IMPORTANT DATES 2015

**Frid 22 May**
District Cross Country 10am—1pm Bald Hill Park

**Mon 25 May**
Final Camp Money Due Gr 6

**Mon 25 May**
PCG Afternoon Tea Year 2

**Wed 27 May**
Polly Woodside Excursion

**Wed 27 May**
After School Sports Program

**Thurs 28 May**
St Kilda Footy Club Visit

**Fri 29 May**
Sports Fun Day @ St Marks

**Sun 31 May**
Parktone Working Bee

**Mon 1st June**
Year 6 Camp Sovereign Hill

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**Newsletter**

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**Principal’s Report**

**Our Vision:** There is a prosperous path for every child. Each journey is theirs to lead. There is a place in which every child can shine.

**Our Mission:** Identify the talent, develop the confidence and create the leader.

**NAPLAN**

One million students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 are sitting the NAPLAN tests in schools across the country last week, starting with two tests - one in language conventions and the other in writing. The reading component followed on Wednesday and numeracy on Thursday. The annual test helps parents and teachers monitor student progress in literacy, numeracy and reading, as well as how well they have achieved over time.

We were so impressed with the dedication our students showed when sitting these tests. The children remained calm throughout the process as they Put First Things First to ensure they worked efficiently and managed their time correctly.

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**THE LEADER IN ME**

Laura Wapling and Jo Moriani have been outstanding in leading the staff towards our goal of Lighthouse status for The Leader In Me. I am sure you have noticed the amazing changes around the school. Staff have been working tirelessly afterschool updating their classroom displays, painting murals, cleaning and tidying. There are also stunning new 7 Habits posters and wall art scattered around the school.

Upcoming events include our International Review Day on June 9th, a Master Class on June 10th, and the Symposium and Leadership Day on the 11th and 12th of June.
**STIR CRAZY KIDS CANTEEN**

Just a reminder that our canteen hours are:

8:30am – 2:30pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday

8:30am – 4:00pm Thursday

The canteen will be closed on the last day of term. Pre-orders will be taken for the Thursday on the last week of term as it will be a hot dog lunch. A notice will be sent home shortly.

**STUDENT TOILETS**

As you are aware our toilets are cleaned on a daily basis, however today we have had a professional cleaning company spend the day giving them a thorough cleaning as part of their regular maintenance.

**STUDENT DROP OFF TIMES**

Please be aware that for student safety, they are not to be dropped off before 8:30am. The yard is not supervised until 8:45am. If your child is brought to school before 8:30am, they will be sent to before school care at the parents expense.

**COMPASS REMINDER**

There are still quite a few parents that have not signed into Compass. If you have lost your username and password, please see Melissa at the Office. Using compass will avoid coming to the office at last minute to get lost consent forms as you can consent to your child going to an event at a click of a button along with other important things! Once you have logged in, it is very easy to navigate through and will be quite convenient to parents.


**QUOTE**

The best way to succeed in life is to act on the advice we give to others.

~Author Unknown

Heidi Bampfield
Assistant Principal

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**PARKTONE SOCIAL GROUP**

Our Parktone Social Group team led by Amanda B do an outstanding job for the school. The time and effort the team put into raising funds for the school is appreciated by the community as our students benefit greatly from it. Please join the Social Group on their Facebook page so that you can be kept up to date. Amanda would like to make the community aware of the following events happening in the coming months:

**AFTERNOON TEA** Our next afternoon tea is on Monday 25th May after assembly. This time we are asking our wonderful Year 2 community to bring a plate of food to share and for each child to bring a gold coin donation. This will be a lovely opportunity for families to socialise after school. Due to the weather, we will also put the urn on so the parents can enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and keep warm.

**CHOCOLATE DRIVE:** Our annual Cadbury Chocolate Drive is coming up. This year we are offering an opt out policy. Please let your eldest child’s teacher know if they are NOT to bring a box home. If you’d like to make a cash donation, please feel free to drop one in to the ladies in the office.

**SUBWAY LUNCH DAY:** We will be having a Subway Day on Friday 26 June. Notices will be heading home after the Queen’s Birthday weekend.

**BOGAN BINGO:** And the Big One! Our major Fundraiser for the year is on Saturday 25th July. Tickets will go on sale this week. If any of our wonderful school community’s small businesses would like to make a donation towards raffles or silent auction items, then please contact Amanda Birch on 0468 361 747.

We look forward to seeing you soon!
MOTHER’S DAY MORNING

Parktone staff would like to say a huge thank you to all of the mums, grandmas and special friends who attended our Mother’s Day morning. The children were so excited to be able to share this special time with you. We hope you enjoyed your activities together and were able to chat up with some friends over coffee at morning tea. Thank you for all that you do to help your children and their teachers, we appreciate it.
Mother’s Day
Grade 5 Art Work
Japanese Day
Parktone Primary ph. 0422 008 223 | Co-ordinator Annette Davis

19th May 2015

**Term 2**

We have been very busy these past few weeks in preparation for our Rating and Assessment (http://www.aceca.gov.au/educators-and-providers1/assessments-and-ratings/) this is happening early next week and we look forward to receiving our goal of meeting if not exceeding, our staff and children have worked very hard in preparation for this, in regards to art & craft you may have seen around the room and our better buddy system (older children helping younger ones) to interacting with staff and challenging them to games and such.

As we all know its getting colder by the day and we at Camp Australia Parktone would like to ask all parents to place a coat/parker in your child’s bag for the walk to the service to ensure they don’t get wet during this time, as we endeavour to keep our children happy, safe, warm while in our care.

If you have never been to our service before and would like to know how we operate please feel free to stop by and see us some day soon, we look forward to seeing you at CSHC.

Hope to see you all soon at Camp Australia!