FAREWELL TO AYA

This week we say goodbye to Aya, our Japanese Intern. It has been wonderful having Aya at the school as she is a primary teacher back in Japan and has certainly been a wonderful help for children with their Japanese language.

We are very sad to see Aya leave us, however, we have been making plans to communicate with Aya’s school and the children there. This will provide a wonderful opportunity for our children to use their Japanese language with another school, as they do with the children from Lily Vale Primary school, our sister school. Aya is very keen to formalise another sister school relationship with Kalinda, and her Principal is very eager to communicate with us as well. This may be a project for the future.

We wish Aya all the very best as she returns to Japan. We do have another intern, Tomoko Kikuchi, arriving in July and we look forward to welcoming her to Kalinda.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Congratulations to our new parent members taking up the 2 year positions:

Mrs Elise Wilson
Mrs Virginia Strybosch
Mrs Lindsey Baker
Mrs Natalie Bishop

Our 2 year DET positions are filled by Mr Richard Lambert and Mr Steve Harvey.

The 1 year Parent positions are filled by:

Mrs Danielle Foulis,
Mr Stephen Grix,
Mr Tony Landi; and
Mr Lachlan Williams

The 1 year DET positions are filled by Mr Stewart Clyde and Mrs Kelly Woodman.

There are 2 Community positions which will be voted on by the new School Council.

The new parent members will take up their positions at the Annual General Meeting and School Council Meeting, which will be held on Monday, 21st March 2016.
DOG POLICY

Included below is our Dog Policy. This policy was put into place for children’s safety and peace of mind. You will see that we ask you not to bring dogs into the area around the buildings and playgrounds. Please read the whole policy.

GAIL POLLARD
PRINCIPAL

PURPOSE

- All members of our school community need to be safe. Dogs are a popular pet for students, but require regulation and management when in our school grounds or visiting classrooms.
- To provide a school environment which is safe for students, which is practical, and balances the rights of individuals with the school’s duty of care toward all staff and students.

IMPLEMENTATION

- Dogs are very popular pets, but can be involved in serious incidents when not controlled or can be unpredictable when excited or frightened.
- It is well recognised that young children have underdeveloped peripheral vision and judgement about appropriate ways to deal with dogs, especially unknown ones.
- Kalinda PS requests that dogs are not brought into the school grounds within the immediate vicinity of the school buildings area, whether on a leash or not.
- When unaccompanied dog/s are found wandering within the school grounds Emergency Procedures should be followed and appropriate action taken, such as students to be brought inside.

EXCEPTIONS:

- Morning News (show & tell) – parents/teachers must gain prior permission from the Principal, AP or classroom teacher; animals that are brought for such purposes must arrive after 9 am, once class has commenced to avoid concern. All dogs brought in for such purposes must remain on a lead at all times and must not wait near classroom doors/bag areas/wet areas etc. to enable free access to all areas.
- Students are to wash hands after the visit.
- Responsible pet ownership is part of the school curriculum.

EVALUATION

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three-year review cycle.
**Events Calendar**

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**PRODUCTION DATES:**

**Robin Hood & The Sherwood Hoodies**

8th & 9th August 2016

12th August – Literacy/Book Week Celebration Day

**TERM DATES 2016**

Term 1 – 27 January – 24 March

(Easter – Good Friday 25th March)

Term 2 – 11 April – 24 June

Term 3 – 11 July to 16 September

Term 4 – 3 October to Tuesday, 20 December

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

16th - Yuko W. & Jacqueline C.

17th - Nicole D. & Kate M.

18th - Carly S. & Jennifer V.

**NOTICES SENT HOME TO FAMILIES – 3 - 10 March 2016**

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**Production News**

Planning for our fabulous whole school production of Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies on the 8th and 9th of August has well and truly begun. The cast has been announced and excitement is building. We are looking for volunteers who can help in the planning, preparation and performance. If you are interested in helping with sets/props, hair, makeup, costumes, sound, lighting or anything else, please put your name down on the helpers list at the office.

**Production Parent Reps for Grades 3 – 6**

Each class requires a parent representative to assist with our production, Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies. The parent rep must be able to attend meetings held on Monday afternoons at 3:30pm. Please contact your child’s class teacher if you are interested in this position.

