Term 1 Calendar

**February**
- **Wednesday 19**th: Prep students do not attend school today.
- **Friday 21**st: Grade 3/4 First Fleet History Box Incursion
- **Monday 24**th: School Council meeting 7:30pm
- **Tuesday 25**th: Parent/Teacher Interviews
- **Wednesday 26**th: Preps do not attend school today.
  - Grade 5/6 Excursion to Sovereign Hill
- **Friday 28**th: General Assembly in the multi-purpose room at 2:45pm taken by Room 12(Prockter)
  - Senior Sport at Canadian Lead PS

**March**
- **Wednesday 5**th: Prep students attend until 12:30pm
- **Monday 10**th: Labour Day Holiday
- **Wednesday 12**th: Prep students attend until 12:30pm
- **Friday 14**th: General Assembly - Room 6
  - Senior Sport at Miners Rest
- **Wednesday 19**th: Prep students attend until 12:30pm
- **Thursday 20**th: Twilight Sports
- **Monday 24**th: School Council meeting 7:30pm
- **Wednesday 26**th: Zone Athletics Sports
- **Friday 28**th: Main Assembly in multi-purpose room at 2:45pm taken by Rm 5 (Vagg)

**April**
- **Thursday 3**rd: School Disco
- **Friday 4**th: End of Term Students dismissed at 2:30pm – Casual Clothes Day

**AFTER SCHOOL CARE**

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**APPRECIATIONS**
- Thank you Ms. Kate and Shane for planting the garden beds at the Brophy Street entrance.
- Thank you to all families that attended our Picnic last Tuesday evening.
- Many thanks to Mr. Read for assisting with Athletics Training.

**ATTENDANCE**

Today, we have distributed a letter from the Government about attendance. This contains important information for all our families. If your child is ill please phone the school on the morning of the absence. If you do this then an absence form does not have to be completed or you can also fill in an absence note explaining the reason why your child is not at school. We are then able to record the reason for the absence. It is extremely important that children attend school every day.
New Students at Caledonian

Our new Prep students are settling in well and routines are being established. It has been great to get to know these new students and they have had many stories to tell me when I have visited their rooms. Also, welcome to other students who are new to our school this year.

Our Tribes process will be new to all these students and they will be taught about Tribes throughout the year. Tribes is used in all our teaching and learning, in all grades.

Parent/Teacher Interviews are next week. In this meeting, goals will be set for your child and it is a time for parents to discuss their child with their new teacher. Booking times will be sent home on Wednesday. We do hope you are able to attend.

Geoff Dickson
Acting Principal.

Active After School Communities

This term’s AASC activities are Track Cycling on Monday and Triathlon on Thursday. These activities are free to our students.

Track cycling will be held at the Marty Bush Reserve in Sebastopol. A bus will transport students at 3:30pm and return the students to school by 5:00pm.

Track cycles will be provided and students will receive tuition from members of the Ballarat Sebastopol Cycling Club. Participants from Years 3-6 will need to be capable or riding a track bicycle.

Triathlon will be held here at school on Thursday finishing at 4:45pm.

Snacks are provided and all activities are free. Students are expected to fully participate and uphold the Tribes Agreements at all times. If you would like your child to participate forms are available at the front office. There are still places available for both of these activities.

Wednesday Morning Breakfast Club

The Brown Hill Uniting Church group have again kindly offered to conduct breakfast sessions for our students on Wednesday morning from 8:15am – 8:40pm. Students are welcome to come along and enjoy breakfast in the multi-purpose room before school.

Lunch Orders

We do not operate a canteen at our school however the local Milk Bar in Humffray Street (near Russell Square) delivers lunches to our students each Thursday. If your child would like a lunch order on this day please print your child’s name, room number and lunch order on the front of an envelope and include correct payment in the envelope. Orders must be handed into the school on Wednesday and will be delivered at lunch time on Thursday.

After School Care

WELCOME BACK!! We were so happy to see everyone back this term. We would like to especially welcome all the new families who have started. We have very limited space available with some waiting lists. If you don’t need care please cancel for that day so another child can use that spot for that day only. Late Pick Up Fee - Please be aware that there is a $1 per min/per child charge for late collection, after 6pm. For bookings or enquiries contact Mark on 0431579678
**EMA** - Do you have a Healthcare Card or Pension Card? If you do please call into the school office and fill out an Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) form. Applications must be filled out and returned to the school by 28th February. Late Applications cannot be processed.

