I am pleased to announce that this fortnight’s lucky winner of the Waverley Cinema gift voucher is Rebecca L’s family in Group 16. Congratulations to this family. We will be drawing another winner after the term break.

A great ‘Footy Day' was enjoyed by all at the school this Thursday. We were lucky with the weather in that, although it was windy and cold, the rain held off until later in the day. Thank you to James and the staff for ensuring this event was enjoyable for all participants.

Those families who have visited the school in the last week will have noticed that a new fence and gate have been erected on the walkway directly outside the office. This development is specifically related to student safety. As you are aware our car park at times is very busy with traffic, plus the school is situated within close proximity to major roads. Given the chance a small number of our students will leave the school grounds without the necessary supervision, this will place them at great risk. We have therefore taken steps to significantly reduce the likelihood of this occurring by restricting direct access to the traffic areas from via the walkway from the school age classrooms.

At this stage we are trialling locking the gate at 9.10am and unlocking it at 2.50pm, to ensure students and families have ready access at the student drop off and pick up times.

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Key Dates

**Jun. ‘16**
- Every Tues. My Time Group Meetings
- Fri. 24 Last Day Term 2. School Finishes at 2.30 PM

**Jul. ‘16**
- Mon. 11 First Day Term 3
- Tues. 12 Circus Quirkus Ticket requests due
- Thurs. 28 Molly Denes Pie Delivery

**Aug. ‘16**

**Term Dates 2016**
- Term 1 January 28 – March 24
- Term 2 April 11 – June 24
- Term 3 July 11 – September 16
- Term 4 October 03 – December 20

**Pupil Free Days 2016**
- Jun Tuesday, 14th
- Oct Monday, 31st
- Dec Tuesday, 20th

**Public Holidays - Victoria**
- Nov Tue 1 - Melbourne Cup

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**WHAT’S IN THIS NEWSLETTER….**
- Message from the Principal
- From the Office
- From the Nurse
- My Time Group Meetings
- Molly Denes Pie Drive
- Circus Quirkus

**OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST….**
- Twilight Disco
- Swim 4 All Try Out Day
- Monash University Study
- Cerebral Palsy Support Network
- Jumpfit Fitness Classes
- Positive Food Workshop
Finally, on behalf of the staff I wish everyone a healthy, safe and enjoyable break from the school term routines and I trust everyone has some warm indoor activities planned for the next 2 weeks.

The following message has been provided as a warning by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission:

The ACCC is warning the public to be alert to scams offering fake gift cards or vouchers in return for disclosing credit card and other personal information.

Fake gift card promotions are being used to trick consumers into handing over their personal information, such as banking details or passwords, which are later used to steal money or personal identity information, or to on-sell to other scammers.

The ACCC is suggesting that consumers protect personal information by verifying whether an offer is legitimate by checking if it is listed on the retailers’ official website or by calling the retailers’ official customer service line.

_ Helen McCoy_
Principal

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From the Nurse...

In accordance with the National Immunisation Program, all Year 7 students will be offered the following vaccinations:

- A single dose of Chickenpox
- A single dose of Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (Boostrix)
- Three doses of Human Papillomavirus vaccine (HPV).

Consent cards will be sent home to Year 7 students (born 2003). These will need to be completed and returned to school by the date specified. The following are the confirmed dates for the Monash council to visit our school for the above immunisations.

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Invoices for the 2016 year have now been forwarded to you in the post.

Thank-you to those families who have made their payments.

If paying your account via direct deposit please ensure that the highlighted Reference Code is included so the amount can be allocated to the correct account.

Should you require a payment plan please do not hesitate to contact Deb Crawley to discuss this matter.

A gentle reminder to those parents whose children go to respite care: due to limited space on the buses, please make sure your child’s bags are no larger than a carry-on size.

Thank you

Please remember to label your child’s clothing appropriately so they can be identified and returned when they are mislaid.

Unsure what Centrelink payments are available to you? Visit www.humanservices.gov.au and select the Payment Finder.
Dear Parents & Staff,

We are conducting a Pie & Slice Drive fundraiser with Molly Denes. Orders and monies or cheques made payable to Molly Denes are to be returned to school by no later than THURSDAY 21st of July 2016.

Pies and Slices will be delivered to school on Thursday 28th of July 2016. All orders can be collected after 2-00pm by parents from School or the children can take them home on the bus.

Thank you,
Fundraising Committee
CIRCUS QUIRKUS

Hi everyone we are lucky enough to have the tickets available again for the Circus Quirkus Show ran by QPA.

The show is a fantastic live stage show that is a fun day for the children and their families.

Saturday 6 August 2023 Melbourne Convention Centre, Plenary Hall 1, South Wharf

Three times are available please indicate how many of tickets and which time you are interested in attending.

Also remember each person attending will require a ticket. Child, mum, dad, siblings etc.

Please return to your school office by Tuesday, 12th July 2023.

Circus Quirkus

Family Name: ________________________________
Child's Name: _________________________________
Class: _____________________________________

Please circle: 10am  1pm  4pm

Number of tickets: ______  ______  ______

www.circusquirkus.com.au

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SIBZ

A new program for siblings of individuals with cerebral palsy

The CPSN is excited to announce the trial of a new program specifically for individuals who have a sibling or siblings with cerebral palsy.

The SIBZ program is a uniquely structured social and recreation program that aims to provide a fun and enjoyable environment for individuals to socialise and develop new relationships with others who share a common experience of living with an individual with a disability.

