



DIARY DATES

Friday 5 April

Last Day of Term 1
Easter Raffle & Assembly 2.10pm
Students dismissed at 2.30pm

Tuesday 23 April

First Day of Term 2 - 9am

Thursday 25 April

ANZAC Day - No School

Friday 26 April

Buildings & Grounds 8.30am Interschool Sport Yrs 4-6 PHPS v WGPS (home)

Monday 29 April

OSHC Committee Meeting 6pm Finance & Fundraising 6.30pm School Council Meeting 7.15pm

Friday 3 May

Interschool Sport Yrs 4-6 PHPS v ACPS (away)



Principal's Report

It has been a couple of weeks since we have communicated through the newsletter and it certainly feels like lots has happened in that time.

Of course, our school camp dominated the week for our Grade 3-6 students last week. We had a great time at Ace Hi and were kept incredibly busy. A report on the camp has been included by our students so I wont steal their thunder.

I would like to make special mention of our staff and parent helpers who gave up their three days to assist the kids on camp. We had a fantastic team of adults with us who were at times equally as excited about the great activities. Thankyou to Liz Danson, Shannon Carlin, Sonia Forsyth-Grant and Bec Ditcham who were our parent helpers. Thanks also to Mr Hurst, Miss Payne, Miss Brindley and Mrs Howard for your great organisation and time at camp. It is a common held belief that adults (including teachers) are paid for the extra hours that they put in on these camps. I'm sure the staff would love for that to be the case!

THANKYOU

Thankyou to our team of Easter helpers for organising our Easter chocolates and Hot Cross Buns. Thanks to Bec Ditcham for ordering everything, to Deb in the office for all of the paperwork, Andrea Creighton and Liz Danson for wrapping the raffle prizes and

packaging the chocolates and buns, Lorraine O'Connor who collected the buns and packaged them and Kirsten Renouf who returned the crates to the shop. This was a good example of many hands making light work.

OPEN DAY AND EVENING

The date has been set for our 2019 Open Day and Evening on **Tuesday the 21st of May.** The school will be open for all members of the community, prospective parents and of course current parents to wander through the classrooms and see our students at work.

We will also have a special evening event where all parents are asked to come along with their children and join in with a hands on science night. This is a great opportunity to work alongside your child on science concepts.

NEW STAFF MEMBER

Next term Deb has decided to drop back to 4 days per week and will continue as the school's Business Manger from Monday to Thursday. After an application and interview process Leanne Cleary is the successful applicant and will be joining the PHPS team on a Friday in the Administration Assistant role. We are very happy to welcome Leanne to our team.

TERM 2 - HATS

According to our revised Sunsmart policy it is now necessary for students to continue wearing school hats until the end of April.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

We hope everyone has a fantastic school holiday break and enjoys this family time. Happy Easter and we will see you all back at school on **Tuesday the 23rd of April.**

Value Award Winners

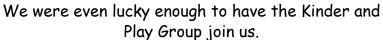
Bella Ferguson-McLellan

Kylie Richards

EASTER BONNET PARADE

Our school had a wonderful Easter Bonnet Parade on Wednesday where all our artistic

talent was displayed with hats made at school.



After the parade, the Kinder children, with the grade 5 students, enjoyed an exciting, fluffy chicken hunt around the bird sanctuary.

Sam and Tane are pretty happy with their efforts!





Watch this space!

We have a very exciting term ahead with our inaugural School Disco and Trivia Night, and we'll have some great opportunities for parents and friends of the school to help out with the planning of both events.

Keep an eye on newsletter and app notices after the holidays for details of upcoming planning meetings. All are welcome! Alison Tovey



** Important Information for OSHC parents **

Instructions to receive the Child Care Subsidy (CCS)

- 1. See either Deb or Zoe to enrol for OSHC. You will require the primary carer's CRN and the child's CRN. Once enrolled you will receive an email welcoming you to Xplor. You will be required to download the Xplor app to you phone. The app is used <u>only to make bookings</u> for care.
- You will need to access <u>web.myxplor.com</u> on your computer to approve your child's enrolment at Panton Hill Primary OSHC service. Click on 'CCS Agreements' to <u>sign</u> your child's <u>Complying Written Agreement</u> (CWA). This step is necessary for the enrolment to migrate to Mygov.
- 3. Then access your Mygov account, select Panton Hill OSHC to approve your child's enrolment to the service. On Mygov select Centrelink—Claims—Claims Family—CCS (first option).
- 4. You will also need to do the <u>required activity test</u>. The activity test calculates the percentage of your entitlement to the Child Care Subsidy (CCS) which is applied to your account.

You will NOT receive the Child Care Subsidy (CCS) until you have completed all of the required steps above.