Paul Todd
Performing Arts Teacher
**KALINDA’S EASTER RAFFLE**

*Hippity Hoppity, Hippity Hoppity*

It's time for Kalinda's annual Easter Raffle fundraiser. For new families at Kalinda, each year we hold our famous Easter Raffle. Last year we had over 180 prizes!! This fundraiser is only possible with the participation of families sending along donations of Easter-type goodies that can be used to make up hampers/prizes for the raffle. Be creative – what would you like to win in an Easter Hamper? Just make sure the use-by dates are still current, e.g. eggs, chocolate, biscuits, books, toys, coffee, tea – let your imagination hop wild!

**NUT-FREE ONLY PLEASE**

Easter Raffle notices and tickets were sent home last week – one book per family. If you did not receive your book of tickets, please let the office know and we will arrange for one to go home. Each booklet contains 15 tickets at $1.00 per ticket – with so many prizes the odds of winning a prize is very hippity, hoppity high!

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

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**CANTENEEN NEWS**

A BIG thank you to Justine, Trina & Nicole who rallied to help make and pack the 100 lunch orders we received last Friday. Your help was greatly appreciated.

We are still looking for helpers on a Friday; please come and see me in the Canteen for possible dates.

**Hot Dog Day forms have been sent out this week. Please return them by tomorrow, Friday 11th March.**

**Deleted Line:** Juice’s (frozen treats)

**Low Stock:** Piranha Vege Crackers Salt & Vinegar (supply issue)

Please note: If any students orders a Fruit Salad, Jelly or Custard, they are to collect from the Canteen on the 2nd Bell (1:10pm).

**CANTEEN WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY 24TH MARCH (LAST DAY OF TERM) FOR CLEANING AND STOCKTAKE.**

Canteen will reopen again on Wed. 20th April (Week 2 of Term 2) for lunch orders and over-the-counter sales. The Winter Menu will be sent home during the last week of this term.

JO O’CALLAGHAN
CANTENEEN MANAGER
This week at OSHClub the Team have been getting tricky and changing up the routine, using our new Leadership Group’s, all children have been assigned to one of four teams and we have the chance to win rewards based on random acts of kindness, good manners, leadership/role modelling, packing up and setting up and Life skills.

The children seem to be adapting really well and embracing the chance to shine for their team. In a bit of a twist, we give each team the option of sharing their prizes or keeping them to themselves and I am so impressed to report that every team have so far shared their loot.

I was very happy to see how well the Fire Evacuation drills and Lock downs have been going, the children deserve a pat on the back, in particular James and Jalen showed leadership.

We have had some very hot weather this week and the Icy poles were in demand, we tried to keep cool with frozen berries, fresh fruit and yoghurt.

We have enjoyed variations of Tiggy this week with Disco, Colour and Gabriella’s favourite – toilet tiggy.

Monday night was lots of fun with most of the group down at the playground playing colour tag and a silly game of eye spy, Abigail had some great suggestions and there were lots of giggles.

On Tuesday night we had “movie night” under the air-conditioning in my office – the children snacked on popcorn and watched TV – a rare treat.

The giant colouring in sheet kept Chloe A. amused on her first morning at OSHClub and she soon settled into the routine with some help from Bridgette and Alex M. Kaylee is enjoying being able to report on all the good deeds she and her team have done and ensure the Leader Board is accurate.

Alex H, Thiyyara and Ava did an unscheduled breaking news report and have suggested we have a Breaking News meeting each day.

We would like to thank the Wilson family for their kind donation of games and equipment – we really appreciate your kindness.

We are always looking for ways we can improve our program and equipment, if you would like to donate any unwanted books, games, toys or time to help we would be very grateful.

We appreciate your feedback for our program and our team. We are available during program hours on 0439 992 434; feel free to leave a voicemail message if we are unavailable. We are also contactable at oshclub.kalinda@gmail.com. Alternatively, you are always welcome to contact our Area Manager (Kathi Rowan) on 0432 212 817 or Kathi@oshclub.com.au. We have a GOLD suggestion box on the “sign in” table and we invite everyone to leave suggestions whenever they wish! These can be anonymous 😊

We welcome everyone in OSHClub, and it would be lovely to see some new faces in our program.

