### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**FRIDAY 24TH FEBRUARY** ........................................... Andrew Fuller - Level 4
**MONDAY 27TH FEBRUARY** ........................................... Brainstorm Productions – 2.15 to 3.15pm
**THURSDAY 1ST MARCH** ........................................... Family Fun Night & Picnic
**TUESDAY 6TH MARCH** ........................................... School Photo Day
**MONDAY 12TH MARCH** ........................................... Labour Day – Public Holiday
**WEDNESDAY 14TH MARCH** ........................................... A Touch of Purple Day
**FRIDAY 16TH MARCH** ........................................... NZ Students leave for New Zealand
**FRIDAY 16TH MARCH** ........................................... Level 4 Girls & Fathers Night
**WEDNESDAY 21ST MARCH** ......................................... Harmony Day
**WEDNESDAY 21ST MARCH** ......................................... School Council AGM
**FRIDAY 23RD MARCH** ........................................... NZ Students return
**TUESDAY 27TH MARCH** ........................................... District Athletics Carnival
**FRIDAY 30TH MARCH** ........................................... University of NSW entries closing date
**FRIDAY 30TH MARCH** ........................................... Last Day Term 1 - 2.30 pm Finish

### PRINCIPAL’S DESK

**IT’S TIME FOR A NEW CHAPTER**

I have been very fortunate to have been part of the Scoresby Primary School community for 10 of the 42 years that I have been involved in education. The time has come for me to consider my future and I have decided that it is time for me to retire and enjoy other aspects of my life. I will therefore have my last day at Scoresby Primary School on the 30th March – the last day of term 1. I have spoken to the staff, the School Council and the Regional Office to ensure that all steps will be put into place to ensure a smooth transition process for the school and its wonderful community. I will be working steadily up until the 30th to ensure that all our plans are well established for 2012 and things are left as they should be.

You are all part of a great school which will continue to grow from strength to strength – but more from me later as the end of term draws near.

### STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

It was a delight to have the Hon Kim Wells, Victorian Treasurer and Member for Scoresby, at assembly on Monday morning to present badges of Office to our School Captains and watch as the smiles break out on the faces of our House Captains and Vice Captains as they were announced.
Our School Student leadership
Team for 2012 is:
School Captains   Lauren Ellison
and      Jacob Waryszczuk
Chisholm House Captains –
Emma Harris and Raelene
Petterlin   Vice Captain – Dylan
Priestley
Macarthur House Captains – Guy
Laughlin and Karlee Booth   Vice
Captain – Sarah Cadusch
Cook House Captains – Lachlan
Thompson and Tammy Williams
Vice Captain – Helena Black
Flinders House Captains –
Michael McRitchie and Lachlan
Siddall   Vice Captain – Alyssa
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SCORESBY PRIMARY SCHOOL COUNCIL
Nominations closed on Monday afternoon for the 4 parent and 2 DEECD positions on School Council. We
received the following nominations:

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These people are now declared as elected as we have sufficient people to fill the vacancies and do not need
to go to ballot – CONGRATULATIONS.
The 2012 School Council will meet on Wednesday 14th March. We invite the newly elected members to
attend this meeting.

OUR SCHOOL GROUNDS
A very big thank you to the group of parents and friends who gave up their Saturday morning to do many
jobs around the school last weekend. It is lovely to walk out into the grounds and see the weeds gone out
of the garden beds and junior playground, the senior playground with the extra board to help keep the
softfall mulch in place, the henhouse with its water proof roof, the seats repaired, the lavender thinned out,
the hedges trimmed under the windows and know that the drainage pits have been cleared for when it
rains next!
The following people made a great team who accomplished so much - Peter Ryan, Chris Eldrige (a
grandfather of a Prep student), Shaun, Christine, Laura and Sarah Williams, Andrew McPhee, Bronwyn and
Amelia Sheen, Blair, Michelle, Gabby and Millie Watson, Luke, Lisa, Rebecca and Samuel Hitchins, Paul and
Max Hannink-Baker, Jarrad and Ashton Day, Garry Steele and Geoff, Claire, Stephanie and Melissa Warr.

SCHOOL CANTEEN
We need your help if we are to offer lunch orders at school in 2012. At present we have 9 parents who have
volunteered to be rostered on once a month to make up lunch orders on a Monday morning but we need 4
more to make it work. If you could possibly help out on the monthly roster please email Linda Taylor on
taylor.linda.l@edumail.vic.gov.au or contact Alex Mikus on 0431 932 821.