Raising awareness, acceptance and celebrating difference for Autism in women.



You may have seen Mrs Lingard, Eswin and Eswin's family wearing yellow on Tuesday the 2nd of April. That's because this was National Autism day and they were wearing yellow to shine a light on autistic girls and women.

Grade 1 Camp Week

While the Grade 3 – 6s were on camp and the Grade 2 students were busy doing a project together, the Grade 1 students were given the opportunity to voice some special things they would like to do this week.

After lots of suggestions there were two main things which the Grade 1's wanted to do – an extra art session and some baking.

We made the time to do both of these things. We spent a generous amount of time working in the Art room creating our own 'Rainbow Fish' using water colour and pastels, as well as baked some vanilla cupcakes together.















YOUTH WEEK 2019



Come to see the new ATTRACTIONS to mark the Centenary of WW1 ending.

Open from Saturday 6th – Sunday 14th open 10am to 5pm Daily. Bring Your Own Pionic. Tables provided. Talks 10-12noon Daily with Award Winning Author Mick Wolwod. Special Launch Date: 10am Saturday April 6th 2019.

Book through: Friends of Kangaroo Ground War Memorial Park Inc

Please ring:

President Vice President Sacratans Dennis Ward 0418 356 768 Neil Marshall 0417 128 109 Ross McDonald 0409 123 054

Please bring a PICNIC to share afterwards.

Your Guides:

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375 Eltham - Yarra Glen Rd, Kangaroo Ground

ANZAC DAY 2019





Friends of Kangaroo Ground War Memorial Park Inc. Tennisprograms VICTORIA
'A program for everyone'

www.tennisprogramsvictoria.com
Holiday Program!
Tuesday 09/04/2019 And 16/04/2019
Players will be grouped according to ages and skills. All ages and skills are welcome. Pack your own lunch and Drink.

Focus on techniques
Focus on game play

Competition challenges Prizes to be won SHOTS

Call or email to book your spot by 05/04/2019. Payments taken on the

Paul Mick Director of coaching

Phone: 0415 511 150

Email: p.emick2011@gmail.com

Norris Bank Tennis Club, McLeans Road, Bundoora

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Service Starts sharp at 10.30am, On 25.04.2019
375 Kangaroo Ground - Yarra Glen Road, Kangaroo Ground
Light refreshments to follow.



Thinking about **Secondary School?**

Open Day

Saturday 4 May 2019

9.30am - 2.00pm

New Observatory and cutting edge robotic telescope available for viewing

Register online at elthamcollege.vic.edu.au/open-day



Growing hearts and minds

Explore unlimited possibilities.



The best way to discover what makes CLC different, is to meet us.

Tuesday, 30 April 2019 9:00 am.

Limited tour spots available, book online.

Enrolment applications for Year 7, 2021 close on 23 August.

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ACE HI CAMP!

From Monday the 25th of March to Wednesday the 27th of March, the grade 3's to 6's went to Ace Hi Ranch in Boneo. We all had a GREAT time

Horse riding

Every group had the option to do horse riding. We all were all taught how to mount, dismount, turn, stop and go. We were all given a horse to ride around the property. It was a massive game of follow the leader. The ride was around 5 kilometers and took 45 minutes. Everyone had a great time even if some were a little bit nervous. Thanks to Ace Hi for lending us the horses and guiding the way.





Giant Swing

The giant swing is really fun. If you're not having a turn you pull the rope that makes the person go to the top. When you have your turn you get in a harness, get hooked up and you get pulled up to the top. You then count down from three and then you pull a green ball that detaches you from the rope and then you swing. The swing is 18 metres in the air.







Food!

The food at camp was definitely the best we've ever had. For breakfast there was a big variety of choices from cereals to toast and eggs, to hash browns. We definitely weren't hungry afterwards. For morning and afternoon tea there was a selection of fruits and little treats such as rhubarb and coconut slice and cheese and crackers. Lunch was very enjoyable as we had hamburgers the seconded day and rolls the last day. For dinner the first night we had spaghetti bolognaise and for dinner the second night we had chicken schnitzel. With dinner there were lots of vegetables which all tasted very fresh. Amazingly, we got dessert both nights which was chocolate mousse and ice-cream. Thank you to the chefs for making and providing us with delicious and healthy foods.

Free Time

In our free time there were a range of activities such as: basketball, netball, volleyball, football, looking at animals, running around, chilling out and throwing a vortex.

Free time was a great time to catch up with your friends and talk about what activities you have been

doing.

