



Wednesday Weekly

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From the Principal

Curriculum Day

Parents and carers are reminded that Friday 4 March is a Curriculum Day. Students are not required to attend school on this day and alternative care arrangements must be made.

STAFF CAR PARK – CHILDREN'S SAFETY

A reminder to all parents and visitors that **parking in the staff car park or entering/exiting the staff car park when picking up and dropping off children, is strictly prohibited.** This is necessary for children's safety and we seek your compliance with this request. Parents and visitors should use the pedestrian gates in Sharpes Road or Dundee Street when entering or exiting the school grounds.

PARENTAL ASSISTANCE

A successful school is one where teachers and parents work together to enhance the learning of the students. At Watsonia North we have been fortunate to have the assistance of a large number of parents, grandparents and friends. Once again, we are asking for your help and letters requesting parental assistance will be forwarded to families tomorrow. We do understand that, for a number of reasons, ways in which parents are able to help varies considerably. We know and appreciate the help many parents give to School Council, Fundraising Committee, Canteen, etc. However, we would like to give everyone the opportunity to help in the school's programs in some way. Your children will certainly benefit from your involvement.

A reminder to all our volunteers and helpers, that the school maintains a register of parents who have a current Working With Children Check (WWC). Thank you all the people who have presented their cards to the office staff. If you have not already done so, or have not applied for the WWC check we ask that you give this your due attention.

P L E A S E V O L U N T E E R



WE NEED YOU!

If you would like to be part of the fundraising planning committee and do some great things for the students at Watsonia North and our school community, please come along to the Fundraising Committee Annual General Meeting (AGM), or call in to see me to volunteer your services. No experience necessary – just your enthusiasm and ideas!!

The AGM will be held on **THURSDAY 3 MARCH** at 9:15am in the staffroom – so please come and join.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP BADGE PRESENTATION ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to all students who have been elected to the various Student Leadership roles within the school. At a special whole school assembly on Monday, the **Presentation of Badges Ceremony** was conducted, with all student leaders receiving their badge of office. We extend a sincere thank you to the visitors who assisted with the badge presentation – our school student leaders from 2015, and special guests **Leading Senior Constables Tania Perry and Belinda Jones** from Heidelberg CIB.

We were delighted that Tania was kind enough to address all those in attendance, speaking about the importance of values and sharing with us the values of Victoria Police. On behalf of all, I would like to thank and congratulate **Julianne Haldon, Scott Eastwood and Sarah Linssen** for all their great planning and organisation of this event. A special feature will appear in next week's Wednesday Weekly providing a photographic display of our elected Student Leadership body for this year.

Tina King (Principal)



Tel: 9432 3213 24 hours

Hi everyone!

Several of the children arrived proudly on Monday afternoon following the badge presentations Monday morning. Well done to all recipients, thank you for providing our school with such wonderful leadership for 2016. I am sure lessons learnt this year will become a part of your life management in years to come. Congratulations to you all.

Imaginations are running wild this week. The art and craft participants, (following requests from several children), will contribute to a large display of 'IMAGINARY LAND'. Our girls have commenced their drawing challenge and that, coincidentally enough, also has the Imaginary World theme. We expect that each will complement the other. The entries already received for the drawing challenge are amazing. Children's imaginations invite us into a whole new realm. Fantastic!

As mentioned last week, we will not be running a Cool Care program this Friday 4/3. We require a minimum of 20 children to operate and the requests for bookings did not equate to this figure - therefore no Cool Care on Friday this week.

Our gardens will be receiving some well-deserved attention this week. With the hot weather, thankfully our watering regime has kept them looking healthy, however, it is time to replace our sunflowers with some hearty vegetables and compost and natural liquid fertiliser from our worm farms. We are currently considering some rainbow silver beet and additional herbs, hardy enough to survive the winter frosts and colder winds. The gardening gurus are in 'think' mode so stay tuned for more details as the term progresses.

Best Cool Care wishes for a fantabulous week!

Stay Cool, Jenny

PE & Sport News

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

ROUND 4



Sport	WNPS	Watsonia Heights
Basketball Boys	24	10
Basketball Girls	32	4
Bat Tennis Boys	36	0
Bat Tennis Girls	26	15
Rounders	18	4
Cricket	4/51	4/82

INTERSCHOOL SPORT THIS WEEK

**** THURSDAY, 3 MARCH ****

Round 5: WNPS v Streeton (home). Cricket at Warrawee Park and all other sports at WNPS, starting at **9.30am until 10.45am.**

Trent O'Sullivan (PE & Sport Coordinator)

WATSONIA NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL PREP INFORMATION EVENING



Come along and meet our team!
 Thursday 17 March 2016
 7pm in the Library (enter via Sharpes Rd)
 Parents of children eligible to begin Prep in 2017 are invited to attend our Information Evening.
 Please telephone the school on 9435 1285 to make your booking.