Kind Regards,

Michelle Dark, Tim De Freitas, Lorressa Mancuso, Wendy Reid and Clare Bullow

Program phone: 0439 992 434
Coordinator: Michelle Dark
Assistants: Tim De Freitas, Wendy Reid, Lorressa Mancuso, Clare Bullow.
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.
OFFICE NEWS

Please note: the office will close for all payments after 10:00am on Wednesday 23rd March to allow for end of term processing.

Parent Payment Plans 2016 – The next instalment of those on a Parent Payment Plan was due on 24th February. Please forward payment for this instalment as soon as possible.

Goldfields Camp (Grade 5/6 only):
The Goldfields Camp 2016 Final payment form has now been uploaded to Compass requesting the balance of $270 to be paid by 17th March. Payment options are:

- One full payment of $270 by 17th March 2016.
- Pay by instalments - 3 payments of $90 each on 3rd March, 17th March and 28th April. (If you wish to pay by instalments, please contact Theresa or Annie at the office as instalments cannot be paid through Compass.)

The Camps Sports & Excursions Funding (CSEF) will be used, where applicable, to cover some of this amount. Please be aware, however, that this funding will not cover the whole amount. If you have applied for the CSEF, please check at the office before any further payments are made as the total balance may be reduced.

Credit Card & BPays payments – Please remember that we cannot accept payments of less than $10 for credit card and less than $30 for BPays. If you are paying by BPays, please also send in a short email or note letting us know the amount, what the payment was for and the BPay Receipt number, to kalinda.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
If payments of less than $10 are received, we will be returning them home and asking for cash payment.

COMPASS – For those families new to the school, please don’t forget to login to Compass to retrieve all your child’s information and excursion notices. Login details were sent to all new families earlier this year. If you do not have your login details, please phone the office on 9876 3289.

THERESA JARVIS
BUSINESS MANAGER

UNIFORM SHOP

Opening Times: The Uniform Shop is open every Monday from 3:00 – 3:45pm.

All back ordered stock, including Polos and Bomber jackets, has now arrived in Uniform Shop! We are hoping that (collarless) t-shirts will arrive sometime next week.

Grade 6 Tops – A reminder to Grade 6 parents that these polos and jackets are custom ordered, custom made garments, and whilst we’re pushing as hard as we can for urgent delivery, the expected delivery time will be close to the end of this term, as indicated on the original order form. We will continue to work with the company for the earliest possible delivery. Parents are more than welcome to come and chat to us in Uniform Shop on a Monday afternoon if they have any more questions, or would like further information.....

SHANNON & JO
UNIFORM SHOP VOLUNTEERS

STUDENT BANKING

As notified in previous newsletters, the Student Banking will now be done through Bendigo Bank. The first day for deposits will be tomorrow, 11th March. If you have not opened an account as yet, spare account opening kits will be available through the office from tomorrow.

For those students with Dollarmite accounts, you are still able to deposit through your local Commonwealth Bank branch, or you can also open a Bendigo Bank account.
Parents & Friends Update

Time is running out to be in the Kalinda Business Directory!

Calling any carpenters, plumbers, painters, builders, massage therapists, photographers, window washers, personal trainers and any other business people in our community who wish to be in the Kalinda Business Directory.

Deadline for booking and payment is 21st March.

Any questions please email kalindapandf@gmail.com

Afternoon Tea Catch Up – Everyone Welcome!
Thursday 10th March
2.30pm (in the staff room)

Parent Reps
Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered to be a parent rep and to those who were able to attend the morning tea this week. We hope you have a great year with your class!

Next P&F Meeting
Monday 21st March
9.30am (in the stadium)

Does Your Kitchen Rule?
If the answer is YES then we have an exciting project that you will love!
Dig out your apron and keep watching this space!

www.facebook.com/kalindaparentsandfriends
kalindapandf@gmail.com
RECIPE OF THE WEEK!

