Robocup Ballarat Regional Competition

Last Thursday several of our students in grades 3-6 attended the Robocup Ballarat Regional Competition held at the Earth Ed Centre in Mt Clear. Our students built and programmed robots to compete in Soccer, Dance and Rescue events. We are very proud of all of our students who represented our school at this event.

Enrolments for 2015

We are currently taking enrolments for 2015. If you have a child who will commence school next year and have not filled in an enrolment form for them please call by the office and collect a form and return it to the school as soon as possible. If you know of any families who have not enrolled their child for prep next year please encourage them to visit the school and speak to Andrew.

Assembly this Friday (8th Aug) will be held at 9:00am

Student Punctuality

Student learning commences each morning at 9.00am. We would greatly appreciate your support in ensuring your children are early for school.

Late students are recorded as “absent-late” for the morning. New guidelines require us to notify the Department of excessive absences. Please ensure your children are on time for school.

2014 Parent Opinion Survey – Could all Parent Opinion Survey forms please be returned to the school office by this Thursday – Thank you.
Thank you to those parents who attended our meeting last Friday there were a number of items discussed and planned for the remainder of the term, below is a list of important dates for you to pop in your diaries. Remember to keep an eye on the newsletter and Team App for more details!

**Important Dates**
- Fri 1<sup>st</sup> August – Community Connect Meeting @ 9.00am in the staff Room
- Wed 6<sup>th</sup> August – Hot Soup Day
- Fri 29<sup>th</sup> August – Sort and Price items for Father’s Day Stalls
- Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Father’s Day Stalls
- Wed 17<sup>th</sup> September – Footy Colours Day, Hot Pie Lunch, Delivery of Pie Drive Orders

**Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> September – Family Feud Evening**

**Hot Soup Day tomorrow.**
Any parents who are able to assist us with preparing the soup and distributing soup to students are encouraged to join us in the multi-purpose room from 9:00am. Soup will be distributed to students at approximately 12:30pm

**One Team, One Goal**
Congratulations to these grade 5/6 students who participated in the ‘One Team, One Goal’ competition.
- Ella Bignell
- Al Habitch
- Hunter Wareing
- Codyee Currie-Caine
- Amber Humphries
- Ishy Burgoyne-Turnbull
- Logan Hedger
- Paige Williams
- Mikki Currie-Caine
- Yasmin Carrigg
- Isaac Scenna
- Jack Bailey
- Miranda Davidson


Debi McLean, Art Teacher

**Found**
An iPod has been found in the school grounds. If your child has lost one please see Pam at the office.

**Student Religious Education Lessons**
R.E. will commence for students this Wednesday. If your child has not returned a permission form they will be unable to attend these lessons until a form is returned. Copies of the permission form have been sent home to the P/1/2 students who have not yet returned their form. If you would like your child to attend R.E. lessons please fill in the permission form and return it to the school as soon as possible.

**Kid’s Club is on this term!**
Kid’s Club is a program run by the Brown Hill Uniting Church to which all Caledonian school children are invited. Kid’s Club will be on Tuesdays, 12th, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup> August and 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept, 3.30pm-5.00pm in the church hall on the corner of Humffray and Thompson streets.

We provide a nutritious afternoon tea, play games, share wisdom from the bible in a child friendly way, and participate in a craft or cooking activity. We anticipate lots of wholesome fun and ask only for a gold coin donation and friendly enthusiasm in return! Parents are welcome to stay, visit, or make further enquiries, Louise 53331894.
Active After School Program Activities for Term 3

Active After School Communities activities commenced last week.
Tuesday – Karate with Michelle Smith (Years Prep-2)
Wednesday – Ultimate Frisbee with Kellie McLeod (Years 3-6)

There are still places in both of these activities. Permission forms are available from the office if your child would like to participate.

Please note these activities are free. Students are provided with a fruit snack and they run from 3.45pm-4.45pm on the designated afternoons.

Children’s Book Week
August 16-22

This year the theme is “Connect to Reading”. The students are encouraged to interview a significant adult in their lives about a favourite book from their childhood.

Why was this book a favourite?
How did it spark your imagination?
Did the book encourage you to read more or write your own?

We will be creating a “Book Connection Wall” displaying photos of the adults, the students and the favourite books.

Guitar/Singing Lessons

Earl Leonard is available to teach guitar/singing this term to interested students. Please call Earl on 0411492572 to arrange lessons.

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT RECORD

We are reintroducing our monthly Student Code of Conduct Records. Every student will receive a card with a record of their classroom and playground conduct. For new families to the school this year, these records are to highlight positive items that your child has achieved and been rewarded. It is also a record of behaviour/s that may need improvement.

When the cards are sent home, we ask that parents view and discuss with their child the information on the record and then sign and return the next day.

Thank you
Geoff Dickson

School Uniform Committee – Looking for new members

Last night at School Council we discussed the school uniform and suggested changes to our polo top. We are seeking interested parents to join our uniform committee to look into the current uniform items and some suggested changes. If you would like to be part of this committee please see either Pam or Andrew at the office. We are hoping that suggestions from this committee will be presented at our next School Council meeting in September.

NED Yoyos

Thank you to the students who have purchased yoyos to support the NED Program. Sales of these yoyos will finish on Thursday.
Study Finds No Safe Level of Missing School

Missing just one day of school has negative consequences for a student’s academic achievement, the first major study linking poor attendance to lower NAPLAN results has found.

And school attendance patterns established as early as year 1 can predict how often a student will show up to class right throughout high school, according to the research.

Australia is alarmingly slack when it comes to school attendance, with high school students skipping more days of school than almost any other developed country. An analysis of the attendance records and NAPLAN results of more than 400,000 students from Western Australia found any absence of school leads to a slip in academic performance.

The study dispels the common belief there is a safe level of absence students can get away with before their grades will suffer.

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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 awards at assembly on Friday.

Room 1 Miss Kate – Scarlett Watson – For always following the TRIBES agreements.
Room 2 Miss Morrison –
Room 3 Mrs Lawlor/Mrs Polkinghorne–Daniel Smith – For trying his Personal Best in writing.
Room 4 Mr Robinson – Reese Watson – For her positive attitude and always working to her best.
Room 5 Mr Vagg – Dylan Mangelsdorf – For improved work ethic in class.
Room 6 Mrs Dent – Jordan Day – For personal best in class
Room 7 Mr White – Tahlia Bridges – For her attentive listening and involvement during class discussion.
Room 8 Ms Giuretto – Kyle Young – For staying focused in class.
Room 9 Mr Fisher – Annie Sullivan – For taking lots of pride in her work.
Room 11 Mrs Romeril/Mr Tait – John Worland – For always having a red hot go.
Room 12 Mr Prockter – Abbie Morgan – For being a great role model.

Art: Jack Bailey – For his persistence in trying different knots.
Sport: Jordan Hayes – For being a supportive team mate.
LOTE: Grant Bernard & Phoebe Bernard – For always doing their personal best in LOTE