

DIARY DATES	
3 rd September	Parent Forum "How I can help my child in Mathematics"
15 th & 16 th September	Level 4 Musical
18th September	End of Term 3 – Dismissal at 2:30pm
5 th October	Term 4 begins
14 th October	Prep 2010 transition

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Last week we had a very successful Book Fair and family night. There were many students and their families visiting the Book Fair purchasing books, participating in the art activities and enjoying a sausage sizzle. Thank you to the staff, parents and students who assisted on the night to make it a very successful community event. A special thank you to Karen Jensen who organised the Book Fair and activities. Did you notice the many penguins surrounding the library that had been created by the students?

This week is Numeracy Week and Michael Ymer who is a mathematics consultant will be working in classrooms on Wednesday and Thursday presenting maths learning activities to students and staff. Michael will also present a Maths night for parents on Thursday at 6:30pm in the community room. This week is the Fathers' Day stall which the P&F have been organising over the last few months. Many of the dads will receive gifts on Father's Day that have been specially chosen by their children from the stall. Happy Father's Day to all the fathers in our school community!

There are some exciting events coming up in the next couple of weeks. These include the Year 5 and 6 musical which will be on Tuesday 15th September and Wednesday 16th September. It will be held at the Warrandyte High School theatre – there will be both matinee and evening performances. We look forward to seeing many parents, relations and friends at the musical production. The Year 5 and 6 students and teachers are excitedly looking forward to this event and have been practising for many weeks. There have been many staff from across the school and

also parents who have assisted in various ways. All this help and support has been appreciated. Linda Duke, our music teacher, is the producer and has co-ordinated the event. Well done to everyone. The Level 3 (Year 3 and 4) students will be preparing for their bike ride / hike during the last week of the term. They will be learning bike riding and safety skills before going on a bike ride and picnic along local bike tracks. A great opportunity for learning new skills as well as developing their fitness and health. The Prep students will be learning about Responsible Pet Ownership on Friday with a special visitor to the school.

Next week the teachers will have their Planning Week. During this week all teachers in each level are released for a day from their classrooms to plan the learning program for Term 4 for their students.

Prep 2010 Transition sessions

On Wednesday was the first Prep Transition session at 9:30am with the Preps 2010 visiting the school with their parents. The students spent time in the Prep classrooms and the parents had morning tea and learnt more about school and what this involves for their children in 2010. The student school leaders also talked about the school.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Liz Barr who has been appointed to the Assistant Principal position at Milgate Primary School. We look forward to continuing to work with Liz - the expertise and contributions she makes to the school community.

Congratulations to Jan Marinakos who has been appointed to the Principal position at Chirnside Park Primary School. Jan has been the Assistant Principal at Milgate PS and this term has been the acting Principal at Gladesville Primary School. Jan will start her new position in Term 4. She will be at Milgate on Monday 14th September and we will farewell her at the school assembly on that day. We thank Jan for the contributions that she has made to Milgate over the last three years and we wish her all the best in her new position.

Mathletics

All students are now accessing Mathletics and enjoying the learning, activities and competitions against others around the world. Many also enjoy continuing their learning and challenge at home. They are able to access the maths learning that is relevant to their own level of learning.

Sunsmart

It is *compulsory* for students to wear sun hats for all outside activities in Term 4 and Term 1 each year. Students are also encouraged to wear hats from the beginning of September until the end of Term 3 for outside activities.

Students coming to school early

There have been a number of students who have been coming to school very early in the morning. There are teachers on duty from 8:45am each day but earlier than this there is no supervision for students in the school ground. The Before School Program (OSHC) operates from 7am each day

FROM THE OFFICE

Education Maintenance Allowance

Our school has received the parent's cheque payments for second semester of EMA. Parents who have applied for EMA and have not allocated the payment to cover school charges are requested to collect cheques from the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Janine Caudry
Business Manager

JSC REPORT

There will be a Free Dress Day at the end of term to support Very Special Kids. VSK support families of children with long term illnesses. We are also selling magnets, keyrings, lanyards, pins and pens. They will be available until the end of term.

and students coming to school earlier than 8:45am should participate in this program for their safety and wellbeing.

