ANAPHYLAXIS

What is anaphylaxis? Anaphylaxis is a severe allergic reaction to a substance, most commonly nuts, egg, milk, wheat, soy, seafood, some insect stings and medications.

Anaphylaxis can be life-threatening, but with proper management and prevention strategies in place the risks can be substantially reduced.

A reaction can develop within minutes of exposure to the allergen. Some symptoms of anaphylaxis include one or more of these examples:

- Hives or welts
- A tingling feeling in or around the mouth
- Abdominal pain, vomiting and/or diarrhoea
- Facial swelling
- Cough or wheeze
- Difficulty swallowing or breathing
- Loss of consciousness or collapse
- Breathing stops.
A reaction can be treated effectively by using an adrenaline injection (EpiPen®).

Here at Scoresby Primary we have a small number of children who have been diagnosed with a severe reaction to peanuts. Our staff is trained in the use of the Epipen and we have management plans in place. These reactions are life-threatening and we need to put safe practices into place. Therefore Scoresby Primary is a NUT FREE school.

The families of the children involved very carefully manage the foods which their child brings to school and we need to be supportive to minimise the risk to these students. The risk could come from a student who has eaten a nut product and then touched the arm of an allergic student or breathes on them during a conversation soon after finishing the product.

The serious nature of the allergy was highlighted to us over the last couple of weeks when one student had a reaction while using the keyboard in the computer lab and on another occasion when sitting within a group of students at assembly.

Please help us keep all members of our community safe and support us in keeping our school NUT FREE.

MATHEMATICS

At school we talk about ‘numeracy’, which refers to the teaching and learning of mathematics related to everyday situations. If you take time to reflect on how many times today you have used mathematics in the many interactions you have had, you will realise how important the understandings are that we develop for our young students.

In our ‘Developing Literacy / Numeracy Partnerships’ session this week we talked about the feelings that we had toward mathematics when we were at school. For some, these experiences were very positive while others found them not so. As we explored these feelings more, we decided that the way we were taught, the relevance of what we were taught and the support we were given were the factors which most affected both our attitude and learning. As adults we can now see the relevance and therefore our attitudes will have changed.

It is so important, therefore, that:

- Parents when talking to their children about maths present a positive attitude. If the attitude conveyed is not positive children may think that it is alright to feel that way or even that you expect them to feel the same.
- In situations that we are using mathematics we can verbalise what we are doing, using the language of maths, to support the children’s learning.
- Encourage children to be involved in activities such as cooking, handling money, telling time, shopping and counting objects. As well as noticing the use of numbers in the community – letterboxes, speed signs, price tags etc.
- Play games involving dice, cards or dominoes as all these objects help children recognise number patterns and practice their counting skills.
- Times tables are always important and as adults we often use these skills. Learning tables can be fun and a trip in the car can present as a good time to do some tables checking – test each other.

I am sure that you have many ideas to give your children opportunities to use their mathematical skills – remember MATHS IS FUN.

“TO A GOOD HOME”

At school we have a couple of used items which may be of use to someone in our community. We need to move them out of the area where they have been stored and are available for you to look at before expressing interest.

- A small portable television which is an early model but does still work.
- A photocopier/FAX machine complete with manual. We did have difficulty with the contrast settings but maybe someone more technically minded could set it up. This Konica machine is only 4 - 5 years old.

Please come to the office if you are interested in any of these items.

Maureen Fowler,
Principal

BOOK CLUB

ISSUE 3 DUE DATE: Friday 8th May

NOTE:
If paying by cheque, please make cheques out to “Scholastic Australia”, NOT the school. This will ensure that orders are processed as efficiently as possible. We thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

YEAR 7 TRANSITION INFORMATION

Please remember that all “Application for Enrolment” forms to Government Secondary Schools for Year 7 in 2010 must be completed and returned to your child’s teacher no later than Friday 15th May.

If you have any concerns, please feel free to see or call me.

ROBYN GANGI,
Year 7 Transition Co-ordinator.
FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

NAPLAN
Yesterday a letter went home to all parents who have children in years 3 & 5 regarding the NAPLAN tests being conducted next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Could parents please assist us in the administration of these tests by ensuring children are at school on time on these days.

Students may be granted exemption from the 2009 NAPLAN tests if they have an intellectual disability or have been learning English for less than one year. If your child is in either of these categories you need to sign a ‘Record of Exemption’ form, available from your class teacher.

HABITS OF MIND NEWS

TAKING RESPONSIBLE RISKS

“Venture Out!”

