School Production: almost sold out. Sales End Tomorrow!

Our production “The Storybook” is almost sold out. Sales end at 11.59pm, Friday 6th September! Go to www.trybooking.com/DFGW and follow the prompts. Don’t miss out!!

Chicken Pox Alert

There has recently been reported a confirmed case of Chickenpox in a senior grade at Wales street Primary School.

Symptoms to look out for include:- Low grade fever, runny nose/ headache, generally feeling unwell followed by the appearance of red lesions on the trunk, face, scalp which eventually spread to the whole body and then become filled with pus. The lesions burst after several days, dry up and form scabs. It is common for the lesions to become itchy before they burst.

Chickenpox are highly contagious, it is usually communicable 1-2 days before the onset of the rash, and for five days after the appearance of the first crop of lesions. The incubation period is usually 10-21 days after first being exposed to the virus.

Children must be excluded from school until fully recovered or at least one week after the lesions first appear. The Royal Children’s Hospital has excellent fact sheets and information on the subject to assist you in caring for your child. www.rch.org.au

Please contact the school if you require any further information or assistance.

WSPS Election Day Cake Stall

It’s time to start thinking about which cake, slice or other yummy baked treat you can make for the WSPS Election Day Cake Stall on Saturday 7th September. Many people will be coming to WSPS to vote and it will be great to make the most of this opportunity – everyone loves a home baked sweet treat…..

Cake boxes, plastic bags and ingredient slips will be sent home with the eldest child of each family on Monday 2nd September.

You can bring your baked goods to the School Hall on Friday 6th September between 8:45-9:30am or 3:00-3:45pm.

Volunteers are needed to help with the stall on the day so if you are interested please contact Candy 0407 204 345

Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge

The Challenge ends on September 12th, so please enter all your book titles on the website, www.education.vic.gov.au/prc, by the end of this weekend so that Trevor and I have time to verify all the books by Thursday. If you cannot find your User ID and password, please see Sallie in the Office tomorrow - Friday or Monday.

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Sick Bay Linen Duty: Prep Parents

7 Sept  Sara Rayner
14 Sept Keren Osborn
21 Sept Vanessa Vasilakis
Fathers’ Day / Special Persons’ Day
A big “Thank you” to all the wonderful volunteers who came along to help make the stall fun and run smoothly. Hope everyone enjoyed Fathers’ Day / Special Persons’ Day.


Maria Romnios
Events Coordinator

School Age Care (SAC) ACCOUNTS
Families have been invoiced in advance to end of term 3. Accounts must be settled in full by WEDNESDAY 18th September.

If families have made a cancellation - in advance or by 2.30 pm on the day care were required then you will receive a credit in your next statement.

Families who made extra bookings over the next three weeks can see Cangie or Vanessa for a new statement balance.

Mangoes
The ever popular Mango Fundraiser is back again in 2013. Please spread the word and save your mango orders to support our school. Just like last year, they will cost $25 for a 7kg tray of beautiful, juicy mangoes. The delivery date will most likely be sometime in early December, which is dependent on the season. The mangoes are picked and delivered at their peak, not to suit a set delivery date! We will be sending the order forms home before the end of term with orders needing to be finalised by Friday 25th October.

Chess Club News Jim is back next term
Northern Star Chess will finish our custodian duty at Wales Street School at the end of this term. Jim Cannon will be back from his 6 months family trip in Term 4! According to Jim's notice, chess Club starts in week 1 of Term 4.

We at Northern Star Chess have thoroughly enjoyed our association with your school - thanks for having us! We hope that your children continue to learn and be enthusiastic about this wonderful game, and hope to see your familiar faces at chess tournaments in the future.

We will be in touch next year regarding these chess tournaments and I look forward to seeing Wales Street students at the state finals!

Warm regards,
Pearl

National Asthma Week
Three or more is very poor. Take control. If you use your reliever medication three times a week or more your asthma is out of control and it’s time to see a doctor. Click on the link to read more http://walesstps.vic.edu.au/articles/165
From the Principal

Education Support (ES) Staff August Recognition Month
People often think of schools as being about teachers and students, however, some of the most important people in schools are the Education Support (ES) staff. These are usually made up of integration aides and school office staff. However, at Wales Street they provide a much more extensive support role. Imagine a Wales Street without the wonderful Pina, Maria and Sallie in the School Office /Library, Sharon as student Welfare Officer and Catherine our School Nurse. Then there is our professional and hardworking Integration aides Skye, Steve, Mary H, Helen, Nicholas, Tegan and Joshua and finally, but far from the least important, the fantastic and caring School After Care staff of Cangie, Vanessa, Cheryl, Tegan and Poppy.

On behalf of the School Community I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their outstanding contribution which they make to the school in creating such a supportive environment to the teaching staff and students. Last week, the staff held a special morning tea to celebrate ES staff and all they do for this school.

The 2013 School Production - The Storybook Tuesday 10th September
Next Tuesday evening the 2013 school production The Storybook, which was conceived, written and choreographed by Angela Monardo our school performing Arts Teacher, will be performed. Angela has had lots of support from other staff and I also know that there have been a number of parents actively involved in sharing their expertise and help. Already from my observation of rehearsals I think it will be a wonderful event and I can see many students who clearly feel ‘very comfortable’ on the stage.

Ticket sales will close this week Friday 6th September (closing at 11.59pm). Go to http://www.trybooking.com/DFGW and follow the prompts. Any unsold tickets will be on sale at the door as follows: Adult-$25, Child-$15, Family-$55, Concession-$15.11.59pm).

WHEN: 10th September 2013 @ 7.00pm
VENUE: at Dallas Brooks Centre 300 Albert St, East Melbourne
A reminder to parents parking can be tricky around the venue so leave plenty of time for finding a park

Election Day BBQ at Wales Street Primary School
On Saturday 7th of September, Wales Street Primary School will be a polling booth for the Federal Election. School Council has taken the opportunity to do some fundraising for the school and we are running a BBQ & Cake stall. Thank you to all the parents and staff who have volunteered to help out and hopefully we will make a sizeable profit.

Wales Street Primary Oval Re-development
School Council is considering introducing an annual oval levy which would be $100 per family for the next five years which would provide enough money to make the repayments and finally improve the oval. To gauge support all parents were invited to respond to a survey about whether you would support the proposed oval levy. I would to thank all the parents who took up this opportunity and also for also emailing their thoughts, queries and suggestions as it is clearly seen as an important issue in the school community. School Council will now discuss the survey findings at its next Council meeting on the 18th September.

If you have any questions or comments please contact the school.

Christopher L. Sexton