

Present & Future

# **DIARY DATES**

Friday 16th August Working Bee—TODAY Thursday 22nd August Book Week activity day Friday 23rd August **Book Week incursion** Friday 30th August 5/6 Hooptime Monday 2nd September 4/5 Market Day Friday 6th September **District Athletics** Thursday 12th September **Division Athletics** Friday 13th September Panton Hill's Got Talent Friday 20th September Footy Dress-up Day Last day Term 3 — 2:30pm dismissal Skool Bag



Friday 16th August, 2019 Term 3: Week 5

# Principal's Report OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

I am really pleased to be able to announce that Michael Russell, known to us as Dash will be taking over the coordination role of our Outside School Hours Care program as of Monday next week. Dash has been helping us out as a casual assistant when required over the previous month so is very familiar with many of our OSHC regulars and with our service.

We are also very fortunate to have a new casual assistant, Amie Grisold joining the PHPS staff. Amie is a local of Panton Hill and is one of our ex students.

We welcome both Dash and Amie to the Panton Hill Primary family and look forward to working with you both.

# LUNCH ORDERS

After considerable parent feedback , we have been in discussions with the Panton Hill Store regarding our existing lunch order arrangement. It was agreed by both the store and School Council that we should consider other options. As a result we have entered into an arrangement with Deb Oakes at the Smiths Gully Store who will be providing our lunch orders from the beginning of Term Four. Deb will be offering our favourites and adding some home made options as well. Parents will be able to order through email and pay online or can drop an order in to the store before **9:30am** of the day of the order.

Further details regarding ordering/ payment and menu will be sent later in the term.



# **BOOK WEEK**

Next week is book week! We will be celebrating book week with an activity day on **Thursday 22nd** where the students will be broken into multi age groups and will rotate through different book based activities. Usually the books we feature on this day are the shortlisted books for the Children's Book Awards. This year, our staff decided that we would like to work on books with a common theme of kindness and growth mindset.

As a result of parent feedback, the decision was made to alternate dress up days between Carnevale and Book Week. As we dressed up this year for Carnevale, **we will not be dressing up for book week.** 

We will finish off the week with an author Corrine Fenton, coming to speak with all students about her books and writing.

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# **EMERGENCY EVACUATION**

On **Monday**, we will be conducting an off site emergency evacuation drill. This will involve us evacuating the buildings and taking the students across to the hall which is our designated off-site assembly area.

Please don't be alarmed if you hear the sirens go off in the morning.

# WELCOME AND FAREWELL

We are happy to welcome Jack Hudson and family to Panton Hill Primary School. Jack started with us in Grade 6 on Monday.

While we welcome Jack to the school, we are sad to farewell Kal-El and his family who are leaving us today. They will be heading north to Darwin to live! I guess the commute to PHPS is just a little too great! We wish Kal-El, Stacey and David all the best in their adventure and new life.

# **OUR TREES!**

We have annual arborist reports to check the health and safety of our trees in the yard. Unfortunately we have had some trees marked as requiring removal, one of which is the large gum near the BER building. We have had two arborists check our grounds and agree on this, so we are left with no other option sadly. We will keep you informed of when this will be taken down and will speak with the company organising the removal about the possibility of cutting into firewood sizes for sale to the community. Apparently it is very good burning wood and the sale of the wood will offset the considerable cost of removal.

We will also discuss options of retaining the stump for habitat and suitable replacement trees.

# PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Please don't forget that the closing date for the online Parent Opinion Survey has been extended to **Sunday 18 August 2019**. Parents can submit completed online surveys until 11:59PM Sunday 18 August 2019.

Please contact us at the office if you have misplaced your PIN or are having any issues with accessing the survey

# **STAMP CLUB CONTINUES!**

Many of you will have noticed Mr Allison back here at school this week on Tuesday. Mr. A will be continuing with Stamp Club for two more sessions —**Tuesday the 20th and 27th August.** Stamp Club is held at the beginning of lunch time in the library. <u>Australia</u> 27c

If you have a stamp album and tweezers bring them along, if not that's fine too.



# CHOIR

A letter of 'Expression of Interest' for performing at Hop Hen at Lilydale went home last week. If you are interested, could you please fill in the form and return it **as soon as possible**. Thank you, Natika Jenes.

# PARENTING IDEAS—PROTECTING YOUR CHILD'S ONLINE PRIVACY

Today, I have included an article about strategies to help ensure your child/ren's online safety. If you have been watching the SBS series The Hunting you will have a sense of the risks of sharing images and what it can lead to. This is a very powerful series (definitely recommended that parents watch this without their children first), with a serious message.

In relation to this, at the beginning of every year, we ask parents to fill out a form expressing what platforms they are happy for their child's image to appear on. Of course, this can be altered at any time if you wish—just come and see us at the office.

# AMENDMENTS AND APOLOGY

A **HUGE** thankyou to Mr. Hurst (who did not attend the 3/4 Hooptime) and Miss Brindley who organised the successful Friday basketball event. Apologies Mr. Hurst from the grateful Mrs. Howard.

# **FATHERS DAY STALL**



Fathers Day stall is **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August at 9.30**. If possible, some parent helpers are wanted to set up, sell and pack up. Please let the office know.

Also, parent helpers are required to run a stall at St. Andrews market on **Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August.** Yr 5/6 students can assist but must be supervised by an adult. Please contact the office if you can assist.