People who are adept thinkers have an almost uncontrollable impulse to move outside of their comfort zones. Responsible risk-takers use their experiences and their knowledge to gain a sense of whether a particular course of action is worth the risk. They eagerly take on new responsibilities and enthusiastically learn new games and skills.

The mountain climber is taking a risk when they are enjoying the thrill of a climb. While the activity is risky, careful preparation and following safety guidelines reduce the chance of an accident. The end result of a successful climb is worth all the planning and effort.

Students become more successful when they take responsible risks. They see the risk of failure as a normal part of learning.

Christine McEvoy,
Assistant Principal

BEST WISHES TO THOSE STUDENTS WHO ARE CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK!
Lucas B, Russell M, Chelsea G, Shaun E.

SPORTS NEWS

HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

Tomorrow, Friday 8th May, is the House Cross Country event for all students in Years 3-6. It will take place at school from 9.15–11.00am.

All students are encouraged to wear their house colours by way of a tee-shirt, hair ribbons etc – NO COLOURED HAIR please.

We are in need of parent assistance to help with the running of the event. If you are available, please meet at the scoring table on the oval at 9.15am. Any help would be greatly appreciated – many thanks to those parents who have already volunteered their time.

CAROLYN SHEAF
for GARY WALLACE,
Sports Co-Ordinator.

Many people in our community will have heard of the MS Readathon – it has been around since 1979, and is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year. Many parents will have been involved in the MS Readathon when they were at school.

Students are being invited to register to take part in this year’s MS Readathon from 1st – 30th June. It’s very easy to be involved – here’s what to do:

• Register online at www.msreadathon.org.au and receive a cool wristband.
• Register via mail by collecting a registration form from the school office.
• Read as many books as you can during the month of June. Guess what – if you are doing the Premier’s Reading Challenge, you can count any books you read for that too!
• Collect sponsorship donations from family and friends and collect some terrific rewards.

Visit www.msreadathon.org.au or call 1300 677 323 for more details.

BONUS – once 20 students from our school have registered online for the MS Readathon, the school will receive a book pack for the Library – it’s free to register online, just check with mum or dad first.
A MESSAGE FROM
THE SCHOOL CROSSING
SUPERVISOR

This is just a reminder that between 8.15 – 9.15am and 3.15 – 4.15pm (or whilst I am on duty), the house side of Orson Street, from the roundabout to Ingrid St, is a NO STANDING AREA.

Also, the yellow line area on both sides of Orson St is a NO STANDING AREA. This applies for any stopping – even a 30-second drop-off or pick-up.

There is a $110 fine for stopping in these areas during the above times.

For the safety of all – especially children – I would appreciate the co-operation of motorists in this matter.

ROBYN MACE,
School Crossing Supervisor.

PREMIER’S READING
CHALLENGE

Hey all you terrific readers – you are all doing such a great job for the Challenge, why not also register for the MS Readathon and raise money with your reading for a good cause? See the MS Readathon item in this newsletter for details on how to register.

Here are some more great reads from the Premier’s Reading Challenge booklist, as suggested by Mrs Hendrey:

- Prep – Gr. 2 .... “Aussie Nibbles” series
- Grade 3/4 ...... “Boyz Rule” series
- Grade 5/6 ...... Books by Robin Klein
- Grade 6/7 ...... Books by Margaret Wild

Congratulations to the following students who have completed their Challenge this week:

THANU J. and KIRRILEE H.

HAPPY READING!

ALISON LANCASTHIRE & JAN HENDREY,
Premier’s Reading Challenge Co-ordinators

PARENT & FAMILY
SUPPORT
INFORMATION

Northern Autism Spectrum Disorder Network invites you to a session on Asperger’s Syndrome & Anxiety

An information session for both parents and mainstream teachers, providing background information, tips and strategies for use at home and school.

Topics included: What is Aspergers?
: What is Anxiety?
: Why they experience Anxiety
: Implications for home and classroom

Where: Northern School - Autism
Landry Rd
Jacana MEL 6 F10

When: Monday, 11th May
6.30 – 8.00pm

Cost: Parents: no cost Teachers: $15

For further information and bookings contact Jenny Orso at Kalparrin.
Phone: 9435 8311 (Mon-Thurs 9.00-3.00)
Cheques payable to “Kalparrin N—ASD Network”
Direct Debit Available ABN: 61 827 714 605
Payment requested at time of booking. Invoice / receipt available on request.
Certificate of attendance provided for teachers.

CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday 8th May
Counter Sales Only
L. Kinniff, M. Horkings.

Monday 11th May
J. Clarke, M. Black, K. Steele.