NAME THE CHICKENS
We now have the very important task of naming our 4 hens! We are investigating small coloured bands
which could be placed on a leg of each hen so that we can tell them apart.
We are running a competition to name the hens and the entry forms are at the front office. If anyone would
like to put a name forward they need to fill out a form and place it in the gold box in the foyer. We will be
forming a panel to make the final decisions. Please make sure your ideas are included by Tuesday next
week.
Thank you to the level 3 students who are currently being trained and then training other students in the
care of the hens and making sure that they are securely locked up in their henhouse at night.

MAUREEN FOWLER
Principal
Our HoM focus next fortnight is “Managing Impulsivity”.
The slogan for this is “Take your time!”
It means thinking before acting; remaining calm, thoughtful and deliberate.

Successful people have a sense of deliberativeness. They know how to monitor their own impulses and resist jumping to conclusions. Often children blurt the first idea that comes to mind, shout out an answer, start to work without fully understanding directions or make immediate value judgments about an idea—criticizing or praising it before considering it’s pros and cons. They may take the first suggestion given or accept the first idea that comes to mind rather than considering alternatives and consequences of several possible directions.

Help your child learn to manage his or her impulses, by asking them to explain rules before beginning a task or game, talking over a plan for solving a problem, exploring alternative problem solving strategies, and considering consequences of actions before beginning.

**KNOX FESTIVAL PRIMARY SCHOOLS BANNER COMPETITION**

Support our school!!

‘In the Making’ is our theme for 2012. The Knox Festival is one of Melbourne’s longest running community art festivals, and in 2012 we will continue to explore the creative history of this event, and that of our community.

‘In the Making’ celebrates our community’s talents and skills, life and colour. Our premier event is full of art making and viewing, food cooking and consuming, music playing and listening, fashion designing and wearing, community building, being seen and seeing each other.

**FESTIVAL INFORMATION**

2012 Knox City Council Festival Dates are: Saturday 3 & Sunday 4 March

**Saturday 3 March 2012**
Activities and Fairground from: 10am to 5pm
Twilight Cinema: approximately 7pm Movie: ‘Rio’
Fireworks at 9.15pm
Please note: The fairground is NOT open during the Twilight Cinema.

**Sunday 4 March 2012**
Activities and Fairground from: 10am to 5pm

**Location:** Wally Tew Recreation Reserve (Previously known as Ferntree Gully Recreation Reserve)
Brennock Park Drive, Ferntree Gully (Melway 74 B5)

There are a huge range of activities that the whole family will love:

- Get creative with over 100 free art workshops and activities
  - See Knox’s finest artists at work, how we create as a community and how we create community
  - Relax at the Canopy stage and watch the Legendary Blues Train performers
  - **Vote for your favourite piece of art in the Primary Schools Banner Competition**
  - Enjoy music and dancing from local schools and community groups at the Community Stage
  - Discover mouth-watering food from around the world at the Knox Masterchef Stage
  - See the seven tonne sand sculpture take shape and play in the giant sand pit
  - Get sporty with the Australian Sports Commission’s ‘Come and try zone’
  - Chill out at Knox Youth Serves’ ‘Knoxious’ lounge featuring skate, gaming, pamper tent and music
  - Run away and join the circus at our free Ruccis Circus workshops
  - Explore the fairground, market stalls, roving performers and much, much more!

Scoresby Primary School is entering the Primary Schools Banner Competition. If you are going to the festival, please take the time to view our banner and vote for us so that we go in to the draw for a prize!!

**LOST PROPERTY**

Could all parents please make sure your child’s hats, windcheaters, jackets, drink bottles, lunchboxes and any containers are named.
Lost property is now located outside Mrs Maguire’s classroom – Room 3

Thank you
SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos will be taken on Tuesday 6th March. On Monday all students received an envelope from MSP Photography. Please DO NOT return the envelopes until Photo Day, when each student will hand their envelope directly to the photographer.

All students will have an individual photo. If you would like to have a FAMILY PORTRAIT taken then you or your child needs to collect an envelope directly from the office. Spare envelopes will also be available from the office. As with individual / class photos, please do not bring the envelope until Photo Day and the eldest child can hand it directly to the photographer.

CHRISTINE MCEVOY
Assistant Principal

SPORT NEWS

Family Fun Night & Picnic

On Thursday the 1st of March we will be holding our annual ‘Family Fun Night’. This is always a great way to begin the year and get the entire school community together. The evening will commence at 6.00pm with a casual picnic on the side of the oval at the school. At 6.30pm students will participate in a variety of tabloid sport activities. Then at 7.30pm students will participate in some running races on the oval. The night will conclude at approximately 8.00pm.

It is a really enjoyable night that the students really enjoy! We hope to see you there!

Running Club has commenced at Scoresby Primary School!!!

On Wednesday the 15th of February we commenced our ‘Running Club’ on the running track at Scoresby Primary School. This is open to all students in grades 3-6 and involves students trying to improve their fitness and running ability to make everyone healthier and hopefully help us with athletics and cross country results early this year.