# SCHOOL COUNCIL 2019

POSITION	NOMINATION	NOMINATED BY	SECONDED BY	
President	Jason Ditcham	Anne Howard	Alison Tovey	accepted
Vice President	Carolyn Spratling	Jason Ditcham	Maya Lingard	accepted
Secretary	Anne Howard	Jason Ditcham	Zoe Payne	accepted
Treasurer	Cathryn Baldwin	Carolyn Spratling	Alison Tovey	accepted

SUB COMMITTEE	MEMBERS	MEETING TIMES
Buildings and Grounds	Kylie Richards, Carolyn	Friday 8.30am prior to School
	Spratling, Colin Smith, Tanya	Council
	White	
Finance and Fundraising &	Kylie Richards, Jason Ditcham,	Monday 6.30pm prior to School
Uniform Shop	Alison Tovey, Margaret Bozik	Council
OSHC	Alison Tovey, Cathryn Baldwin,	Monday 6.00pm prior to School
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# LIONS HEARING TESTS FOR CHILDREN 3½ to 6 YEARS OF AGE

Dear Parents.

Like many other Lions clubs across Victoria, Diamond Valley Lions Club is offering pre-schoolers and prep children (3½ -6yrs) hearing tests as part of its community service program. Students under supervision from Melbourne University's Audiology Department will carry out the play-based testing, and parents will be informed immediately and referred to their GP if hearing abnormalities are detected.

Early detection of hearing loss is critical for the development of normal speech and language skills. Statistics indicate that around 3% of children tested are found to have to have difficulties.

These tests are **FREE OF CHARGE**, and will be held between 9am & 4pm on

Saturday, 7th September at Wattle Glen Primary School. Parking is available on Reynolds Rd and Sunnyside Crescent. Entry to the school is on Sunnyside Crescent.

Testing can take up to 30 minutes, and a parent or guardian must be present.

To book, go to www.diamondvalley.vic.lions.org.au, click on 'Hearing Test' in the top left corner of the home page, and follow the directions.

If you have more than one child to test, and only one guardian, choose following appointment times with the same tester (eg 10am & 10:30am with Amy)

Contact Lions member Fiona Kates 0404 180 772 / kateschiro@icloud.com if you require further information or assistance with booking an appointment.



This complimentary after-school program is designed for girls in Years 3, 4 and 5 to ignite their passion for art.

In this 3 week course children will get to unleash their creativity in our beautiful art studio and get to take their own piece of art home at the end of each session.

**TUESDAY 3, 10 & 17 SEPTEMBER** 4:00 - 5:00PM **19 DIAMOND STREET, ELTHAM** WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/BEUGC

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We had a great

time learning

about division

outside this week.

We had to collect

hoops and share

beanbags evenly

to represent a

division fact.

# SHARING



# MULTIPLYING

#### TECHNOLOGY AND PARENTING

# parenting **\***ideas

# insights

# Protecting your child's online privacy

by Colin Anson



From sharing pictures of a child's first day at school to key moments at high school, many adults don't consider the potential risks or breach of future privacy for kids. In fact, it is now become a ritual to announce the full name and date of birth of a child online within hours of them being born. This is just the beginning of a child's digital footprint.

Although children are now 'born digital', exposure in the online world can present just as many risks as the physical world can pose. Images and identifying details can be used for numerous activities that put your child at risk, from stalking, to cyberbullying, identity theft, and even digital kidnapping.

The Australian eSafety Commission warns that half of all images on paedophile image-sharing sites originate from social media sites and blogs. Parents are responsible for protecting kids until they are old enough to make their own decisions about their online presence.

So, what can parents do?

Start by 'thinking privacy' before posting images of children online. You'll be protecting their digital footprint and setting them up for a healthy relationship with the digital world.

## Seek consent

Always ask others before sharing images of their children, even your family. Speak up about how you feel about images of your child being shared. When your child is old enough, ask them for consent, empowering them to understand they have a right to their privacy online. As they become teenagers, hopefully they will have more respect for what they post online and have confidence to speak to others about their consent guidelines.

#### Understand the settings

Check the settings of your social media channels to ensure your posts are not public. Speak to your friends and family about this and don't be afraid to ask for help to get it right. If your child has social media channels of their own, go through the settings with them to minimise the risk of unwanted shares.

## Think about the detail

Avoid including children's identifiable details such as school badges, logos, uniforms, name tags or identifiable locations such as your home area or school. Alternatively, blur these details prior to posting.

# parenting **\***ideas

# Be selective

Create a simple checklist to help make decisions regarding posting online easy. What do you deem appropriate? Are you happy to share images of your children in swimwear? Do you want to avoid full-frontal face shots?

If your child is old enough, explain why you are selecting certain pictures and not sharing others. If you have a teenager who is sharing their own images, talk to them about what is appropriate and potential repercussions of not setting boundaries.

# Remove metadata

Metadata on digital images records the time, date and GPS coordinates of where the photo was taken and can be accessed through shared images, and your sharing service may record your IP address. You can wipe this information with appropriate software or share screenshots of your photos to avoid metadata sharing. Screenshot sharing creates a lower resolution photo, so it's less likely to be tampered with by a third party.

Think 'privacy first' to reduce many of the risks involved with image sharing. Have conversations with your children to instil this mentality; help them build empathy; and identify the steps for minimising risk whilst helping them build a healthy relationship with technology so they can become responsible digital citizens.



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Colin Anson is a digital entrepreneur, and the CEO and co-founder of child image protection and photo storage solution, pixevety. Find out more about Colin at pixevety.com.