Dear Parents and Carers,

Our building program is about to enter the construction phase and a component of this is relocating some of our portable classrooms. It is also necessary for classes to be moved into other areas of the school building, to ensure their learning is not interrupted during this time. My first priority is the safety and welfare of our staff and students during these times.

This week we saw our year 4 students move to the library where they have set up three class module areas. Mrs Alderuccio’s year twos have made the staff planning area their home until the building program is completed. The room was, in a past life, the science room so it is used to the hustle and bustle of student life. Miss Buttigieg’s grade three are moving to the year 4D room. Year 3T will be located in the Science Room and 3H in the Art Room for the remainder of the term and move back to their classrooms when they are relocated. Now this may sound confusing so if you are in doubt ask your child. I’ve never seen so many happy children regarding moving their rooms and setting up their classroom in a new space. I might try it more often… only joking teachers!

The major activity for the next two weeks is the relocation of the portable classrooms out to the front of the school, adjacent to the car park boundary. There will be a fair amount of temporary fencing to provide a clear boundary between school and the building site. I will display some drawings outlining the new buildings in the windows of the Art room.

I must be watching too much tv with shows about renovations and new constructions but we also have a very special surprise for all the children. During the week, the current adventure playground equipment is being taken away in readiness for a new…………………now you will have to wait for next week’s episode of the newsletter to find out what is going in this area. Let’s just say that it will be a first for Craigieburn!

Birthday wishes to all these children who have celebrated their birthday this week. Anna 6V, Keisha 4M, Chelsea Prep E, Paige 6V, Nathan 4C, Francesca 4M, Janice 4D, Mevinu 4M, Mr McArdle and Mrs Pana Namrood - HAPPY BIRTHDAY EVERYONE.

Student reports are being prepared for printing this week and they will be going home on Monday 15th June in readiness for the Parent Conversations scheduled for Wednesday 17th June. Please refer to booking instructions contained later in the newsletter. Students will be dismissed on this day at 1.00 pm, to allow the teachers to commence interviews at 1.30. Interviews are of 15minutes duration.
I invite all families to come in and have a look at the “Butterfly” display outside my office and I leave you with the words on the display. Special thanks to our hardworking Learning Support Teachers who assisted me in getting all 585 butterflies on the display and Mrs Beale for assisting the children in colouring the butterflies so beautifully.

A child is like a butterfly in the wind.
Some can fly higher than others,
But each one can fly the best it can.
Each one is different.
Each one is beautiful.
Each one is special.

Have a chilly long weekend, see you in Ballarat on Tuesday (that’s for the grade fives)

Paul McEntee
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 8th June              Queens Birthday Public Holiday - STUDENT FREE DAY
Tuesday 9th June             Year 5 Camp to Sovereign Hill (One night)
Wednesday 17th June          Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:30 – School closes 1:00pm
Friday 19th June             Prep 2016 Enrolments Close
Sunday 21st June             Year 4 First Eucharist
Friday 26th June             Last day of Term 2 – School finishes 1:00pm
Monday 13th July             Term 3 commences
Weekend 25/26th July         Year 6 Confirmation Sign Up Weekend
Wednesday 5th August         Confirmation Parent/Child Workshop
Weekend 15th/16th August     Confirmation Presentation Weekend
Wednesday 12th August        Bishop Terry Curtin visit to Year 6’s
Monday 24th August           Book Week
Sunday 30th August           Year 6 Confirmation
Tuesday 6th September        Our Lady’s Feast Day Mass
Friday 18th September        Last day of Term 3 – School finishes 1:00pm
Monday 5th October           Term 4 commences
Tuesday 13th October         Prep 2016 Information Night 7:00pm
Wednesday 14th October       Prep 2016 Information Day 9:30am
Thursday 22nd October        Prep 2016 Orientation 11:30am – 1:30pm
Sunday 25th October          Our Lady’s Parish Fete
Thursday 29th October        Prep 2016 Orientation 11:30am – 1:30pm
Monday 2nd November          SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY
Tuesday 3rd November         Melbourne Cup Public Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSURE
Thursday 12th November       Prep 2016 “Meet the Teacher” 11:30am – 1:30pm
Wednesday 16th December      End of Year Mass 9:15am – All Welcome
**Religious Education News**
Mary McCormick, R.E. Leader

