

A Rich Past, Present & Future

DIARY DATES

Monday 18th February Finance & Fundraising 6.30pm School Council 7.15pm

Wednesday 20th February Prep Testing

Thursday 21st February School Picnic - 5.30pm

Wednesday 27th February Leadership Day - Yr 6

Monday 11th March Labour Day - NO SCHOOL

Tuesday 12th March Curriculum Day - NO SCHOOL

Monday 18 March Parent Helpers Information Session at 9.30am

Monday 25 - Wednesday 27 Ace-Hi Camp Yrs 3-6





Friday, 15th February, 2019 Term 1: Week 3





Principal's Report

SCHOOL PICNIC

will be starting at 5:30pm on the oval. This is a great, relaxed event where our school community gets together in the evening for a picnic and a catch up. It is also a good chance for our newest parents to meet with others.

We will be running some races and fun events for the students during the afternoon.

Please make sure you have your picnic rug and basket ready, pack some yummy food (or organise take away) and plan for a fun night together.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

The school was alive on Wednesday night with conversations about our students and their learning needs. This was a great opportunity to meet the teachers and establish home and school communication and routines. Of course, if you ever have questions/concerns you would like addressed, we are always available.

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Our staff had the absolute privilege at

the end of the week to listen to our Grade 6's present their speeches/applications for this year's leadership positions.

We were incredibly proud of our PHPS students who spoke of their commitment and connection to our school and presented very convincing reasons why they would be great in leadership positions. The composure and confidence with which this group of students spoke was astounding.

Of course this made it incredibly difficult for the staff to select out of such an impressive group. As we said to our Grade 6's, regardless of the badges and official titles, every one of them is a leader in our school and we will be looking to them throughout the year to provide support and guidance to each other and our whole school community.

Having said that we would like to congratulate our new Captains, Vice Captains and Grade 6 Junior School Councillors:

CAPTAINS:

Tysha Baldwin & Charlie McGhee

VICE CAPTAINS: Shenae Spratling & Jed Bardon

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCILLORS: Chloe Shaw & Gus Willins

585 Main Rd. Panton Hill – Ph: 9719 7202 www.pantonhill.vic.edu.au Well done to our new leadership team. I really look forward to working with you this year.

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL **ELECTIONS**

On Monday elections were held for the Junior School Council representative positions in all grades from 2-5. Previously, students wishing to be considered made a short speech in front of their peers before voting was held.

This year, one of our Grade 5 students, Bridget put forward a suggestion that we change the format of voting. Her suggestion was that candidates write down their speech which is anonymously read out by the teacher. Students then vote. On speaking with Bridget, she felt that this would mean students were voting on content rather than popularity. This idea was taken to the staff room for discussion where it was decided that we should trial her idea.

After this new process, the feedback that **EMERGENCY DRILL** we have had from the students was positive. I am really proud of Bridget for thinking of ways that we can improve our processes and formally putting her idea forward.

Congratulations to our newly elected Junior School Council representatives:

GR 2: Huw Whitworth and Ayesha Elkhishin

GR 3: Harrison Cahir and Summer Lynch with Hannah Bozik and Charlotte Friede as Vice JSC

GR 4: Matilda Baldwin and Lockie Worrell with Meg Jacka and Campbell Parker as Vice

GR 5: Lily Scrivener and Jaxon McLaughlin and Tarli Bardon and Oliver Louis as vice.

Our School Leadership team and Junior School Councillors will be presented with their badges at assembly on Monday.

SWIMMING

As I am writing this, I am looking forward

to heading to Diamond Creek to watch some of our students compete in the district swimming event. I have seen a



mixture of nerves and excitement as they LOST PROPERTY head off.

I will let you all know of the results next week.

SCHOOL CROSSING

It is very important that when coming to or from school that you use the school crossing and abide by the crossing rules. For the safety of all involved, please make sure that you wait behind the yellow line and only cross once Deb, our supervisor indicates that it's safe to cross by blowing her whistle.

This rule applies to both adults and children. In fact, as adults we have a greater responsibility to model safe behaviour to our students.

Our emergency bushfire drill was held yesterday with the Pre-School and the Occasional Care involved. This was our first opportunity to trial a drill with our new shutters which worked beautifully.

All students were evacuated very promptly and efficiently.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

School Council nominations will be closing on Monday afternoon at 4pm. Forms can be collected from the office and returned to the box at the office window.

FUNDRAISING 2019

A meeting for anyone interested in being part of the Fundraising planning for 2019 will be held in the staff room at 3pm today. All are welcome – we're a friendly bunch!

Alison Tomming & Fundraising Team

Please please please, if you have purchased second hand uniform please rename it so that it can be returned to your child.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our school photos are booked in for Wednesday the 13th March. Make sure you have those haircuts booked and maybe practise saying "cheese" a bit over the next few weeks.

CURRICULUM DAY

Our first curriculum day is on Tuesday the 12th March. This will be a pupil free day.

CSEF - FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

CSEF (Camps, Sport, Excursion Fund) is financial assistance available for parents who currently hold either a Pension card or a Health Care card. It is \$125 per student per year.

Please see Deb at the office for an application form as soon as possible.

If you received CSEF last year and you still have a current health care or pension card, there is no need to re-apply for 2019.

Kylie Richards



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Outside School Hours News

Welcome back to OSHC! As most of our regular families have seen, there was a big clean up over the school holidays and we are all enjoying the new space. Feel free to pop in and have a look.
We are very lucky to have some new children starting at the service from the Pre-School next door and with that comes the introduction of a new staff member at OSHC Megan Wright. Megan will be working with us primarily Tuesday to Thursday afternoons when the kinder kids join us. This means it is now very important that you make your bookings in advance if you require the service on these days. If you wish to make recurring bookings or if you are having any issues making bookings via the Xplor app please feel free to call OSHC and leave a message or pop in anytime for a chat.

	SPORTING	SCHOOLS PROGRA	AM - TERM 1
TUESDAYS:	Volleyball	12th February - 19th March	3.30 – 4.30pm
THURSDAYS:	Cricket	14th February - 21st March	3.30 – 4.30pm
Coach:	n: Phil Crawford - Kidzplay		
All children booked for OSHC on these days will be participating in the program.			
There are limited places available. Please see the list at the office.			
Please collect your child at <u>4.30pm</u> if not booked into OSHC following the Sporting Schools program.			

Zoe Herrett - OSHC Co-ordinator and Megan Wright - OSHC Assistant



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Shannon comes from a large multi-modality clinic in Lower Plenty, wanting to also be able to support her local community in good health.

Passionate and experienced in helping you find your health balance.

- Oncology support
 - Hormones
- Thyroid
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Interested to understand more about how Shannon may help you, book in for

a 15 minute complimentary consult online. https://the-naturopathic-balance.cliniko.com/bookings#service