FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Literacy and Numeracy

Our school goals are to continue to improve our student results in literacy and numeracy. We are working hard at school with focussed reading and maths groups and setting improvement goals for every child. This is the focus of our ‘Investing for Success Funding’. How can you help your child at home?

Encourage them to read every night, or for our young ones, read to them every night. Talk about what they are reading and ask questions to check for understanding.

Look for opportunities to challenge your child with maths. Counting, problem solving, measuring for cooking, and working out money are great real life maths activities. Mathletics also provides a fun way to practise maths concepts and speed of number facts recall.

Parent teacher interviews will be held next week. We encourage every parent to attend and check the progress of your child.

Attendance

Every day counts. The Australian Curriculum sets the expectations for learning high and it is essential that your child attends school every day, unless they are sick, so that they can learn and keep up with the standards expected. Teaching begins at 8:30 am so students must be in class ready to begin learning at this time.

URGENT

BUNNINGS BBQ AND ELECTION BBQ

Helpers are urgently required for both BBQs. Even just one hour of help would be very much appreciated. We have no FETE this year so these BBQs are an essential part of our fundraising so we can continue to purchase resources for the students.

Please support the school by donating an hour of your time on the 19th March. Leave your name at the office and either Vanessa (Bunnings BBQ coordinator) or Carol (Election BBQ coordinator) will contact you.
School Expectations

We are working hard with students to ensure they are following our school rules each and every day. We expect students to ‘Be a Learner’ in class and work hard to achieve their very best. We also expect students to ‘Be Safe’ – Wearing their hat, crossing the road at the crossing and using the pathways are just some aspects we teach. We absolutely expect students to ‘Be Respectful’. We encourage them to speak respectfully to their friends and adults they come in contact with and in the classroom to be respectful towards everyone’s right to learn without disruption. We appreciate the partnership and parent support we receive in ensuring Vienna Woods is a safe and supportive school focussed on learning.

Jackie Fiedler – Principal

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS
22 - 26 February 2016
Keira, William, Lacey-Rose, Makeeta, Jasper, Mia, Cooper, Alexandrea, Aiden, Josiah, Cody, Cameron, Hezekiah, Tahira, Bianca, Miguel, Lauren, Kaeli, Tom, Cara.

29 February – 4 March 2016

Our school says ‘Bullying. No Way!’ on the National Day of Action.

On Friday 18 March, our school will be taking a stand together on the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence towards students.

The National Day is an annual event for Australian schools where school communities across the nation stand as one against bullying and violence.

Vienna Woods State School is dedicated to creating safe and supportive school environments, free from bullying, harassment and violence.

Together, we can send clear messages to young people that bullying and violence, in or outside the classroom, are not okay at any time. We encourage the children to wear orange on the day as a visual message to support this National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence on Friday 18 March. Please note the date in your diaries.

Second Hand Uniform Sale

Second uniforms will be available for sale at the hall before and after the Easter Bonnet Parade on Thursday 24 March. Prep shirts, shorts, skirts, skorts and shoes will be available from $1.00 - $5.00. If you can help us man this stall, please let office know. Proceeds will go to P & C.

Every day at school counts... Missing even one day can make a difference over time

Missing 1 day of school each fortnight —— Missing more than a year of learning over 12 years
The P & C AGM was held on Tuesday 1 March. Committee elected is: Kim Herman – President, Angela Arnold – Vice President, Chris Paterson – Treasurer, Vanessa O’Rielly – Secretary. The next P & C Meeting will be Tuesday 2 May in the Staffroom. All welcome to attend and share your ideas.

- **Easter Café**
  - If you would like to bake or help serve on Easter Parade on Thursday 24 March in the hall.
  - Yummy cakes plus hot and cold drinks will be on sale – proceeds to Chaplaincy Program.
  - If you’d like to help out by baking some cakes they can be dropped to school hall kitchen on Thursday morning.
  - (Please include a label with the ingredient list and date baked)
  - Helpers are also needed on the day.

- **Coin Collection**
  - This year’s class challenges are filling fast.
  - Each class will be provided with a Jar to collect coins (up to a maximum of $10 commission per individual deposit).
  - For more information visit [www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking) or contact the Office Staff.

- **Eggsellent Easter Eatery**
  - Once again we will be running our Easter Café during our Easter Parade on Thursday 24 March in the hall.
  - Yummy cakes plus hot and cold drinks will be on sale – proceeds to Chaplaincy Program.

- **Chappy Carol**
  - Easter surprise gift.

- **Semester 1 Class Challenge**
  - The winning class will be announced at the Easter hat parade. GET COLLECTING!!!!!
School Events Calendar

Tuesday 15 March  Cross Country Carnival
Friday 18 March  Bullying. No Way! Day
Thursday 24 March  Easter Bonnet Parade
Tuesday 24 May  School Photos

P & C Events Calendar

Saturday 19 March  Bunnings BBQ
Saturday 19 March  Election Day BBQ

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