Vandalism

Over the last two weekends there have been a couple of incidents of vandalism in the school ground. An outside table was burnt and last Saturday night several cars had windows smashed that were parked in the school car park for a preschool function in the stadium. The police have been contacted and asked to do some weekend patrols. A neighbour reported that there had been a group of teenagers in the school car park in the early hours of weekend mornings. If anyone sees anyone the police can be contacted. Anyone who had damage to their cars on Saturday night at the school is asked to contact Constable Stephen Glenk on 8841 3999. The police have also been patrolling at times around the school entrances in regard to traffic congestion before and after school to ensure the safety of students and to check that drivers are obeying the signs. Any concerns re parking, ignoring signs or dangerous driving at these times around the school can be reported to Jeff Innes at the Doncaster Police station on 8841 3999.

Debbie Mierisch
Principal

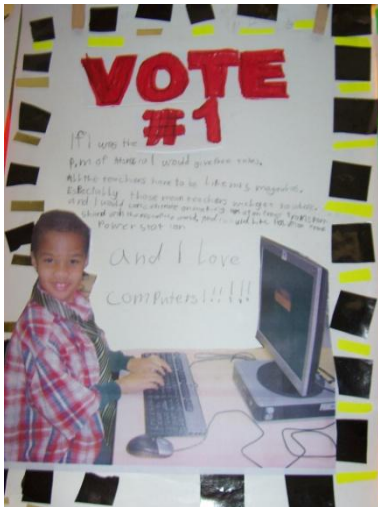
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You can also win a jar of jelly beans by guessing the correct number for 20c a guess. Join in the fun and support a worthwhile cause.

Sharon Harrison

### **LEVEL 3**

As part of our Term 3 topic, Level 3 has been investigating how our country is governed. In 3MN, we have looked at how countries have been governed across location and time. We have explored and compared (through hands on activities) how an absolute monarchy (Ancient Egypt,) a direct democracy (Ancient Greece) and a representative democracy (Australia today) are run. We also looked at the facilities and services that the local, state and federal government are responsible for and were asked the big question- *What would we do if we were the P. M of Australia?* We have 'democratically' chosen the most popular and supported responses in our class.

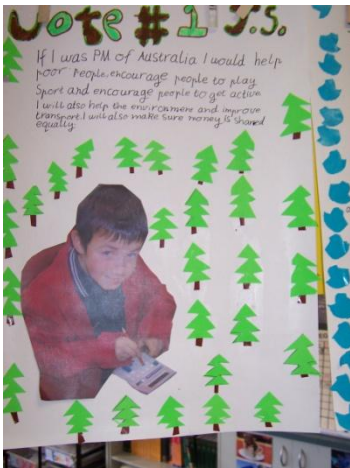
*If I was the PM of Australia, would help poor people, encourage people to play sport and encourage people to stay active, I will also help the environment and improve transport. I will also*



*make sure money is shared equally. Joshua*  
*If I was the P.M of Australia, would look after other people in Australia. I would look after childcare centres and help keep Australia clean. I will give money to needy kids and I would help*

*make library books clean. I will also help build big buildings. I will also give food to poor people. Candice*

*If I was the Prime Minister of Australia, I would give free taxes and I would concentrate on making pollution free transport and power stations and share it with the rest of the world. I would have all the teachers be like Ms M and I love computers so I would make technology even better. Max*



*If I was the P. M of Australian, I would make every family in Australia have at least one sponsor child. I will also give all the poor people money, food, shelter and of course clothes. Lucy*

Check out our room if you want to find out what other people would do if

they were the P.M!

## PE/OUTDOOR

**SPORTING HIGHLIGHTS:** Congratulations to Brendan L (Yr 4) who placed 6<sup>th</sup> & Edwin L (Yr 6) who 7<sup>th</sup> at the VPSSA Regional Golf Championships last week. The boys now both proceed through to the VPSSA State Golf round at Box Hill Golf Club. We wish them all the best and this is an outstanding effort by both boys.

Congratulations to Ed P & Charlie T who ran at the Primary Schools National Cross Country Event in Nowra, NSW on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> – Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August. The boys ran extremely well and

were a credit to Milgate when they represented Victoria. Ed P placed 25<sup>th</sup> in the 11yr Boys age group, in the individual race and Charlie T placed 26<sup>th</sup> in the 10yr Boys age group, in the individual race. This is truly outstanding when we keep in mind that this result is ranking them Australia wide.

Congratulations to all the Hooptime teams who played during the past 2 weeks in the 1<sup>st</sup> Round of this year's Hooptime Competition. In particular well done to the following teams who have made it through to the Regional Round of Hooptime early in Term 4.

