps have made an excellent start to their schooling. We have learnt about the letter S and the numbers 1-7. We read some big books and talked about what happened. After reading we sequenced pictures from the story.

1/2: We've settled into our new classes really well and have enjoyed getting stuck into our CAFÉ program. We all have good fit

books and are learning about how to increase our reading stamina. We've been using our Writer's Notebook to explore fun ideas and have begun Place Value work in Maths.

3/4: In 3/4, we started our integrated studies topic "What's eating you?" This is all about food webs and what animals eat. We have set up our expectations for CAFÉ reading and writing. We continued to explore place value in maths.

5/6: The 5/6's are ready for a great year of learning. We have been revising our school and grade expectations and getting to know our new teachers. We have been setting up our Writer's Notebook and reading journals. In maths we have focussed on place value.





### Student Awards

Name		Award	
1/2C	Izabella S	For wonderful focus during our mindfulness session.	
	Robert T	For being a dedicated learner who has had an outstanding start to the year!	
	Leni N	For concentrating and focusing during a 'Smiling Mind' session.	
3/4F	Ella P	For outstanding manners in class!	
5/6L	Cienna G	For displaying excellent work habits and a positive attitude towards learning.	
	Chelsea S	For always trying her best and completing work to a super high standard.	
	Reuben H	For great work during maths.	



#### **Bluebird Music Studio**

Bluebird Music studio are providing music lessons at the school during the day on Wednesdays and some Fridays.

Contact Richard and Kym on 0431839491 bluebirdmusicstudios@yahoo.com



or by email:



## Prep/Buddy/New Families BBQ

#### When:

Friday 15th February

#### Time:

5.00pm - 7.00pm

We hope that you can join us





Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Word search	Colouring in	Painting &	Crossword &	Pancake
& Basketball	& Bead craft	Outdoor Play	Backboards	Friday &
				Bumble Bee
				Craft

#### The Extend Superstar is...

This week's Extend Superstar is Taleisha for being an exceptional role model during Extend sessions.

### What's been happening?

This week has been great fun! We had an amazing time on Monday creating slime and challenging ourselves to complete word searches. On Tuesday we really enjoyed colouring in and creating aliens using lots of cool materials. The Kids had a great time on Wednesday using paints to create cards and pictures for family and friends as well as eating icy poles! Thursday was a fun day with kids challenging themselves to complete a crossword and having heaps of fun on the playground. On Friday we had a great time playing sprout ball and eating pancakes!



### **School Council**

#### **LPPS - School Council Elections 2019**

Our first School Council meeting for 2019 will be held next Monday 11th February. This meeting will be the final meeting for the existing School Council and therefore the final meeting for some of our hard working School Council members. We are now looking at forming our new SC – at present we require parent members (either new or present members re-electing). Please take the time to look at the election procedures and timeline below. If you require more information, please speak to one of our school councillors or contact the office.

#### What is a school council and what does it do?

All Government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of a school within centrally provided guidelines. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

#### Who is on the school council?

There are three possible categories of membership:

- A mandated elected Parent category. More than one third of the total members must be from this category.
   Department of Education and Training (DET) employees can be Parent members at their child's school as long as they are not employed at the school.
- A mandated elected DET employee category. Members of this category may make up no more than one third of the total membership of school council. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members.
- An optional Community member category. Its members are appointed by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. DET employees are not eligible to be Community members.

The term of office for all members is two years. Half the members must retire each year, creating vacancies for the annual school council elections.

#### Why is Parent membership so important?

Parents on School Council provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school. Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying in itself and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

#### How can you become involved?

The most obvious way is to vote in the elections, which are held in Term 1 each year. However, ballots are only held if more people nominate as candidates than there are positions vacant. In view of this, you might seriously consider standing for election as a member of the school council encouraging another person to stand for election.

#### Do I need special experience to be on school council?

No. What you do need is an interest in your child's school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school's future.

#### **TIMELINE FOR OUR 2019 SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS:**

- 1. Notice of Election and call for nominations: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019.
- 2. Close of nominations: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 4 p.m.
- 3. List of Candidates Posted: Wednesday 20th February.
- 4. Ballot paper distributed if more nominations than vacancies are received in either or both categories: Friday 22nd Feb.
- 5. Close of ballot: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 4.00 p.m.
- 6. Counting of votes (March 8<sup>th</sup>), declaration of the poll and announcement to the community: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March.