**Assembly / Staff Meeting Times**
Please note assemblies will be held on Friday afternoons commencing at approximately 2.45pm. Assemblies are held in the multi-purpose room at the front of the school and all parents are most welcome to attend. Ever second assembly is taken by students from a classroom. Each room will have a turn at presenting assembly. Staff meetings will be held on Tuesday immediately after school. All staff will be unavailable from 3.40-5.30pm on Tuesday afternoons.

**Prep School Nursing Program Information** – There are still a large number of envelopes that haven’t been returned. Please return completed forms tomorrow.

**Hats**
Hats are compulsory uniform items in Term 1 and Term 4. We have a No Hat No Play policy meaning that students not wearing a hat will have to sit in a shaded area during recess and lunchtime.

**Violin Lessons**
Yvonne Holley is available to teach 30 minute violin lessons at Caledonian PS within school hours. Individual and group lessons are on offer and violin hire can be arranged.

Individual: $25  Group: $12  Violin Hire: $25  
**Contact Yvonne – 0416 026871**

**Drum Lessons**
John Wood is available to teach drum lessons at Caledonian PS within school hours on a Friday. If you would like your child to participate in these lessons, or would like more information on cost and/or session times please contact John on 0427185736

**Piano Tuition**
Jennifer Howlett is offering piano lessons at school this year. She is a qualified registered teacher and a Member of Australian Guild of Music and Speech. She is offering half hour lessons at reasonable rates. If interested please contact Jennifer on 0434249657 or 53347314.

**Lost Property** – 2 pair of prescription glasses have been handed into the school office – a small dark red pair and a black and green pair. These can be collected from the office.

**Track Cycling: Active After School Communities.**
Congratulation to our active kids!
We’ve now had two sessions at the velodrome in Sebastopol. Just a few reminders to make sure we have everything we need Monday nights.

- Suitable helmet
- Shorts …long pants may get caught in the chain
- Your own drink bottle (water)
- Lightweight shoes (runners/trainers) which can be firmly attached to your feet… boots or heavy school shoes don’t fit into the toe-covers on the pedals.

We’ll see you next in the Art room next Monday :- straight after school.
Pam Barby and Debi McLean
Head Lice
All students will have their hair checked at school regularly. Headlouse is an issue faced by all schools. At Caledonian we try to be as vigilant as possible to ensure are students are not infected. Parent support in regularly checking your children’s hair is greatly appreciated by both staff and other families. **All hair longer than shoulder length MUST be tied up.**

School Uniform
School uniform is compulsory at our school. If for some reason an item of uniform cannot be worn please forward a note to your classroom teacher.

**TRIBES**
At Caledonian Primary School students, staff and parents practice the following five agreements:
- Right to Participate/Pass/Return
- Attentive Listening
- Personal Best
- Mutual Respect
- Appreciations / No Put Downs

Students of the Week
Congratulations to the following Students of the Week who will be presented with their certificates at assembly on Friday:

Room 1 – Miss Kate – Hamish Harris – For being a fantastic friend.
Room 2 – Miss Morrison – Sophie Wood – always making good choices
Room 3 – Mrs Lawlor/Mrs Polkinghorne – Caden Duffin-Bolt – Great start to his home reading.
Room 4 – Mr Robinson – Abel Zlatkovic – For being an awesome student.
Room 5 – Mr Vagg – Ebony Ware – For having a red hot go in the classroom
Room 6 – Mrs Couch – Erin Robinson – For modelling the Tribes agreements.
Room 7 – Mr White – Brandon Walters – For his valuable contributions during class discussion.
Room 8 – Miss G – Liam Carroll – Making good choices and showing leadership.
Room 9 – Mr Story – Kylie Locket-Ford – For being a responsible and reliable classmate.
Room 11 – Mrs Romeril/Mr Tait – Alara O’Donnell – For her outstanding work in Numeracy.
Room 12 – Mr Prockter – Buay Tharjiath – For an outstanding week.

Art: Christian Davies Music: Abbie Morgan Chinese: Georgia Carden
**Family Information Update**

We are asking all our families to please update their contact details for 2014.

New students to our school this year will not need to complete this form.

This information is needed to update our files and to ensure we have the correct information on your child/ren, if there is illness, an emergency etc.

Please complete the following information and return to your child’s classroom teacher.

Thank you.

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