- Junior All Star Boys (Team 1)
- Junior All Star Girls (Team 1)
- Senior All Star Boys (Team 1)
- Senior All Star Girls (Team 1)

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION: Camp Australia** are running Sports Camps in the September holidays from 21<sup>st</sup> September – 2<sup>nd</sup> October, in the following sports:

- AFL:** Exciting excursion to the AFL Grand Final parade including fun games and activities!
- Cricket:** The perfect way to start your pre-season training, featuring guest appearances by Victorian Bushrangers players
- Soccer:** Legendary Head Coach Bobby McLachlan is ready to find his next soccer stars
- Basketball:** Introducing 3 time NBL Championship Winner and new basketball Head Coach Matt Shanahan
- Multi Sports:** Netball, Archery, Softball, Fencing, Circus Skills, Soccer, Touch Footy, European Handball & Team Building Games

**OUTDOOR EDUCATION:** Planning is beginning to start for the Yr 1 Sleepover which is being held at Milgate PS in the stadium on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2009. I will be in touch with Parent Helpers in the next week or so. The information regarding the Yr 1 Sleepover will come home later this term.

If you wish to know more about how you could help out with any aspect of the PE/Outdoor Learning Program, please contact James Will at school.

James Will  
 PE/Outdoor Learning Coordinator

## **LIBRARY**

Thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone who came and supported the book fair on Monday and Tuesday nights last week! With your help, we sold over \$5900 of books, which means that the library got over \$2000 in books as commission. I have taken a photo of all the books we chose and it is currently on display in the library.

A big thank you goes to all of the helpers on the night. This includes staff, parents and Year 6 students – I couldn't have done it without you! Don't forget to come and have a look at the library – the students at Milgate have decorated it with lots and lots of penguins!

There is another book club catalogue which should also come home this week. This is a special catalogue put out by Scholastic, and it is chock-full of specials! If you would like anything, please fill out the form on the back and return it to school with payment. This needs to be returned to the school by Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September, and there are extras available in the library.

Thank you once again,  
Karen Jensen

## **PARENTS AND FRIENDS**

### **FATHER'S DAY STALL**

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September**

We had our first stall day today and the kids were all very excited. It was a lot of fun and great to see how much care and attention the kids really do take in selecting their gifts.

Tomorrow is our last stall day where the kids can purchase as many gifts as they like! Please remember to send the money in an envelope with your child's name and class ... all gifts are just \$5 each.

A big thank you to all our helpers for giving their time with wrapping and helping the kids from behind the stalls. It was a lot of fun and we really appreciate your help!

## **MOVIE NIGHT - Term 4**

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**

Just a reminder to put this date in your diary. 'Julie & Julia' will be showing at Palace Cinemas in Balwyn. Look out for the flyer in the first week of Term 4 with all the details. We don't need any helpers with this one either, it's just a night for everyone to enjoy!

## **CLOTHING COLLECTION - Term 4**

We're currently organising a clothes collection with all donations being given to Doncare. So please gather all your old (but good quality) clothing, shoes and manchester over the holidays. We'll let you know the dates for drop off early next term!

## **NEXT P&F MEETING**

Our next meeting is on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September at 9am in the Community Room. Anyone is welcome to join us! Just sign-in at the office first (please remember your visitors badge too).

## **Parents & Friends**

### **SCHOOL MUSIC PROGRAM**

Learn keyboard, guitar, flute, clarinet, saxophone, violin, drums, here at Milgate Primary School

Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, guitar, flute, clarinet, saxophone, violin, drums, here at the school. Creative Music for Schools conducts a School Music Program of private or small group classes each week here at the school aiming to give children an excellent grounding in music. Children will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument. Lessons can be started at any time during the school year. Tuition costs from \$13.40 per lesson (payable per term) and enrolments are now being accepted for term 4. Interested parents should call Swee during business hours on 9818 2333 for more information or visit our web site [www.creativemusic.com.au](http://www.creativemusic.com.au)

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Please see our Community Noticeboard (located outside the Art room) for any interesting community events. The Department of Education and Training (DET) does not endorse the products or services of any private advertiser. No responsibility is accepted by the Department of Education and Training (DET) or Milgate Primary School Council for accuracy of information contained in advertisements or claims made by them.

**DeepCreekAnglican.com** invites you to join us on Sunday 13th September. Sunday Morning Live at 10am is a contemporary family service, with children's activities (including jumping castle) and a BBQ lunch. Sunday@6 at 6pm is a contemporary and informal service, with supper after. Come as you are back to 460 Blackburn Road, Doncaster East.



SealPony presents its popular soccer program. SealPony Soccer is a developmental & participation program that introduces boys and girls aged between 5-10 to the game of football (soccer). It focuses on teaching the basic skills.