#### If you have any questions please come and see us for a chat.

Nomination forms are available from the office.









#### **2019 Junior Program**

#### -Junior Summer Program- For all age groups

Time- Every Wednesday, starting **Wednesday 6th Feb 5.00pm to 6.30pm (running until Wednesday 20th March)** 

Location- Millgrove Recreation Reserve Format- Skills and small sided games

Cost- \$20 per child for whole 7 week program.

Registration- Please complete the following link to register for

program https://yarravalley.typeform.com/to/IDXOTf

#### -Regular Junior Season 2019

Seeking boys and girls of all age groups to help fill Under 10's,11's,12's',13's',14's teams and build on strong season last year.

#### -Valley Kids Soccer Program

- -Generally for younger players not yet ready for competitive games
- skills training and small sided games every Wednesday 5pm-6pm

You can register for Junior season and Valley kids via link Junior Registration Form

Junior Training and Valley Kids will commence **Wednesday 27th March at Millgrove Recreation Reserve** 5pm. Location will move to Wickhams Road, Launching Place after daylight savings is finished

Please note any junior participants registering for both Summer program and regular junior season will only pay the normal junior registration fee of \$170, So summer program will be free.

#### Senior Men and Senior Women's Season 2019

Registrations are now open for our senior teams, please complete the following link Senior Men and Women's Registration

Training will commence **Wednesday 6th Feb at Millgrove Recreation Reserve at 7pm.**Location will move to Wickhams Road, Launching Place after daylight savings is finished.





# **Pulls**

Hi. I'm Chelsea Simmons and I'm in Junior School Council and I'm doing a fundraiser for the Royal Children's Hospital. What I'm doing is collecting ring-pulls. Why? you are probably thinking. Well, if you collect these and bring them into the office, there will be a tub I've made that you can put them in. At the Royal Children's Hospital, they make prosthetic limbs out of them and they can save many children's lives. So if you would like to help by collecting your ring-pulls at home or on days like; free dress day, pyjama day, AFL day, book character day etc. Thank you so much, I really appreciate it.





Kind regards,
Chelsea Simmons.

#### Launching Place Primary School Menu 2019

- Please ensure their lunch orders are written on a paper bag with the exact money enclosed (if
  paying for multiple siblings then please indicate clearly)
- Please note: a charge of 10c will be added to your lunch order if no paper bag supplied
- Whilst every endeavour will be made to provide exactly what is ordered there maybe occasions where this is not possible- the closest possible alternative will be provided.
- We will make every effort to cater for dietary requirements. Please ring Leanne on 0403239941 or Brad 0414257524 if you have any questions.

Sandwiches & Salads				
Salad	\$2.50			
Ham or chicken & Salad	\$3.00			
Ham or Chicken & Cheese	\$2.50			
Sweet Chilli Sub (wlettuce, chicken tender)	\$2.50			
Salad Tray (meat \$1 extra)	\$4.00			
Fruit Salad (term 1 & 4)	\$3.00			
Homemade Soup (term 2 & 3)	\$2.00			
Extras:				
50c bread roll/wrap or extras: egg, avocado				
20c Toasted				

\$3.00
\$4.00
\$5.00
\$3.00

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Snacks	
Crunch Pack (Carrot, apple, cheese, Riscults)	\$2.00
Dip pack (carrot, cucumber, dia, biscuits)	\$2.00
Popcorn	80c
Hot Jam Donut	\$1.30
Slices (M&Ms, Topdeck, Cookie/Cream, Crunchie)	\$2.00
Jelly Tub	\$1.00
Choc Balls (3)	\$1.00