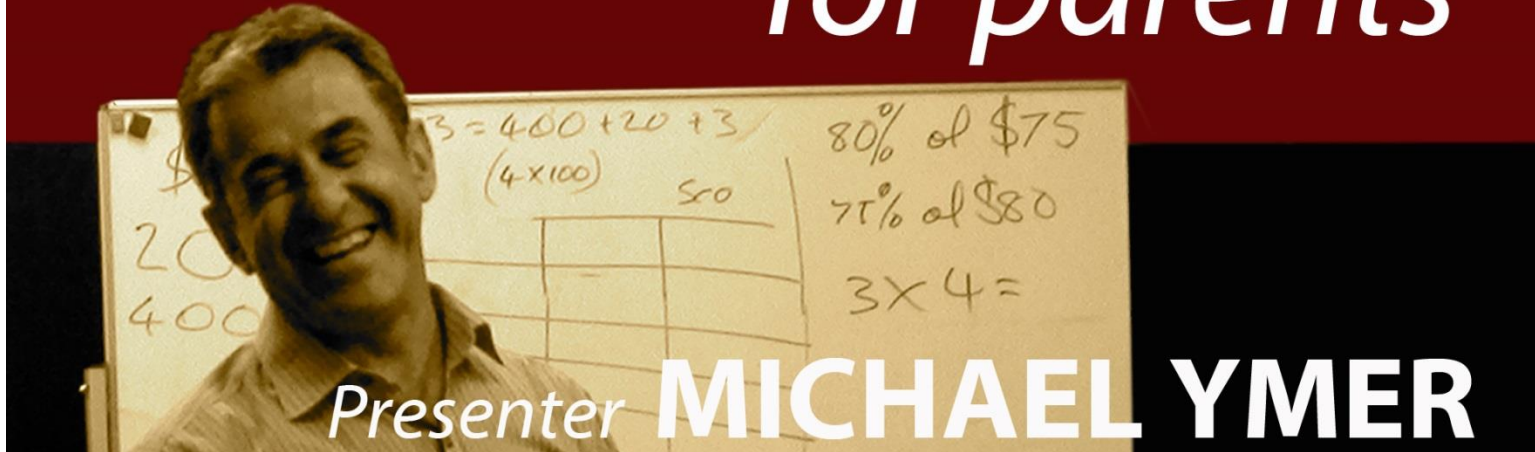


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MATHEMATICS

for parents



Presenter **MICHAEL YMER**

TUESDAY, 8 MARCH 2016 – 7.00 to 8.30PM

Michael is a specialist Mathematics Consultant from Melbourne, Australia. He is involved in many Professional Development programs in schools across Australia and Asia. Michael is an enthusiastic and entertaining presenter who has a clear and practical approach to the challenges that confront schools and parents in mathematics.

On this evening, Michael will address the following:

- **What is my child learning in mathematics?**
- **How can I help my child become an efficient problem solver?**
- **How do children best learn mathematics?**
- **How can parents promote quality thinking and learning?**
- **How can I help my child in mathematics?**

The seminar, which will be held at Watsonia North Primary School, is highly recommended to all parents who wish to gain an insight into the focus of mathematics in our school and offer strategies and ideas to help support their child/children.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS AN ADULT ONLY EVENT



Diamond Valley Relay for Life 2016 – March 19 and 20

Watsonia North Primary School

A team made up of teachers, students, parents and friends

Why we participate ...

Our team participates in the Relay for Life because we are passionate about making others aware of the courageous journey that all affected by cancer undertake. This includes those who have cancer, who have had cancer, carers and family and friends of those affected.

We feel that this is an amazing way for us to acknowledge the affects that cancer has on our community. It is an opportunity to bond as a community and show the support and positivity that is always there when it is needed. This year we are creating stars to decorate our campsite. Each grade will be designing a star wreath. Stars represent a big change or turning point in someone's life. They are significant in symbolising dreams and hopes. We think that this is perfect for the message of HOPE from the Cancer Council for the Relay for Life. We are also making single stars to hang in the campsite. If anyone would like to purchase a star to have a special person's name written on it we have lots available for a gold coin donation. To register to be part of our team please log onto the Relay for Life website or follow this link to register for the Watsonia North Primary School team at the Diamond Valley relay for Life:

https://secure.fundraising.cancer.org.au/site/SPageServer?pagename=relay_for_life#/search-teams?team_name=Watsonia%20North%20Primary%20School

Please note that students must be accompanied by an adult at all times during the time they are at the Relay for Life.

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RELAY FOR LIFE OUT OF SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY

On Friday 18 March we will be having an out of school uniform day in support of the Relay for Life.

We would love everyone to wear something purple or yellow or a combination of both colours and BRING ALONG A GOLD COIN DONATION.

A COMMUNITY WALK AROUND THE SCHOOL BLOCK WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE AFTERNOON ON FRIDAY AT 2.40PM.

Classes will assemble on the oval and complete one lap of the block to show our support for this great cause.

Parents are welcome to come down and join in the walk and be part of this day. Look forward to seeing you there.

All money raised on the day will be donated to the Anti Cancer Council and go toward our school team goal.





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SEASON INFORMATION:

When:	Saturday mornings
Where:	Binnak Park, Sharpes Road, Watsonia North
Time:	9.00am – 10.30am
Enquiries: email:	watsnthauskick@gmail.com
Phone:	Tania or Mark 0413088207

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Wednesday 2016
23rd March

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