This is a perfect opportunity for children to keep physically fit and develop skills required to play the world's most popular game.

### SealPony Benefits

- \* Learn the skills of soccer
- \* Fun games & activities
- \* Great giveaways
- \* Meet new friends
- \* Achievement awards



**Note: As this is a popular program and places are limited, enrol quickly to ensure a place for this season.**

For more information call Joe:

Mobile: 0415-388-028

E-mail: [jyamen@optusnet.com.au](mailto:jyamen@optusnet.com.au)

Venue: Bellfield Primary School Oval

Time: Every Sunday

10:00 am - 11:10 am

Starting Date: 4<sup>th</sup> of October 2009

Finishing Date: 13<sup>th</sup> of December 2009

Registration Date: Saturday 10 am - 11 am  
26<sup>th</sup> of September 2009

Registration Address: Bellfield Primary School  
229 Banksia Street  
Ivanhoe 3079

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**1st Doncaster East Joey Scouts** invites boys and girls 6-8 years old on Monday nights 5.45 – 6.45pm for craft, games, roller blading, picnics, bike riding, swimming and more. Please contact Chil on 9841 9520 for more information.

**East Doncaster Little Athletics Club**

**Registration for 2009/10 season in Saturday 12 September 2009.**

**Time** 9.00 to 12 noon

Registration will be held at The Doncaster Little Athletics Club (DLAC) at Rieschiecks Reserve, George Street, East Doncaster ( Melway Map 33 J11)

Further information: Tim Phillips (parent coordinator) 9841 8245, Liz Phillips (Registrar) 9841 4635

New athletes need to bring a copy of proof of age.

Cash or cheque only.

**MILGATE PRIMARY SCHOOL CANTEEN  
TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY SPECIALS  
\$3.50 LUNCH PACKS**



Sep 8th + Sep 9th only



Ham & Cheese Jaffle  
1 Steamed Dim Sim  
Juice Cup

Sep 8th + Sep 9th only



Spaghetti Bolognese  
Jelly Fruit

Sep 15th + Sep 16th only



Lorraine Quiche  
Cheese Jaffle  
Fruit Drop

Sep 15th + Sep 16th only



2 Puffy Dogs  
3 Potato Smiles  
Ice Cream Cup

You can simply cut out or write down the lunch pack you want and attach to a paper bag with your child's name and grade.

**MILGATE ACHIEVERS****Week Ending 21<sup>st</sup> August 2009**

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| <b>PJP</b>   | Keanu H.         | For attentive reading and staying focussed on his work.                                                               |
| <b>PLM</b>   | Kelly M.         | For consistently giving her best.                                                                                     |
| <b>PPK</b>   | Lee P.           | For trying his best to make good choices.                                                                             |
| <b>PPM</b>   | Chloe F.         | For an excellent effort with her story writing.                                                                       |
| <b>1CH</b>   | Deanna M.        | For displaying responsibility in the playground.                                                                      |
| <b>1KG</b>   | Teagan B.        | For her excellent effort and hard work during Maths. A great achievement!                                             |
| <b>1LS</b>   | Paul H.          | For working quietly in class this week.                                                                               |
| <b>2KW</b>   | Alicia D.        | For her happy smile that brightens up our classroom.                                                                  |
| <b>2SL</b>   | Brooke T.        | For her mature attitude towards her work and for always "having a go".                                                |
| <b>2WH</b>   | Thomas P.        | For his deep thinking during our maths sessions.                                                                      |
| <b>34H</b>   | Najee D.         | For being a co-operative person in the playground.                                                                    |
| <b>3DM</b>   | Abigail C.       | For her brilliant speech about becoming the next Prime Minister.                                                      |
| <b>3JG</b>   | Colin W.         | For always producing work of a very high standard.                                                                    |
| <b>3MN</b>   | Jeevan S.        | For his effort on his camp postcard.                                                                                  |
| <b>4CJ</b>   | Charlotte M.     | For her caring and considerate attitude towards others.                                                               |
| <b>4KB</b>   | Daniel V.        | For concentrating and working well at his table.                                                                      |
| <b>4TK</b>   | Mitchell S.      | For his excellent effort and focus on his narrative writing.                                                          |
| <b>5OH</b>   | Natalie C.       | For consistently working hard and managing her time well.                                                             |
| <b>5GP</b>   | Mariam N.        | For great work in her journal and excellent manners.                                                                  |
| <b>5SB</b>   | Monique S.       | For always trying her best.                                                                                           |
| <b>5TW</b>   | Molly M.         | For great work in her maths lessons.                                                                                  |
| <b>6AH</b>   | Adam S.          | For putting more effort into all his work. Keep it up Adam!                                                           |
| <b>6JC</b>   | Chris D.         | For working well to complete all set work.                                                                            |
| <b>6TS</b>   | Stephanie A.     | For working really hard and undertaking extra work in her own time.                                                   |
| <b>LOTE</b>  | Cameron S. (5OH) | For his enthusiasm and efforts with the Compass Program.                                                              |
| <b>MUSIC</b> | Emily P. (PLM)   | For always working really well in music.                                                                              |
| <b>ART</b>   | Emily I. (4TK)   | For being a very mature and helpful person in the art room, and for putting loads of effort into her portfolio piece. |
| <b>PE</b>    | Dave F. (6AH)    | For outstanding volleyball skills.                                                                                    |

