# NEWSLETTER
No. 37 – 1 December, 2016

## Important School Diary Dates

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### 2017 Term Dates

- **Term 1** - Tuesday 31\(^{st}\) January to Friday 31\(^{st}\) March at 2.30 p.m.
- **Term 2** - Tuesday 18\(^{th}\) April to Friday 30\(^{th}\) June at 2.30 p.m.
- **Term 3** - Monday 17\(^{th}\) July to Friday 22\(^{nd}\) September at 2.30 p.m.
- **Term 4** – Monday 9\(^{th}\) October to Friday 22\(^{nd}\) December at 1.30 p.m.

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If you have information or ads for the newsletter, need to contact the school or want an email forwarded on to a teacher, please email it to northcote.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Greetings

Watch our Spectacular students on T.V.

Victorian State Schools Spectacular broadcast on Channel 7

Don't miss the Channel 7 broadcast of this year's Victorian State Schools Spectacular highlights on Saturday 3 December from 7:00pm - 9:00pm and watch our students in the dancing and singing parts. The show will be simulcast via livestreaming on the PLUS7 app and be available on the PLUS7 catch-up website for 30 days.

The Spectacular contributes to a number of our Education State targets: ensuring that more students are reaching the highest level of achievement in the arts, that our kids are happy, healthy and resilient, and increasing pride and confidence in our schools.

Parent Helpers Morning Tea

On Tuesday, 29th November, a number of parents were able to come along to our Parent Helpers Morning Tea. We appreciate that not all parents are able to join us due to other pressing commitments; however, as a school we feel it is still important to run it as a symbolic and representational gesture for all our parent helpers who volunteer their time to our school right across the year.

A number of teachers and staff and our School Council President, Ian Taylor, spoke about how appreciative they are to receive the support of parent helpers in such a variety of ways from:

- daily changing the children’s take home books;
- helping work with small groups in classroom to free teachers up to work in a more focused way with groups;
- vital assistance with the Junior swimming program (Try putting 40 or so kids undies back on after swimming! Thank you parents!!);
- coming on school camps to support the safety and enjoyment of the ‘away from home’ experience for the children;
- helping to transport students to interschool sporting events;
- excursion support;
- support in the Library – bravo Coveristas!;
- guest speakers to the class;
- supporting working bees;
- fundraisers;
- fete helpers;
- working groups;
- Parent Artist Group;
- School Council and so on and on.

The staff all work very hard but cannot possibly run the programs to the high quality level they do without the generous volunteer support of parents, and sometimes, grandparents.

Pupil of the week
(Assembly Item by Grades 3/4)

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Working in Partnership
But it is more than just that. By coming into the school and helping where you can, you are getting to know your child’s teachers, they have the opportunity to get to know you and together, we build partnerships that make our school the great school community that we are. Your very act of contributing and supporting alongside us, helps build a community that supports all of our children so well and gives them that unshakeable sense of belonging.

The staff and I, acknowledge you all and express our appreciation for the work you do in partnership with us for the benefit of all our students.

We hope you enjoy the work you do here and gain a sense of satisfaction from your contributions and getting to know your child’s friends too. .... and keep coming back!!

Beautiful Mangoes
Our delicious mangoes arrived without a hitch on Monday at school and many delighted children had magnificent mango smiles on their faces as they helped parents carry the boxes home.

A great fundraiser for our school and a healthy one for all.

Thank you to Adrian Clarke, Audrey’s Dad, for organising and for unloading the truck with Paul Shelton, Felix and Piper’s Dad and Ross, AP.

Warm Regards,
Kerrie

Environment Sub Committee
There are a number of improvements to our school grounds that the Environment Sub Committee has been working hard on during the year. Some of these improvements are planned to happen before the end of the year and also during the holidays.

Drinking Troughs
After talking to students and teachers regarding the condition, position and height of our existing troughs it was agreed that they needed to be replaced and positioned away from active playground areas. Preparatory work has started with the modification of seating outside the canteen where 2 new troughs will be located, these will provide 10 drinking stations. Positioned between the troughs will be a hand washing tap that is timed to automatically shut off. The trough outside the decked hall entrance will be replaced with a new 4 station drinking trough and a 6 station trough will be positioned on the south wall of the hall building outside the 1/2B learning area, there will also be a hand washing tap here as well.
It was great to have a group of 5/6 students who assisted with finding the new locations, asking for feedback from other students and measuring the 3 heights we would need to provide for the needs of all students at our school.

**Protective netting**
Two areas were identified by students, teachers and committee members where synthetic sports netting would provide additional protection to students from stray/miskicked soccer and footballs. These areas were on the top turf where we currently have chain mesh and posts and the ABC turf to separate the ABC turf area from the raised turf and junior adventure playground.