Tuesday 12th May
Counter Sales Only
N. Hamilton, D. Connolly.

PAOLA FAIOLA
Canteen Co-ordinator

Scoresby PB's Challenge
Books Read as at 7.05.09
PFA NEWS

CHOCOLATE DRIVE
Congratulations to Opsimran (2/3A) and her family for winning the raffle prize for the family to sell ALL chocolates and return the money by due date. The winner of the prize for most chocolates sold will be announced before the end of the month.

Please note that any money and/or unsold chocolates not yet returned to school ARE NOW OVERDUE. If you have yet to attend to this, we ask you to do so ASAP.

If you have sold your initial box of chocolates (and returned the money) and would like to sell more, please contact Fiona Davis (0427 599 070) and she will arrange another box for you to take home.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS
We are still taking orders for Entertainment Books. Return your order, with payment, to the school and your copy will be sent home.

MOTHER’S DAY STALL
Many thanks to the parents who assisted with the Mother’s Day Stall – FIONA DAVIS, KELLY BLACK, NICOLE TURNER, MONICA PECKHAM, NATALIE CAVALLIN, JULIE STEELE, SUE NICHOLAS, PAULA ELLISON, HEATHER KITTERINGHAM AND MEGAN SIDDALL. Special thanks to MELINDA BLACK for wrapping items for the stall and her donation of wrapping paper. Special thanks also to TRACY DAVIES for her generous donation of hair accessories.

SCHOOL DISCO
The PFA are planning to hold a school disco on Friday 19th June and we are seeking member/s of our school community who could co-ordinate this event. The duties required are organizing a roster of parent helpers, purchasing snack food items and pick-up/drop-off of cordial dispenser from McDonalds. You would also be required to attend the PFA meeting on Tuesday 9th June to ensure that planning is progressing.

This is an ideal job for a small group of friends to organize between them. If you think you could help, please contact Megan Siddall (0400 912 889)

BIGGEST MORNING TEA
As well as organizing fundraising and social events for the school, PFA has a commitment to support worthwhile charity causes in our community. On Friday 22nd May, we will be holding a “Biggest Morning Tea” as a fundraiser for Cancer Council research in conjunction with the school’s Open Day / Grandparents & Special Visitor’s Day.

We are asking members of the school community to support this event by providing a plate of food for the morning tea. All food can be brought to the Hall before school on the day. Of course, we would love you to join us for a cuppa at 11.00am if you can make it.

FOOTY TIPPING
Due to circumstances beyond our control, there are no tipping results available this week.

NEXT MEETING
Monday 11th May, 8.00pm in Staffroom.

THANK-YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT.
Parents and Friends Association

SICK BAY LINEN ROSTER
Week Ending 8 May – Josie Costanzo
Week Ending 15 May – Nicole Bourke

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE
SCORESBY
KIDS
MONDAY 11th – FRIDAY 15th MAY

- Celebrating National Families Week.
- Make a Family Tree & learn about your origins.
- Quilling - bookmark.
- Cooking – Chocolate Truffles / Cupcakes.

LEAH, AMANDA, CAZ, LACHLAN, STACY AND ASHLEIGH,
OSHC Staff
COMMUNITY NOTICES

Hi

I HAVE JUST STARTED SELLING UNDERCOVERWEAR AN EXCITING NEW RANGE OF CLOTHING, LINGERIE AND SLEEPWEAR.

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Girl Guides Victoria School Holiday Camp

Do you want to have an awesome time on your school holidays?

Are you interested in magazines?

Do you want some outdoor adventure?

Do you love sleepovers with your friends?

Well if you answered YES to any of these questions we have the camp for you!

IT'S FOR FUN

Girl Guides Victoria has been offering fun and exciting programs for girls just like you for almost 100 years. We are running a camp over the June/July School Holidays where you can create your own magazine.

Two team members from Indigo Magazines will show you how it’s done and you get to choose the part of the magazine you want to work on. You could be the editor, the photographer, the writer or any of the roles needed to create your own magazine.

There will also be heaps of fun and exciting outdoor activities to do and you get to camp out in tents and inside our lodge.

When: Sunday 28 June (from 3pm) to Saturday 4 July 2009 (11am finish)

Where: Iluka Girl Guide Campsite, Shoreham Road, Shoreham

Who: For girls aged between 10 and 14 years old

Cost: $350 for Girl Guides Victoria members $700 for non-members

Applications close Friday 29 May 2009

Questions? Call Girl Guides Victoria 8606 3500 Email: camps@guidesvic.org.au

Website: www.guidesvic.org.au

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