



Wednesday Weekly

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From the Principal

COOL CARE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Last week Cool Care celebrated their 20th birthday. The program has continued to grow from strength to strength over the years and we congratulate all staff involved on the high level of care provided to students. Many events took place over the course of the week in celebration of reaching this great milestone. **Happy Birthday Cool Care** and thank you to all the staff for all the great work you do!

SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACEMENTS

Our Year 6 students have today received notification of their secondary school placements for next year. As you can see from the table below, our students will be transferring to various schools.

Secondary School	Total
Alphington SC	1
Bundoora SC	1
Concord	1
Eltham	1
Greensborough SC	11
Hazel Glen College	1
Loyola College	4
Macleod College	2
Maribyrnong College	1
Montmorency SC	29
Parade College	13
Plenty Valley Christian College	1
The Lakes, South Morang	1
St Helena SC	3
Templestowe SC	2
Viewbank SC	10

Students who have not received a place in their preferred school have been allocated to their designated neighbourhood school. Parents/guardians may lodge an appeal against an enrolment allocation decision. Any appeal by parents/guardians against a government secondary school's decision not to provide a Year 7 placement must be lodged with the preferred secondary

school by 25 August, where it will be considered by the principal. Any further appeal should be lodged in writing outlining the grounds for appeal, to the DEECD Regional Director by Friday 5 September. Appeals are considered based on the priority order of placement.

If parent/guardians have any questions about the transition process, please do not hesitate to contact **Mr Tony Moore**, our Year 6 -7 Transition. On **Tuesday 9 December**, secondary schools will host an Orientation Day for Year 6 students.

VIETNAM VETERANS COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE

Thank you to the Watsonia North representative student group and their families that attended the Commemorative Service at Memorial Park last Saturday. On behalf of our school community, we placed a floral tribute in honour of all who have served our county and the supreme sacrifice they have made. A very special thank you to **Ms Julianne Haldon** for once again coordinating and organising representation from our school at the service.

CONSIDERATION FOR OUR NEIGHBOURS & THE ENVIRONMENT

School pick up and drop off times are busy traffic times and we ask members of our school community to be considerate and mindful of our school neighbours during these times. Recently, I received a complaint from a local resident in Cameron Parade, because someone had littered the nature strip with cigarette butts. In fact, the contents of the person's car ashtray had been emptied onto the nature strip whilst the individual was waiting to collect their child from school! It is disappointing to hear of such a thing and such behaviour reflects badly upon all of us as a school community, not to mention the negative environmental impact.

Tina King (Principal)

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Hi everyone!

Wow, what an enormous week we had last week. Turning 20 certainly is exhausting!. Seriously though, we had a fantastic time and the children told me several times how 'special' they felt being part of the Cool Care celebrations. As mentioned in the build up to our week, every afternoon was filled with activities for the children, some of which they had not had a chance to experience before.

We were also lucky to have had quite a few Pancake Parlour vouchers for a complimentary lunch during the school holidays. In fairness, all the children that attended for the week had their name placed in a tub and the grade 5 and 6 children pulled out three children each session, totalling to 30 vouchers for the week. We hope this provides you all with a fun adventure through the coming holidays. This afternoon we will be involved in another cooking experience with The Travelling Kitchen. In the past we have made Fried Rice and Mexican boxes – today we have arranged a treat for the 'sweet tooth' with ricotta pancakes and yummy fillings.

Two of our students have been handing out their Frisbee prizes to the winners of their drawing challenge from several weeks ago. They announced their winners a little while ago, but we haven't had a spare week to hand them out. Apologies to the winners for the long delay, but I guess the old saying applies "better late than never"! Let's hope the winner allows you to go to a park nearby or a large open space to practice your Frisbee throwing and catching skills. Winners will be announced next week with the prizes ready to be distributed.

Please call me if you would like any Cool Care information. We are requesting families with outstanding fees to call past and finalise their accounts too please.

Have a great week!

Stay Cool – Jenny



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ICAS - SCIENCE

Dear families of students who participated in the
ICAS Science test:

The certificates of achievement have arrived and will be handed out at assembly on **Monday 25 August**.

Thank you for your support.

Sarah Pollnitz



ALICE IN WONDERLAND

My sincere thanks to my colleagues, parent helpers, and most importantly, the students, that worked so hard to make the 2014 Year 3 to 6 production such a success. Feedback so far is overwhelmingly positive - the common thread has been along the lines of "*Who would have thought that children their age were capable of such a performance?*" It is important to remember that along with the excitement of the experience itself, the very real learning that takes place is deep and long-lasting. I have no doubt most children will remember being in *Alice* for a long time to come!

