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**WALES STREET NEWS**

**November 19 2015**

**Outdoor Movie Night**

Thank you for booking tickets to the Wales Street Outdoor Movie Night tomorrow Night or for entering a film in the Wales Street Kids Homemade Film Fest,

Unfortunately due to the forecast for showers in the afternoon and evening tomorrow, the Wales Street Outdoor Movie Night, including the Kids Home Made Film Fest has been postponed until next Friday 27th of November. We have spoken directly to the Bureau of Meteorology who indicated that they cannot predict when the showers will cease and said 'it doesn't look good'. We apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

If you are unable to attend next Friday you will be able to receive a refund for any tickets purchased. You will be informed of how to receive a refund in the coming few days.

Fingers crossed for better weather next week.

The FASE Committee
From The Principal

ASSEMBLY SURVEY

The response rate from the parents/carers was 23% for the survey. In the last newsletter, in the report on school assembly survey feedback, it was noted that there was support for singing of the anthem. This information was incomplete. Thirty two families commented on the anthem. Of those, one third is supportive and two thirds expressed concern that the anthem has been introduced. As always school leadership considers the feedback and school council has agreed that the decision of children as to whether they participate in singing the anthem will be respected in all cases.

Next year Wales Street Primary School will be participating in the “Resilience Project”. As we all know social emotional wellbeing is a critical consideration in the holistic development of students within a school. At Wales Street PS we are looking for ways to ensure our students develop a strong sense of personal self-worth, enabling them to become positive contributors not only to the Wales Street community but also to the global community.

Hugh van Cuylenburg the Founding Director of The Resilience Project has been working in education for over 12 years. Starting out as a primary school teacher, he then moved into a position with Cricket Victoria as a development facilitator working with disengaged adolescents. The highlight of his teaching career was the year he spent in the far north of India volunteering and living at an underprivileged school in the Himalayas. It was here that he discovered resilience in its purest form.

Inspired by this experience (and subsequent trips to Bangladesh and Sri Lanka) Hugh returned to Melbourne and commenced working on his own programs for schools. ‘The Resilience Project’ was born. Strongly influenced by the work of Professor Martin Seligman and Dr Barbara Fredrickson, Hugh’s presentations emphasise the value of gratitude, empathy and mindfulness. Of note, Hugh has developed and facilitated programs for over 180 schools Australia wide. Beyond schools Hugh has developed and facilitated resilience and mental health training for The Melbourne Storm, Hawthorn Football Club, the Collingwood Football Club and the Australian Institute of Sport. He has also run successful programs for troubled youth around regional Victoria. He has written and implemented programs for the Education Department. Hugh has also served as CEO of Step Back Think.

Using Hugh’s experience in this area the aim in 2016 will be to begin a journey with the students, staff and parents in developing a whole school understanding of what it means to be resilient and nurture one’s own mental wellbeing through a focus on gratitude, empathy and mindfulness. The program is mapped to the Victorian School Curriculum and embeds understandings through a series of integrated lessons. I am excited about the positive impact the program will have on our students and staff in particular and look forward to its implementation next year.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS

Congratulations to St David and all the students who represented their houses! Thank you all staff, family members and sports captains who helped run this very successful event!

The results from the swim carnival were:

4th Clyde, 60 points.
3rd Wales, 117 points.
2nd Speight, 138 points.
1st St David, 157 points
CYBERSAFETY

As the Internet becomes more readily available to our children, the issue of safety and security becomes an increasing priority. Whether accessing the Internet on their computer, tablet or smartphone, our kids need to be protected from the dangers that unrestricted online access can bring.

Jo Parissis, the Darebin Police Youth Officer worked with our 5/6 students earlier this term to discuss and educate the students on issues around cyber safety.

Jo has also offered to hold a Parent Cyber safety Information Evening for our parent community. It will be held on Monday 23rd November at 6:30 pm in the 3/4 building.

All parents are welcome. We hope to see you there.

Cath the nurse

Hello everyone,

I have been hearing many stories on the personal front, as well as from colleagues- Croup is in the air- hence today’s topic- the Royal children’s Hospital provides us with lovely factual fact sheets that can help ease our minds when our child gets sick………………

Croup

- Croup is a viral infection which causes swelling of the voice box (larynx) and windpipe (trachea). This swelling makes the airway narrower, so it is harder to breathe.

  Croup often begins like a normal cold followed by a harsh, barking cough. This may be worse at night when the air is cooler.

  It usually affects children up to five years old. Some children get croup several times.

  Croup can get worse quickly.

  If your child is having problems breathing they should be seen by a doctor as soon as possible.

  To read further on this topic please click here

Last Day of school

Thursday the 17th of December will be the last of school for students finishing at 3:30pm. Friday the 18th of December is a curriculum day.

Return to School 2016

Grade 1 to 6 students will be returning to school on Friday the 29th of January 2016.

Prep students first day of school will be Monday the 1st of February 2016.
INVITATION TO COMMUNITY WORKSHOP
RE: PROPOSED NEW SCHOOL CROSSING ON CLYDE STREET, THORNBURY

Urban Collective Consulting has been engaged by Darebin Council to host a Community Workshop about a proposed new school crossing on Clyde Street.

Large numbers of adults and children are crossing Clyde Street at the corner of Wales Street on school days to travel to and from Wales Street Primary School.

A new school crossing on Clyde Street has been proposed to support pedestrian safety in the area. However the location of a new crossing also has to respond to resident needs and have a positive impact on the local area.

At our Community Workshop in December we will discuss how to improve pedestrian safety by installing a school crossing on Clyde Street in a way that balances the needs of local residents, businesses and staff and students attending Wales Street Primary School.

Community Workshop
Date: Tuesday 1 December 2015, 7pm
Venue: Clyde Street Building,
Wales Street Primary School (Clyde Street entrance)
RSVP: info@urban-collective.com.au or telephone
Natalie on 0433351810
Please advise us if you require any additional support to attend.