Hot Food (20c extra for sauce)						
4n20 Pie	\$3.00					
Chicken Snitzel Wrap	\$3.00					
Party pies	\$1.00					
Sausage Roll - Jumbo	\$3.00					
<ul> <li>Regular</li> </ul>	\$1.80					
Ham & Pineapple pizza	\$2.20					
Dim sim (Steamed)	\$1.00					
Corn on the cob	\$1.00					
Hot dog (cheese extra 20c)	\$2.50					
Puppy dog (cheese extra 10c)	\$1.50					
Garlic Bread (cheese extra 20c)	\$1.30					
Nachos	\$3.00					
Chicken nuggets (4)	\$2.00					
Vegetarian spring roll	\$1.00					
Bolognaise Pasta (w/cheese) small	\$3.00					
Large	\$4.00					
Drinks						

\$1.00

\$1.70

\$2.70

\$3.70

**Bottled Water** 

100% Juice (Apple, Nadourrant, Orange)

Oak Milk (Vanilla, Chocolate, Strawberry)

Small S

Large



## **Thriving Families Workshop**



This workshop is for parents and carers who are keen to hear practical strategies, ideas and encouragement on supporting your family to thrive.

For many families, home is far from a haven from the rush of life. Instead, it's a war zone where parents are stretched and often pushed to breaking point. This leaves many parenting to survive rather than parenting to make their household thrive. Join Paediatric Occupational Therapist, Hannah Gamble as we explore keys to establishing a positive family culture in your home. Thriving Families is for all and includes strategies to support siblings of children with additional needs.

This workshop will explore the ingredients of love, affirmation, and boundaries. You will learn how to parent from your value system, create a calm home environment, foster an attitude of grafitude in your kids, develop family rituals, nurture your own needs, integrate sensory support into each day and much more.

Presenter: Hannah Gamble, Paediatric Occupational Therapist

Thrive Occupational Therapy for Kids

Date: Tuesday 26th February 2019

Time: 7pm - 9pm with doors open from 6:30pm

Price: \$15 including GST

Location: Healesville High School, 10 Camerons Road, Healesville 3777

To book your ticket: https://www.eventorite.com/e/thriving-families-tickets-

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www.spectrumjourneys.org.au

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# What is the 3R's of Family Violence training?

The 3R's of Family Violence is a 3 hr family violence training to teach professionals in mainstream settings how to:

- Recognise signs of family violence
- Respond to disclosures of family violence
- Refer to specialist family violence services

EDVOS are offering **FREE** family violence training sessions to workers in the Eastern Metropolitan Region.

Sessions require a minimum of 10 participants, run for 3 hrs and can be scheduled at a time and venue that is convenient.

If not us...who?
If not now...when?

Upcoming training session details:





# Is your young child experiencing worry, anxiety or fear?

Then register for...

# The Brave Program

for parents and caregivers of young children

A FREE online program that provides parents and caregivers of young children aged 3 to 7 with information and skills to help their child overcome fears and anxiety.



ttps://brave4you.psy.uq.edu.au



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To keep this program free for all Australian families, anonymous data is collected at registration and during the program use, to help us track the success of the program. Some of this data may be used for research purposes



Four FREE online self-help sessions







# HILLCREST CFA RECRUITING NOW



Hillcrest Fire Brigade is looking for community minded men and women who are ready to join a team of volunteers who protect the communities of Don Valley, Launching Place and Woori Yallock in a range of different ways. Hillcrest CFA is now seeking NEW volunteers to be operational firefighters and non-operational members.

Have you ever seen the fire a truck heading out or at an incident and thought I wonder if I could do that? Have you ever wondered if you have what it takes to be a firefighter?

Do you want to do something to help your community?

Do you want to learn new skills?

If you answered YES to any of these questions - NOW is the perfect time to do something about it!

We have firefighters of all ages and all backgrounds as members of Hillcrest Fire Brigade.

If you live or work in Don Valley, Launching Place or Woori Yallock and if you are 16 years of age or older and you think you can help — we invite you attend free information session where you can find out all you need to know about being a CFA volunteer. Light refreshments, tea and coffee will be available.

Date: Tuesday 26 February 2019

Time: 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Location: Hillcrest Fire Station, 1763 Warburton Highway Woori Yallock

Newer and more experienced members will be there to explain the recruitment and selection process, training requirements and explain what it is like to be a volunteer firefighter helping your community.

Phone Captain Fiona Burns on 0418 889 194 for more information.