PREP CONCERT

Our prep concert is coming up very soon on Thursday 4 September - save the date! This concert is a showcase of songs and dances the children have learned throughout the year, as well as putting stories they have heard in prep assemblies into performance. If parents are able to assist with creating costumes and props for the prep concert (I assure you it's nothing like what was required for *Alice in Wonderland*!!) please contact Mr Perry via the school or at music@wats-north.vic.edu.au

RECORDER PERFORMANCE

Early in September a group of recorder students will be performing in the foyer of the Melbourne Recital Centre in the city, as the "warm up" act for a daytime concert by the renowned recorder player Genevieve Lacey. It is a great privilege to have such an opportunity to perform. More information will be distributed to those families soon.

David Perry (Performing Arts Coordinator)

FOR SALE

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PE & Sport News

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Thursday, 28 August: Year 3/4 Hooptime @ Mill Park (selected students)
- Friday, 29 August: District Athletics @ Meadowglen Athletics Track
- Monday, 8 September: Day 2 – Year 5/6 Hooptime @ Mill Park (selected students)

HOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Last Wednesday, our House Athletics Carnival was held at Meadowglen Athletics track. We had beautiful weather for all students to compete in various track and field events. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the WNPS parent body for helping at the carnival – without your support, the day would not be a success. We had a fantastic finish to the day with our Parent/Teacher/House Captain 4 x 100 metre relay event. This year, the teacher team of Shane Frisby, Scott Eastwood, Sarah Linssen and Nick Kuhn took out the race - ½ metre in front of Edgley team! Another thank you to all teachers and support staff for your help throughout the day. One last thank you goes to CRAIG MARTIN for supplying the wonderful participation medals for all students!

This year's 2014 House winners were BATESON!

1 st	Bateson	580
2 nd	Gray	552
3 rd	Edgley	539
4 th	McCONNELL	497

The Watsonia District Athletics Carnival will be held at Meadowglen on Friday, 29 August. Successful students will receive information soon.

Trent O'Sullivan

(PE & Sports Coordinator)



Just a reminder from the Library that the latest Scholastic Bookclub orders are due by

MONDAY, 25 AUGUST.

Did you know that the school benefits from Bookclub sales? We receive many free books for the library each term, and also accumulate reward points which are used for teacher resources for the classrooms and the library. Last year, our rewards included 91 new books for the library worth \$1095! Thanks for your support and happy reading!

Judy Leigh (Library)

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WATSONIA PRE-SCHOOL FASHION PARADE

When: Thursday 28th August

7-8:30pm Market Stalls, Champagne and Nibble's

8:30 -10pm Fashion Parade & Entertainment.

Where: Concord (Junior Campus)

Meagher Street, Watsonia

Prizes given for the best little black dress!!!!

Door prizes to be won.

Raffle tickets for sale on the night \$2.00 each

Tickets: \$15.00 each (only 80 available)
Must be purchased by 21st August

Contact: Watsonia Pre-School 9434-4767

MC: Damien Woolnough – Deputy editor
of Elle Australia.

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Silent Auction Item

2013 Collingwood Football Jumper – signed by the whole team.

This collector's jumper comes in a custom display box, with team picture and certificate of authentication.

Silent Auction will be held on the evening of the Watsonia Pre-School Fashion Parade – August 28th.. with the highest bidder at 9:45pm being the proud owner of this wonderful item.....Bids can be emailed to watsonia.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au if you are unable to attend on the evening.....emailed bids close at 3:30pm on the day of the Fashion Parade.



Alice Photos



Alice Photos are on sale and on display in the Library
from Wednesday 13-27 August

Large photos are \$5 each

Please don't take any photos down from the display.
All photos will be delivered after the 27 August.

(PLEASE PAY Mr Eastwood or Mrs Leigh AND WE WILL WRITE YOUR NAME ON THE BACK OF THE PHOTO. PHOTOS WILL BE GIVEN OUT AFTER 27 AUGUST.)

If you would like a photo that already has a name on the back of it, SIMPLY pay your \$5 and we will add your name to the back of the photo and re-print it. The CAST PHOTO was very popular so we are re-printing some of those and delivering to student's class ASAP.

SPECIAL THANKS TO TEDS CAMERA NORTHLAND FOR THEIR SUPPORT!!!

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