In the coming weeks a company will install a number of 3 meter removable aluminium posts which will be connected by a wire. A netting ‘curtain’ will be attached so that it can be opened or closed to suit the activity students are playing.

**New Mural**
Darebin Council has been approached to gain permission to paint a mural on the brick wall in Henry Street near the pedestrian entrance to our school. The Environment Subcommittee would like to get your ideas regarding the subject and design of this mural. If you would like to be involved in this process could you contact me with your ideas or you may wish to attend our next Environment committee meeting early in 2017.

Ross Bennie  
Environment Committee Member

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**Icypole Fundraiser**
With the weather warming up, why not cool down with an icypole! On sale this Friday you can purchase an icypole from the canteen area from 3.30-3.45pm. Icypoles are $1 each. What a delicious way to raise funds for the school.

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**NPS END OF YEAR MUSIC CONCERT**

**CONCERT 2: THURSDAY 8TH DECEMBER**

2.30pm in the hall.

Your child’s music teacher will let your child know which concert your child will perform in. Please join us for an afternoon of music to celebrate the end of the year.
Scholarships available to Year 4 – 6 students

Please click on the following link to find out about student scholarships.

M40 Preston Reservoir to Merri Creek Water Main Renewal Project

Construction Update – Southern section
December 2016

Melbourne Water is undertaking renewal works on two sections of the M40 water main and its pipeline connection to the Preston Reservoirs. This project is part of our commitment to providing high quality, safe and reliable drinking water.

Construction work has commenced along St Georges Road and is expected to take twelve months to complete.

Intersection closures – from 1 December 2016

For safety, the un-signalised intersections along St Georges Road from Arthurlton Road to Normanby Avenue will be closed to all vehicle traffic for the duration of the project.

Motorists will not be able to cross St Georges Road at:
- Beavers Road
- Beaconsfield Parade
- Gadd Street
- Woolton Avenue.

Pedestrians will be able to cross the centre-median and St Georges Road at Arthurlton Road, Gladstone Street, Gadd Street and Normanby Avenue. This will ensure ongoing access to the tram and bus stops. All other pedestrian crossings along St Georges Road will be closed.

Cyclists will be able to access the shared path within the centre-median along St Georges Road at Arthurlton Road, Gladstone Street, Gadd Street and Normanby Avenue.

Signage and traffic controllers will be in place to ensure motorists, pedestrians and cyclists can navigate the area safely.

Please follow our signs and instructions from our traffic controllers and allow extra time while travelling in this area.

We do not expect there to be any interruptions to bus or Yarra Trams services.

As we undertake our work along St Georges Road, intersections north of Normanby Avenue will also need to be closed. We will keep you informed.

We apologise for this inconvenience.

More information
For more information about the M40 Preston Reservoir to Merri Creek Water Main Renewal Project:
- Phone our project team on 1800 754 077
- Email m40@melbournewater.com.au
- Visit our website www.yoursay.melbournewater.com.au/m40
- To access the TTY and Interpreter Services:
  - TTY 133 677
  - Interpreter 131 450

Keeping you informed
Melbourne Water is committed to keeping you informed about this project and our activities. Please check your letterbox, visit our webpage and register to receive our updates by email.
Dr Michael Carr-Gregg presents

Tackling Anxiety and Building Resilience in Young People

Monday November 21st, 2016
Bentleigh Club
33 Yawla St, Bentleigh
SOLD OUT!

NEW DATE! BOOK NOW!
Tuesday December 6th, 2016
7pm to 8.30pm
Darebin Arts & Entertainment Centre
Cnr Bell St & St Georges Rd, PRESTON
$20 per person (at the door) NO EFTPOS
Parking available on site

BOOK your place!
Email rick@criticalagendas.com.au
Include your name and number of tickets required.
Collect and pay for tickets on the night.
$20 each - No EFTPOS
Enquiries: 0433 616 771

Dr. Michael Carr-Gregg is one of Australia’s highest profile psychologists. Working in private practice in Melbourne, he sits on the Board of the Australian Psychological Society, the Family Peace Foundation, Project ROCKIT and Smiling Mind well as being a Community Ambassador for Big Brothers Big Sisters, Postvention Australia, and Playgroup Victoria. He founded the charity CanTeen 31 years ago and was the first psychologist featured on This is Your Life. He has been resident psychologist on Ch 7’s Sunrise for 11 years as well as Psychologist for the top rating Morning Show with Neil Mitchell on Fairfax Radio 3AW. He is a special Patron of the Hawthorn Football Club. He is married to Therese and has 2 sons.

For Teachers, Teacher Aides (Primary and Secondary level), Parents, Psychologists, Counsellors, Sports Coaches, Youth Workers, Scout Leaders, Nurses, Health Workers (and anyone else interested).

This is a Community Event
Everyone welcome!