♦ Serves: 4
♦ Preparation Time: 10 minutes

**Quinoa Salad**

What you need:
- 3/4 cup (150g) quinoa
- 1 1/2 cups (375ml) water
- 1 medium zucchini, diced
- 250 g cherry tomatoes, halved
- 1 small red capsicum, chopped finely
- 1 small yellow capsicum, chopped finely
- 250g cherry bocconcini, drained, halved
- 2 tbsp finely chopped parsley
- 1 tsp finely chopped mint
- 2 tbsp lemon juice
- 2 tbsp extra virgin olive oil

- Bring the quinoa and water to the boil in a medium saucepan.
- Cover, reduce the heat and simmer for 10 minutes.
- Remove pan from heat, stand for 5 minutes, then fluff the quinoa with a fork; cool.
- Combine the zucchini, tomatoes, capsicum and herbs in a large bowl.
- Season with a little sea salt and freshly ground black pepper.
- Add the quinoa and bocconcini.
- Combine the lemon juice and olive oil in a small bowl.
- Stir to combine, then pour over the salad.

Wendy McLaughlan
Kalinda Chef

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Croydon Hills Primary School
Family Fun Fair
Sunday 20th March 2016
11-4pm

Carnival Rides
Silent Auction
Pony Rides
Show Bags
Great Food
Victoria Police
Animal Farm
Lots more
Blackburn High School High Achievers’ Program for Year 7, 2017
Applications are now open.

How to Apply
Applications are online at www.blackburnhs.vic.edu.au

Test date:
Saturday 14th May 2016, 8:30am for 9:00am start Concludes 12.00pm (Noon)

High Achievers’ Program Information Evening
Tuesday 19 April, 2016 – 7.00pm – 8.00pm at Blackburn High School
The Information Evening is an opportunity for parents to learn more about the program and the examination and interview process.

See the Community Board in the Foyer for more events.
SECONDARY COLLEGE OPEN NIGHTS
PIANO LESSONS
Jodie Lockyer B.Mus (VCA)
Frederick Street, Croydon
M: 0403052165
E: jelaccomp@gmail.com

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM WITH A DIFFERENCE

Sick of the kids sitting inside and playing video games all School Holidays?
Bring them down to 4th Ringwood Scout Group and try Scouting

Where: Mines Road Ringwood East (opposite the Karralyka Centre)
When: Thursday 7th April 2016 – 10am to 3pm
Who: Boys and Girls 6 to 10 years
Cost: $25 includes lunch (which will be credited towards your fees if you join)
Program: Crafts, games and fun activities

4th Ringwood is offering an exciting program for your child and provides a safe, fun learning environment for both boys and girls that will help them develop important life skills, confidence and become an important part of the community.

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL
For more information and to book, please contact
Andy Matrici
Group Leader
9727 4611
andym@bigpond.com
ALL LEADERS HAVE WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS
EARTH HOUR

Maroondah City Council and Transition Towns Maroondah are presenting a great family night's entertainment for Earth Hour on 19 March. Come along and enjoy displays and fun activities for children and a short film for all the family.

Earth Hour community event
Love our local gardens
Saturday 19 March, 6.45pm - 9pm

Maroondah Federation Estate
32 Greenwood Ave, Ringwood
Being a torch or bicycle light
Gold-coin donation
RSVP: maroondah@maroondah.vic.gov.au or call 9298 4261.

MARCH 18-19-20

THE BASIN MUSIC FESTIVAL

Over 140 acts in seven venues

A non-profit community music festival run by volunteers - thank you!

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Rock, Country, Blues, Jazz, Metal, Folk, World, and more!

Tickets available at the festival:
$15/day or $25/weekend

Free music in the park and the cafes!

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$ The taverns are ticketed venues
and open until late.

Come and join The Friendship Circle!

The Friendship Circle runs activities for children aged 6-8 years old designed to broaden and strengthen friendships outside of the school environment.

We are delighted to be partnering with Jamie’s Academy of Dance for this event.

In addition to the obvious physical benefits of dancing, it’s also been proven to increase mental functioning, improve general and psychological wellbeing and lead to greater self-confidence, self-esteem and social skills particularly in children.

What: Jazz Dance Class for 6-8 year olds

Where: Jamie’s Academy of Dance, H. E. Parker Reserve, Heathmont Road, Heathmont, Victoria, 3135

When: Friday the 18th of March, 2016, 5:45pm – 7pm

Cost: Free of charge

Numbers are limited so please RSVP to thefriendshipcircle@outlook.com.au by the 15th of March, 2016

For more information visit our Facebook page:
https://www.facebook.com/thefriendshipcircle2016/