

Jump Rope For Heart

Our biannual JRFH program began on Monday with a talk by Mary Lou Fisher about Heart Health and how skipping improves heart health. All students have enthusiastically begun skipping and the outdoor classroom is a popular venue so Bonnie and Meg have devised a timetable for its use. Our **Jump Off** day is scheduled for Friday the 20th November. All students have been given forms in this week's newsletter to encourage them to raise money for the Heart Foundation.

School Injuries and Insurance

Parents and guardians are generally responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs. Most medical costs will be refundable by Medicare. If you are a member of an ambulance or health insurance fund, you may also be able to claim transport or other expenses from the fund.

The Department of Education and Training does not hold accident insurance for school students.

Is other insurance cover available?

Yes.

The Department is aware of two insurers, JUA Underwriting Agency Pty Ltd and Willis Australia Ltd, that provide accident insurance policies for students. These policies provide specific benefits for students who are injured in accidents for a reasonably low cost. Other insurers may also do so.

Milo Cricket

This year's program will be held at both Toongabbie and Glengarry cricket clubs commencing on Tuesday 20th October. The program aims at teaching children aged 5 to 10 the basic skills of cricket (batting, bowling and fielding) The program runs for 8 weeks and cost around \$50 a child. This covers the cost of the equipment and provides each child with a cricket pack which includes a bat, ball, in2 cricket hat, backpack, milo giveaways and more. The first four weeks of the program will be run at Glengarry Recreation reserve with the final four at the Toongabbie reserve.

Milo in2cricket

Glengarry and Toongabbie cricket clubs

Glengarry (Weeks 1-4) Toongabbie (Weeks 5-8)

Commencing Tuesday 20th October 4.30-6.00

Contact Peter Anton 51 924839 or 0428924839

David Little 51 924 682 or 0427660199

Also any child interested in playing under twelve cricket can contact either of Peter or David as well.



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Calendar

Intensive Swimming Program begins- Friday 23rd 30th October 6th 13th November 2009- 12.30-1.30pm. (Note not 16th October- Life Education Van)
School Council Meeting – Thursday 15th October
Somers Camp (Grade 5/6) – 3rd- 11th November 2009
Prep Orientation Afternoon- Friday 20th November and 4th December 2009-12.30pm Bring your lunch
Melbourne Cup- Parents Club Cake Stall- Saturday 31st October 2009
Jump Rope For Heart- November 20th- 11.00am-1.00pm
Wilsons Promontory Camp – 23rd-27th November 2009
School Musical- Thursday 3rd December 2009
Grade 6 Graduation- Tuesday 8th December 2009
Christmas Carols – Wednesday 16th December

Family Treasure Hunt Day

What a wonderful day was had on Sunday at the Treasure Hunt! Congratulations to the 'winners' of the hunt with terrific answers to the questions. A real 'Cowwarr Community event'! Well done to the organisers!

Life Education Van

This Friday the Life Education Van will visit the school. The children will have the following programs- Grade Prep-2- Harold's Mystery, Grade 3/4-Harold's Diary, Grade 5/6-The Burning Issue

Melbourne Cup

November 3rd is Melbourne Cup Day and this has been declared a Statewide Holiday for all schools in Victoria.

Melbourne Cup Stall

Each year the Parents Club commit to running one cake stall for the support of the school camp, this year being Wilson's Promontory. It would be terrific support if each family could supply ONE item to sell. We have tried to keep the cost of the camp down using some

Drought Support funding (\$150.00 instead of \$200.00). However, if the Cake Stall is a success the cost of the camp may be reduced again. Please contact the school or Jo Broad on 51 489123 if you would like further information.

Wilson's Promontory Camp

The Grade 3-6 children will be off to Wilson's Promontory on Monday 23-27th November 2009. Payment for this camp (\$150.00) is now due. This has been subsidized by \$50.00 through some Drought Assistance money. On the Friday before returning to school the children will have a chance to visit on and explore the tall ship SS Enterprise at Port Welshpool.

Intensive Swimming Program

Last Friday our Intensive Swimming Program began at the Sale Indoor Pool. This is run by Sue White and fully qualified Austswim trained teachers and paid for from a donation from the Heyfield War Memorial Pool Committee. **Swimming WILL NOT take place this week as we will have a visit from the Life Education van.**

Hats

All children are expected to wear their school hats as part of our school 'Sunsmart Policy' for term 4. Children who don't wear a hat will be requested to sit in the shade. Hats can be purchased from the school for \$10.00.

Southern Rural Water Excursion

This excursion is always a wonderful day for the children especially highlighting the need to conserve water. Enjoy the photographs!



Graduation Boards

At present the children in Grade 6 are completing their Grade 6 Graduation boards under the supervision of Geraldine Morgan and Jo Broad. Children are asked to have an idea of the theme that they want to follow and have enough photographs from Grade Prep to Grade 6 to complete them. Could Grade 6 parents please assist the children by supplying enough photographs. Photographs can be scanned at school and then returned home. Thank you in anticipation of this being completed.

Fire Awareness

In preparation for our readiness for the fire season we are revisiting all students contact numbers. Could all parents please complete the form below to update all home, mobile and emergency telephone/contact numbers and return to school as soon as possible. Each week I will brief families on our preparation for the coming bushfire season. Thank you for taking the time to complete this information.

Enjoy your weekend!

(Mrs) Helen Hellenen

Parents Club

TREASURE HUNT NEWS

What a fantastic success, 28 teams registered on Sunday to hunt for Treasure in Cowwarr. That's about 150 people walking the streets of Cowwarr enjoying the perfect weather and the company of their family and friends.

