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 now have limited vacancies across the school for 2015. We encourage new families to enrol ASAP to avoid disappointment. Transition programs for Prep will commence soon. We thank all families who have enrolled their children at Caledonian Primary School.

Calendar

November

Wednesday 12th
Community Connect Lunch Day
Active After School Program – Soccer

Thursday 13th
Free Dress Day – Livvi’s Place Fundraiser. – Gold coin donation

Friday 14th
Swimming Program
Working Bee 3:30pm onwards.

Tuesday 18th
Active After School Program – Cricket
2015 Preps here 2-3pm.

Wednesday 19th
General Assembly in multi-purpose room at 9:00am.
Active After School Program - Soccer

20th – 22nd
Energy Breakthrough at Maryborough

Friday 21st
Swimming Program

Tuesday 25th
Active After School Program - Cricket

Friday 28th
Swimming Program

December

Monday 1st
School Council meeting 7:30pm

Tuesday 2nd
Active After School Program – Soccer
2015 Preps Family information night. 7pm

Wednesday 3rd
General Assembly in the multi-purpose room at 9:00am

Friday 5th
Swimming Program

Tuesday 9th
Orientation Day

Thursday 11th
Grades 3-6 excursion to Adventure Park Geelong.

Friday 12th
Swimming Program

Monday 15th
Year 6 Graduation Dinner

Tuesday 16th
Parent Teacher Interviews

APPRECIATIONS

A big thank you to the staff and parents who assisted with meals for the Donald Primary School staff and students last week.
Concert DVD
If you have ordered a concert DVD please collect it from the office by **Friday 14th November**. Cost of DVD is $10.00 payable on collection. DVDs not collected by then will be sold to others on our waiting list.

Aussie Farmers Direct Boxes
The Junior Unit are collecting the black Aussie Farmers Direct Boxes for a little project for Developmental Play. If you have any of these boxes that you are able to donate, could you please drop them off to Miss Kate. Many thanks!

Working Bee – Friday 14th November
We would appreciate as many families as possible at our working bee on Friday 14th November. Come along from 3:30 onwards and help us “Spring Clean” our grounds. BBQ sausages and refreshments will be provided for all workers. Please bring along mowers, rakes, shovels, paint brushes, window cleaning equipment, barrows, gardening gloves.

Head Lice
Parents are reminded that Tuesday night is the advised time to check children’s hair for headlouse. We will conduct checks at school each Wednesday morning. Please note we are required by Government policy to send students home immediately if live lice are detected. Students with live lice cannot return to school until treated. Your cooperation in checking your child/ren’s hair would be greatly appreciated by staff.

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, 18th & 25th Nov. and 2nd & 9th Dec, 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.

Caledonian Community Connect News

**Community Connect Important Events & Dates**
Wed 12th Nov – Healthy Lunch Day for staff and students
Wed 26th Nov – Afternoon of music and dance – opportunity for students that are currently undertaking music/dancing lessons to showcase their talents to a special person in their lives. Afternoon tea to be provided by Community Connect.
Mega Xmas Raffle – to be drawn at the final assembly of the year.
Mon 15th Dec – Grade 6 Graduation dinner at Victoria Bowling Club

**Healthy Lunch Day- Tomorrow, 12th November**
We have been delighted with the response, a huge amount of healthy lunch orders were placed. We are sure the students are going to gobble up the delicious rolls & sandwiches! Parents/Carers able to help with preparation are asked to meet in the Multi Kitchen from 10:00am any help for any length of time would be appreciated!

**MEGA XMAS RAFFLE – To be drawn at mid-December**
Community Connect will be hosting a Mega Xmas Raffle and are already excited about the number of prizes we have! We would like to ask all families to donate a non-perishable item to be used to increase the number of prizes we are able to offer. All items collected will be placed into various
sized hampers so that we can spread the Xmas cheer far and wide. If you would like to donate an item for the raffle, please leave it with Pam at the office. Tickets will be sent home soon.

Playgroup

Playgroup will now be held on Friday mornings in the multi-purpose hall at 9:00am. All babies, toddlers and preschoolers most welcome to come and join our fun.

Before School Care

From the beginning of 2015 we hope to commence Before School Care for those parents who may need this service. School Council have approved a 6 month trial for terms 1 & 2 of next year to look into the viability of such a service. We will of course continue with our After School Care. We are currently looking into times, staffing etc and will have further information available in a later newsletter. In the meantime if you would like to use this service next year, please register your child with the office.

Livvi’s Place Fundraiser – Casual Clothes Day

The Touched by Olivia Foundation, in partnership with the City of Ballarat and Bank of Melbourne are building the region’s first inclusive playground at Victoria Park. This facility will become a community hub, where citizens, regardless of their ability, will be able to meet and play side by side.

Caledonian Primary School will have a Casual Clothes Day on Thursday 13th November. In particular students are encouraged to wear Olivia’s colours - pink, blue or yellow. Students are encouraged to make a gold coin donation.

WORKING BEE

WHEN: Friday 14th November
TIME: 3.30pm Onwards
PLEASE BRING: Mowers, Whipper Snippers, Barrows, Rakes, Shovels, Paint Brushes, Window Cleaning Equipment etc.

All parents/guardians are very welcome to join us at our “Spring Working Bee”.

BBQ Sausages and refreshments will be provided.

HOLD THE PHONE!
Caledonian’s first every after school gaming lounge?
All students who are accompanied by their parents to the working bee will be granted a free pass to the Pelican Gaming Lounge – Xboxes, PS4s, Wils, iPads.
FREE POPCORN ALL AFTERNOON!!
Students of the Week

Congratulations to the following students of the week who will be presented with their awards at assembly on Wednesday 19th November at 9:00am:

Room 1 Miss Kate – Genevieve Fecteau for trying her personal best and making good choices
Room 2 Miss Morrison – Tyla Currie-Caine for his amazing efforts in Reading.
Room 3 Mrs Lawlor/Mrs Polkinghorne – Joel Elford for always smiling and being a great friend in Team Prep.
Room 4 Mr Robinson – Elijah Wright for making huge improvements in his writing.
Room 5 Mr Vagg – Darcy O’Farrell for trying really hard at Kanga Cricket.
Room 6 Mrs Dent – Arden Fasce for excellent effort in writing.
Room 7 Mr White – David Adams for valuing the Tribes Agreements.
Room 8 Ms Giurietto -
Room 9 Mr Fisher – Kaely Pynn for incredible efforts during our testing days.
Room 11 Miss Bull – Bailey Clarke for being a grealp help around the classroom
Room 12 Mr Prockter – Andrew Sanders for trying hard to up level his writing.

Art – Wally Scott for careful cutting and folding to make 3D “horse”
LOTE – Ewan Martin for good sense of listening in Chinese
PE – Jonah Wright for great team work
Music – Murphy Carden for fabulous singing in Music.

MOVEMBER

This year the gents at Caledonian Primary School have once again decided to refrain from shaving above the top lip for Movember. Please feel free to drop in to the staffroom to purchase a MoYo biscuit! We will have a school event to celebrate the “Moustache” in the coming weeks.