Anxiety in children is a normal part of childhood development. But it’s estimated that 8-22% of children experience anxiety more intensely and more often than other children, stopping them from getting the most out of life. In this presentation one of Australia’s leading child and adolescent psychologists will discuss what is normal anxiety and what is not, what are the common anxiety disorders and what parents and carers might do to build happy and resilient young people.

Dr Carr-Gregg presents to a full house at Shoppingtown Hotel in Doncaster on September 1st, 2016
Advertisements
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2nd Clifton Hill Scout Group
is a family friendly, community based scout group for girls and boys. We have cubs, scouts, venturers and rovers sections for 8 to 25 year olds.

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Enjoy • cycling • camping • skiing • rafting • hiking
• rock climbing • hall games • teamwork • leadership
• fun • friendship • resilience and personal self worth.

WHEN: Weeknights during school terms
WHERE: 2nd Clifton Hill Scout Hall
85 Walker Street, Clifton Hill
CONTACT: GL.2NDCLIFTONHILL@scouts.victoria.com.au
Ask our Group Leader how to get involved!

We warmly welcome new members to come and give Scouting a try today!

SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2017 - Tuesday 3 January – Friday 27 January
We have a spectacular line up of activities featuring exciting excursions to the Melbourne Aquarium and Eureka Skydeck, plus a host of fun and educational activities such as Values for Life and Getting Up Close with Our Local Police incursions.
See a full program schedule and book online at www.leapkids.com.au
For information and enquiries, please contact us on 1300 366 235

The Alphington and Clifton Hill Scouts are now taking orders for CHRISTMAS TREES
and home delivering to the following suburbs;
Abbottsford • Alphington • Clifton Hill
Collingwood • Fairfield • Northcote
Nth Fitzroy • Thornbury • Richmond

Have your beautiful tree delivered on Saturday 10 December in time for Christmas!
Order online at www.trybooking.com/NLWy
Christmas Tree (nominal 6 foot) $69
Christmas Tree Stands $59
Free delivery with a smile!

LEARN TO SWIM

ENROL FOR SUMMER

VICSWIM Summer Kidz Program is a great way for your child to learn how to swim & stay safe in & around water!
vicswim.com.au
Ivanhoe Aqua Power (IAP), is a swim club suitable for anyone looking to improve their swimming skills, fitness and/or looking to compete at swimming competitions.

- We cater for all levels and goals – we offer Junior, Intermediate, Senior, and Fit Squads.
- Offering up to 9 sessions per week (swim, gym and dryland)
- Not compulsory to compete but our competitive swimmers compete at Swimming Victoria approved meets as well as State and National Championship levels.

JOIN NOW!!

Joining our club will give you access to excellent coaching and training programs led by our Head Coach – Yu Dong. Yu holds a Swimming Australia Silver Coaching licence and has coached many State and National level swimmers.

Ivanhoe Aqua Power offers morning and evening sessions in a 6 lane, 25 metre indoor heated pool at the Ivanhoe Girls’ Grammar School (IGGS)
(Upper Heidelberg Road, Ivanhoe)

If you are interested please contact:
Sue Dalton, IAP S.C Registrar – Email: ivanhoaecuapower@gmail.com

Online Holiday Program | Four weeks of fun!

Become your own music producer with Activate Music Academy’s Online Holiday Program! We’ll workshop your songs, make new friends in the community forum, and get creative to win awesome prizes. Complete beginner? Been making beats for a while? We’re going to have a great time making music together! Register and find out more at:

https://activatemusic.academy/online-holiday-program/

COMMUNITY SPORTS CAMPS

BOOK NOW!
communitycamps.com.au
1300 562 571
# Ivanhoe Aquatic Centre
## January 2017

### Floating Inflatable Fun
Ivanhoe Aquatic & Fitness Centre
**Monday & Wednesday 3-5pm**
**Tuesday, Thursday Friday 1:30-3:30pm**
**Tuesday 3rd Jan till Jan 25th**

### Pre-school
**Learn to Swim Intensives**
**5day intensive**
**Monday 9th January – Friday 13th January**
**Monday 16th—Friday 20th January**
**Cost $74.25**
**Concession $66.85**

### Children’s activities
**Prep to grade 6**
Cost $17.50 (bookings essential)
Activities subject to change or cancellation with 24 hours notice.

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<td>9:30-11:30 Cooking Easy, quick and inexpensive cooking activities the kids can try at home</td>
<td>9:30-11:00 Wood Magic Trace, cut and sand wood pieces to make something you can take home</td>
<td>9:30-11:30 Art n craft Get creative and keep busy on a warm day. Paint draw, paste</td>
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<td>9:30-11:30 Circus Juggle, balance and tumble and learn basic circus skills</td>
<td>9:30-11:30 Dance Shake it, move it &amp; show your groove to the beat of songs you like</td>
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