The top four teams to 'dig for treasure' were The Southern Sea Pirates (Biram family), Scurvy Pirate Rascals (Mitchell family) Captain Sheilds (Shields family) and Captain Duck (Duck family from Sale). After a frantic dig on the deserted island (sand pit) the Mitchell family walked away with the Treasure Chest of prizes. The Cannon Balls (Hookey family) took home the Wooden Spoon after a gallant effort!

The Mitchell family had another big win on the day with Simon and Fiona taking out Best Dressed Pirate Dad and Mum. Best Dressed Pirate boy was Jarrod Biram and Best Pirate girl was Kimberley Broad. Leonie Wilson won the first prize in the raffle. Congratulations to everyone else who won mystery and spot prizes.

The BBQ and cold drinks went down very well after the long trek around the town and the afternoon tea tempted most people judging by the line up at the stall. The Junior School Council were kept busy serving children at their toffee, yo-yo and lucky dip stall which was very professionally run.

Final money figures are not in as yet but it looks like a profit of around \$600 for the Parents Club and \$60 for the Junior School Council. A **FANTASTIC** result!

Thank-you to the BBQ cooks, Jo Broad and her afternoon tea ladies, Mark and Ingrid Biram for the prize collection, Holly Johnston and Leonie for scoring, the Iseppi family, the musicians (brief but entertaining), the Cowwarr Shop and Hotel for selling answers, the sponsors and mostly to everyone who supported the day and made it so much fun.

I personally can't wait for next year and look forward to seeing you all there!

Thanks again for the help and support,

Tania Coleman

Treasure Hunt de-brief and 2010 planning session.

MONDAY 19th OCT, 9am to 10am, School kitchen.

With this being our first year, and after hearing the positive feedback from those who attended on the weekend, we would like to start planning on bigger and better things for 2010. Please join us for a de-brief and share any feedback or new ideas to help make this a major fundraiser for our school.

If you would like to get involved in next year's event, please come along and share your ideas. If you can't make it but have a suggestion then let me know before Monday and I will add it to the list.

Thanks, Tania 51 451177

Pirate Day by Kyung

Sunday 11th October was a day in the past when pirates came to Cowwarr. There were modern pirates with awesome glasses to age-old pirates with swords and cutlasses. Pirates big and small were all ready for the treasure hunt day. After registering in teams of four to six people a bell rang signalling the start of the hunt. Walking across Cowwarr (or, in some cases, running) pirates answered questions about Cowwarr, from when Cowwarr was called 42nd Township to the present day. Questions about streets, trees, pubs, shops and cars were all included as the pirateers answered questions, and if the questions were too hard or people were lazy, the pub and shop were there to give a helping hand after a suitable gold coin 'donation' was given. After the time was up, the pirateers all had lunch near and in our school's finished outdoor classroom. It began to rain and thunderstorm but not before the raffle was drawn and the winners of the hunt were found. The winners were 'found' after they had to dig up gold cans. After they had dug, they had to find the number inside. The number was the prize that was given. Number one was given the number one prize which ended up going to the Mitchell family.

The treasure hunt was very fun and different with the questions of the hunt made me find things in Cowwarr that I hadn't noticed before.

PIRATES AT COWWARR P.S. by Rachel

On Sunday the 11th, we went to the school for a pirate walk. We all registered at the tables. Mrs Coleman rang the bell and the people ran off answering questions. Under 8's didn't have to answer questions; they just had to find all the tickets. The tickets had objects on them. If it had a football jumper on it, it would be found on the football field. 9's and over had to answer questions and collect things.

We had lunch while Mrs Wilson added up the points. The top 4 teams had a spoon and dug up a gold container with a number in it, which told them what prize they had won. I came equal 5th. IT WAS A FUN DAY!

PIRATE DAY by Matilda.

On Sunday we had a great pirate day. I dressed up as a pirate in a black wig, ripped pants, a zig zag shirt and lots of other pirate stuff.

Next we went in groups. I went with Rachel, Mr O'Brien and Rachel's Grandma. We were The Grey Ghosts.

On the way, Rach and I had a great time finding things. Then it was time for lunch. We had a competition and Jarrod and Kim won. I had lots of treats and prizes. WHAT A FUN DAY!

MY FABULOUS WEEKEND by Amy

On Saturday, I went to my Mum's friend's 70's party. There was a lot of chocolate, even a chocolate fountain. It was really fun.

On Sunday, we all dressed up as pirates. We came 3rd I think. We won a prize. Some questions were easy, some weren't. Our whole family, except Josie, were in our team. I loved it.

Pirate Day by James

On Sunday we went to a Pirate Treasure Hunt all around Cowwarr. First of all every one got into their families. Then we all headed off. We went to the bridge first. Next we went to the old shed. The question was 'What did the old shed used to be'? Dad said a dairy. Just to make sure, Dad went to his friend and he was.....RIGHT! Then we had to count all the poles around the playground and there were 146! Next we went to the Iseppi's to name the cars. Then we went to the footy ground. Then we went home.

Circus

On Thursday the 8th of October, 4/5 went to Wurruk P.S. to learn how to be a clown. We were split in to 8 groups. My favourite group was the bikes. They had tricycles, mini bikes and some things you roll on. The mini bikes were a favourite. As well they had scarf juggling, ball juggling, plate spinning, ribbons, pois, stilts and devil sticks. The circus trailer will be coming to the school soon. When it comes, the 4/5 will teach the rest of the school all the awesome activities.

By Loretta Stewart