**FIRST EUCHARIST**
Sunday June 21st – 1pm & 3pm at Our Lady’s Church

**CONFIRMATION**
Sunday 30th August – 3pm at Kolbe Catholic College, Greenvale Lakes

**Feast of the Sacred Heart- Grocery Collection & Mass**: June 12th at 9.15am
We will be collecting groceries to donate to St. Vincent De Paul Society over the next few weeks to help those in need in our local community.
We will be asking grades to bring in specific items so that we are able to donate a variety of items. There is a list below of what your child will be asked to donate:

- **Year Prep**
  - Cans of Soup

- **Year One**
  - Cans of Spaghetti

- **Year Two**
  - Packets of cake mixes & biscuit mixes

- **Year Three**
  - Long life milk

- **Year Four**
  - Pasta & Rice

- **Year Five**
  - Pasta Sauce

- **Year Six**
  - Packet of Cereal

Please send them to your child’s classroom by Thursday 11th June.

**School Masses:**
All families welcome to attend these masses. Morning tea is available after mass.

June 5th  
Year 2

June 12th  
Feast of the Sacred Heart Whole

June 26th  
School Mass
Year Prep
The Year 5 and 6 children have participated in a workshop run by experts from headspace. We have a headspace centre in Craigieburn (Craigieburn Central).

The workshop focused on self awareness and self management. The key message is that our physical health is important, but it is just as important to look after our mental health. If we need help in regards to our mental health, it is very important to seek help and advice from experts.

It was great to hear the feedback given by the 2 presenters. They were so impressed with the level of emotional literacy our children use. They said that our were confident about talking about their feelings and what coping strategies they use when their emotions are heightened. This is a great indication to us, as a school, that the social and emotional learning at our school is positively impacting on our children.

These are some comments about the headspace workshop from our year 5 children:

“I learnt that there are lots of ways to calm yourself down and not just 1 or 2 ways” Chloe 5B

“I learnt that people who have mental health problems are not crazy” Darren 5B

“I learnt that meditation can help you be more focused and relaxed” Molly 5B
“I learnt that when you feel upset you can listen to relaxing music or just go to a trusted adult” Kayla 5B

“Mental health problems are common and no laughing matter” Abraham 5B

For more information  http://www.headspace.org.au/

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SEASONS

What is the SEASONS program?

Seasons is a program for children who have experienced significant change or loss. This loss can be due to separation/divorce. The program is based on the belief that change, loss and grief are a normal and valuable part of life. It examines the impact of changes such as death, separation / divorce upon our lives, and explore how children can learn to live with and grow from these experiences. 10 week program - 1 hour per week.

We are planning to run this program this Term 3.

If you think this program will benefit your child please have a chat or send a note to with your class teacher before Friday 12th June.

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Everyone is interested in who counted the correct number of M & M’s………

unfortunately the winner is not from Our Lady’s - a teacher from a school in Hillside guessed the correct amount…..He measured the height of the jar, the circumference of the jar and measured a single M & M and came to the conclusion that there were

4,222 M & M’s in the jar – he was only 16 off the correct total  !!

Thank goodness the jar has finally been removed - Mrs. Fraser couldn’t stop herself from eating them for much longer !!
PREMIERS’ READING CHALLENGE – So far, 6789 books have been read.
Congratulations to 95 students who have completed the challenge. If you have any queries regarding the PRC, please see Mrs. Watt after school or check the website www.eduweb.vic.gov.au

Colouring Competition Prep - Grade 2

Australia wide colouring competition for NAIDOC week. Great prizes can be won if entry is judged a winner. Colouring sheets will be handed out today. It would be great to have as many children participate and represent our school. We were lucky enough to have a winner last year. This year it could be you! Entries need to be returned to your classroom teacher by 12th of June.