Crate Stack

We all had a fun time doing crate stack. We had to build and climb up as many crates as we could. When we first got to camp the record was 9 but lots of people beat that, at the start it was beaten by 2 and by the end the top score was 12. There were 3 sets of people in every group. One set used ropes to pull the people climbing up, one set was climbing and the third set got to sit and have a rest. We all loved trying to get as high as we could and had a great time doing it.





THE FLYING FOX

CLIMBING UP THE HILL WAS HARD AND LONG BUT IT WAS ALL WORTH IT. IT WAS SCARY AT FIRST BUT IT TURNED OUT TO BE FUN. WHEN YOU FIRST JUMP OFF THE PLATFORM IT FEELS LIKE THE ZIPLINE WILL BREAK FROM THE PLATFORM, BUT WHEN YOU CALM DOWN A BIT IT IS SO MUCH FUN WHILE GOING DOWN THE ZIPLINE. IT WAS ONLY FIRST 20 METRES THAT WAS SCARY BUT THE OTHER 250 METRES WERE FUN.

Mountain Boarding

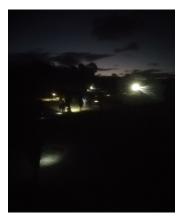
Mountain Boarding is a snowboard with off road wheels. You got strapped in by your feet. If you wanted to go down the hill slowly you went down diagonally and if you wanted to go down fast, you went straight down. If you wanted to turn you either push down on your heels or toes so you didn't crash into something. Some people went over the jumps and crashed, it was funny. When we were finishing most of us rode down the massive hill, it was really fun.





Night Walk

On Monday night after dinner, everyone went for a walk over the 200 acre property of Ace Hi Ranch. It was a good walk with some nice scenery (except it was dark and we couldn't see anything). We stopped a few times to look at interesting things like the north star, southern cross and the saucepan in the sky. We also stopped to see some surrounding distant towns and we even saw the faint glow of Melbourne. We did a big loop and ended up right back outside our cabins ready for bed. It was really fun.



Red faces and Celebrity Heads



On the second night we all gathered in the hall to perform our acts for red faces. There were a variety of different acts from answering dinosaur questions to rapping. Some of the grade 3's & 4's rewrote Cinderella into Cindersmella and the grade six girls did a random dance. Coby, Layne and Oliver got the crowd in fits of laughter pretending to be snakes. A couple of people had a dance battle and Oliver came out on top.

After red faces we played celebrity heads. Mr Hurst asked for suggestions and for the first round the people we had were

Mrs Richards, Donald Trump and Nemo. The second round we had Kira being herself, the Queen and Dora the explorer. The final round was Taylor Swift, Dave { on of the ace-hi staff} and Peppa Pig. It was a really fun night and everyone had a laugh.

Rock Climbing

Rock climbing was so fun. You get strapped into a harness that connects to the top of the rock wall. There are two sides to the wall, one side was diagonal and the other side was straight. Rock climbing is very fun and challenging. All the rocks are far apart but it's good because it gives you a challenge.



Initiative Course

The initiative course was a great team building activity at camp. It had a wide selection of fun activities to do with your group. Most of the activities were to do with trust and working as a team. These consisted of trust falls, helping people through tires, swinging over crocodile pits (not really, don't stress) and lots more. We all had heaps of fun and it was great to build our trust and teamwork skills. Our favourite activity of the initiatives course was probably the crocodile pit and the trust fall exercises. We found it very entertaining and we loved every moment.

Ace-Hi Camp Boneo 2019

On Monday the 25th of March, our grades 3-6 along with teachers and parent helpers set off to Ace-Hi camp in Boneo. When we arrived at camp, all the students settled into their cabins and prepared for their first activity. We had a rotation of 6 different activities consisting of rock climbing, an initiative course, flying fox, the giant swing, crate stacking and horse riding. We went on a wonderful night walk on the first night, with Dave our camp leader taking us through the camp property and showing us some beautiful night time sites.

The next day, the students rotated through 4 of the 6 available activities. The students were having a ball participating in activities that were testing their limits, offering rewarding challenges and opportunities to work as a team. The second night consisted of an entertaining Red Faces performances. Groups of students and individuals performed skits and talents to the group. We were particularly entertained by some miming and dinosaur facts. After such a busy day, everyone was straight to sleep and ready to finish our last day at camp.

On the last day, our students were awake early, packing, tidying cabins and preparing for our final activity for the camp. We were welcomed with perfect, sunny weather which made our final activities very fun. After our last activity, we had lunch and we were on the bus and leaving Ace-Hi for another year.

Thank you to our parent helpers Sonia, Shannon, Liz and Bec for attending and supporting our students and staff on the camp. A big thankyou to the staff, especially Mr Hurst for organising such a fun and successful camp. Lastly, thank you to our wonderful students for challenging themselves and being so well-behaved during camp.