The program is a safe environment for individuals to express their feelings. Participants receive one on one time, with a focus on making them feel valued, important and supported. The fortnightly gatherings are designed to be a break for participants from their everyday lives, roles and responsibilities and will feature activities that are not only fun, but empower individuals with strategies to cope with everyday life and to develop new relationships.

Program Details

Venue: Ringwood Central Community Centre

Program Dates: Mid May then fortnightly Saturday sessions including in house and community-based activities.

Time: 10am to 4pm

Cost: $10 per session

Contact: Jill Featon, (03) 9478 1091

To apply: Submit an Expression of Interest at www.cpsn.org.au

SIBZ is an initiative of the Cerebral Palsy Support Network and EACH-Social and Community Health.

For more details call (03) 9478 1001 or head to www.cpsn.org.au
MyTime at Monash Special Developmental School in 2016
EVERY TUESDAY at 9.15 in the Library
All parents and carers are welcomed.

- MyTime is open to anyone caring for a child with disability, developmental delay, or chronic medical condition. Groups are open to everyone, regardless of the condition of their child. Children below school age may also attend groups with their parent or carer.
- MyTime groups provide a place to socialise, to discuss, to get information, and to support and be supported by other carers.
- Facilitators work with group members, helping them get to know each other and learn more about the services and supports in their area. Members choose what they would like to discuss in these groups, with help from the facilitator. Depending on what the group wants to do, the facilitator might guide group activities or provide resources.
- Facilitators are workers from local organisations. They have qualifications and experience in disability, parenting or family support and bring to the MyTime group a good understanding of local resources and support services.
- Play helpers keep children, including under school aged siblings, busy and active in activities so members can spend time catching up with one another.
- MyTime is free.

mytime.net.au

FREE TRY OUT DAY

Swim 4 All provides high quality swimming and water safety lessons to all, specialising in teaching children with special needs and disabilities. Swim 4 All teachers are Austswim qualified & disability trained.

Werribee Pool - Sat 9th July between 1-3pm
Wheeler's Hill - Sat 16th July between 12-2pm
Murrumbeena - Sun 17th July between 12-3pm

Please call or email to book your Free Lesson
natalie@swim4all.com.au  Ph: 0411 131 641
www.swim4all.com.au

MONASH University

How I Feel: Asking adolescents about their emotions

Emotional problems are often under recognised in young people with an intellectual disability.

The Monash University Centre for Developmental Psychiatry and Psychology are conducting research about young people with emotional difficulties by asking them to identify emotion words that they feel.

This project aims to develop a visual questionnaire (an e-Feel) that helps adolescents to express their emotions, this tool may be used for their emotions.

If you are looking for parents who have a child aged 12-16 years with an intellectual disability that either does or does not experience difficulties with their emotions, you can help with this study even if your child does not have emotional difficulties.
JumpFit Fitness Classes
Jump in with our JumpFit classes and have a blast whilst burning off those unwanted calories. $15 per session (45mins)
Booking is essential

$10 Junior Jumper Super Sessions
Parents are FREE* (school terms)
10am-3pm Mon to Fri, unlimited access to trampolines and Kidszone
(1 free parent per child, grips socks extra, child must be under 110cm)

20% off Weekday Parties
School terms only

Perfect Birthday Gift ideas!
JumpDeck Gift Card

JUMPDECK FAMILY PASS
2 Adults 42 Children $40
(grip socks extra)

Making Sense of the Senses: Understanding Sensory Integration

Does your child have trouble sitting still? Put two objects in their reach, how many of them can they pick up? Take a pile of clothes and ask them to sort them by color. How do they prefer to get dressed? Do they get overwhelmed with new experiences? How do they process information? You have answered yes to any of these questions it is likely your child has sensory processing challenges.

Sensory processing skills form the foundation upon which your child does all of their developing and learning. Yet, this topic remains largely unexplored and misunderstood. Pediatric Occupational Therapist, Hannah Gamble will explain how the sensory system works and what the developmental and behavioral implications are when your child is not processing sensory input well. In addition, you will learn how to identify some of the tricks on how to help your child when they are overwhelmed.

This workshop is aimed at Early Childhood Educators, Primary School Staff and Parents

Presenter: Hannah Gamble, Pediatric Occupational Therapist
Thrive Occupational Therapy for Kids

Date: Tuesday 19th July 2016
Time: 7pm with doors open from 6:45pm

Price: $25 for Parents inc GST
$30 for Educators and other Professionals inc GST
All Educators and other Professionals receive a Certificate of Participation

GROUP BOOKINGS
10+ PARTICIPANTS FOR $20 a person
15+ PARTICIPANTS FOR $15 a person

Please email kat@takebreakaustralia.com.au for the Discount Code

Location: Croydon Bowling Club – 322 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon
Parking available at Amadale Shopping Centre (across the road)


www.spectrumjourneys.org.au

POSITIVE FOOD

POSITIVE KIDS

WORKSHOP
For parents with children who need assistance to change eating habits.

Date: SAT AUG 6th 2016
Time: 9 am to 4 pm
Cost: $120 pp

EAT

Plan

Fun

CHANGE

For kids with food intolerances, sensory & developmental concerns

Identifying eating goals
Behavioural strategies
Cooking demonstrations
Modifying recipes and food tips

See www.independenceaustralia.com/takebreak for more details,