**MILGATE ACHIEVERS****Week Ending 28<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

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| <b>PJP</b>   | Ella M.                            | For excellent Maths using money and for being so helpful to her classmates at all times.                                |
| <b>PLM</b>   | Jonathan N.                        | For speaking beautifully at assembly.                                                                                   |
| <b>PPK</b>   | Jaxon B.                           | For showing improvement with his writing and always having a positive attitude to learning.                             |
| <b>PPM</b>   | Richard B.                         | For great improvement with his reading and writing.                                                                     |
| <b>1CH</b>   | Archie M.<br>David B.              | For their excellent work in Mass & using scales.                                                                        |
| <b>1KG</b>   | Kendrick L.                        | For being a responsible and hardworking class member.                                                                   |
| <b>1LS</b>   | Monique H.                         | For working hard and being a very helpful class member.                                                                 |
| <b>2KW</b>   | Justin B.                          | For using expression when reading aloud. 😊                                                                              |
| <b>2SL</b>   | Sarah O.                           | For trying really hard to be more assertive and express her ideas.                                                      |
| <b>2WH</b>   | Briana K.                          | For persevering with her writing.                                                                                       |
| <b>34H</b>   | Zap Vin A.                         | For being a great assistant with her new class member.                                                                  |
| <b>3DM</b>   | Ray C.                             | For being a caring and considerate member of the Grade.                                                                 |
| <b>3JG</b>   | Rachel C.                          | For her excellent efforts with her Maths portfolio piece.                                                               |
| <b>3MN</b>   | The Whole Grade                    | For becoming so independent, active and creative in their thinking and learning.                                        |
| <b>4CJ</b>   | Live P.                            | For her excellent fund raising efforts for the school.                                                                  |
| <b>4KB</b>   | Rianna R.<br>Tom C.                | For being thoughtful and inclusive in the yard.<br>Resilience and bravery after his fall and great left handed writing. |
| <b>4TK</b>   | Elise T.                           | For her excellent Octopoeem about Mr. Keen.                                                                             |
| <b>5OH</b>   | Teagan W.                          | A great attitude in and out of the classroom and an improved work ethic.                                                |
| <b>5GP</b>   | Valerio O.                         | For excellent writing on her homework debate and great manners.                                                         |
| <b>5SB</b>   | Asley H.                           | For her being a great representative of Milgate values.                                                                 |
| <b>5TW</b>   | Jess D.                            | For her fantastic science experiment presentation.                                                                      |
| <b>6AH</b>   | Wilson S.<br>Jessica P.            | For sharing his scientific knowledge with the class.<br>For her creative input and commitment into the musical banner.  |
| <b>6GA</b>   | Jiaqi W.                           | For her great effort and assistance to keep the classroom organised and tidy.                                           |
| <b>6JC</b>   | Eroll K.                           | For his effort when completing all his homework.                                                                        |
| <b>6TS</b>   | Lexie F.                           | For always being such a fantastic helper in the classroom.                                                              |
| <b>LOTE</b>  | Laura J. (2WH)                     | For her excellent Chinese writing and being a great helper.                                                             |
| <b>MUSIC</b> | Kathryn P. (6AH)                   | For learning all her lines for the musical and such outstanding expression & acting.                                    |
| <b>ART</b>   | Chloe F. (PPM)<br>Kirstie S. (PPM) | For being great helpers and for working together fantastically.                                                         |
| <b>PE</b>    | Riley J. (5SB)                     | For his terrific Volleyball skills during the past 3 weeks.                                                             |