‘Running Club’ will run from 8:15am – 8:45am each Wednesday morning. Students will be given the opportunity to keep an ongoing tally of the number of laps that they complete of the track throughout the year – and therefore how many kilometres that they travel. Awards will be handed out for this at various stages throughout the year.

A healthy breakfast of cereal and fruit is also supplied each Wednesday morning to ensure that students have plenty of energy for their day. If your child plans on having cereal they will need to bring their own bowl and spoon.

It would be great to have as many students there as possible!

Aaron Palmer

African Drummers Incursion

By Tamika & Britney 5/6J

Last week on Thursday 16th February, we had 2 amazing African drummers come to teach us how to play the Djembe drum. It was such a fun, loud and exciting experience. Each level had a session with these drummers. We sang songs while we were drumming such as, “I like to move it, move it!”, “If you’re happy and you know it” as well as some African songs. In the Level 4 session, one of the African drummers picked out a student and sang a lovely song about her. Everyone started laughing! They had a great sense of humour. They also taught us some African dancing which was very funny. We also found out that one of the African drummers could break dance!

We really enjoyed the experience of drumming and dancing. Everyone had a lot of fun!
BEST WISHES TO THOSE STUDENTS WHO WERE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Pareesa R, Alicia d, Chloe H.

Prep for Parents

Did your child start Prep this year? Would you like tips on how to support your child in their first year at school? Then subscribe to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development’s new weekly Prep for Parents email.

You will be sent an email every Wednesday during school term that will include tips, advice and information about the day-to-day experiences children have in the classroom and things you can do at home to assist and encourage your child.

To subscribe to Prep for Parents, see:


FROM THE OFFICE

If you no longer wish to have the newsletter sent by email please reply to it with “unsubscribe” in the subject line.

Thank you - Linda and Raelene
taylor.linda.l@edumail.vic.gov.au davis.raelene.p@edumail.vic.gov.au

UNIFORM NEWS

The Uniform Shop is open on

- Mondays 3.15pm to 3.45pm
- Wednesdays 8.45am to 9.15am
- Thursdays 8.45am to 9.15am

* Get ready for Term 2 & 3 by buying warmer second hand uniform in a big sale coming up towards the end of this term.

CANTEEN HELPERS WE STILL NEED 5 MORE HELPERS TO OPEN THE CANTEEN ON MONDAYS. PLEASE SEND YOUR NAME TO THE OFFICE ASAP

- Junior Group Lessons after school hours – $13.50 per lesson
- Semi-private $19 and private lessons $29 for all ages.
- Competition teams available.
- Held at St.Judes Tennis Club
- Contact: Your Local Coach
  Brad Hasler on 0417 327 880 – 9562 2344

Singing and Dancing Opportunities in 2012

The Australian Youth Choir and the Australian Youth Dance Theatre not only give young people the opportunity to develop their skills within the Performing arts under expert guidance, but the chance to make new friends and perform in exciting concerts. Our kids work as a team, develop life long friendships and have great fun.

Visit our website to find out more about our programs www.niypaa.com.au
Awards presented on Monday 20th February 2012

Prep B – Lillian
Lillian has been awarded this week for her ability to show respect and acceptance towards all our new friends in Prep B. She has been a wonderful helper and a lovely caring friend to everyone! Lillian, I am so proud to have you in my grade for 2012. You have come to school with more confidence and a very positive attitude. You are a well-deserved 'Star of the Week'!

Prep E – Olivia
For being such a fantastic friend to others. Olivia is very caring and helps others when they are upset. She plays nicely, speaks kindly to others, shares and lets everyone have a turn. Keep up the great work, Olivia.

1/2A – Stephanie
Stephanie has shown that with her wonderful calm nature she can tackle any task. Stephanie listens very carefully and always uses great manners. Last week Stephanie confidently shared her “Me Show bag” with the grade and used many terrific public speaking skills like making eye contact and speaking in a clear voice. Well done Steph, we are lucky to have you in our 1/2A team.

1/2N – Elyse
Our award this week goes to Elyse Johnsen for the awesome start she has had to grade one. Elyse is an expert at displaying respect, she sits quietly listening to and looking at the speaker. Elyse confidently joins in lots of new activities. Last week, she had lots of fun showing her expert drumming skills at our African drumming incursion. Well done Elyse you are a Scoresby Primary school star!

1/2W – Maisie
For showing great maturity and confidence, and working co-operatively with new friends in her new classroom. Maisie displayed great confidence when presenting her “ME show bag”, speaking with a clear and audible voice. She explained her personal items with detail and was able to answer and ask questions assertively. Maisie, you should be very proud, your presentation was interesting and enjoyable. What a great start to the year. Well done Maisie!

1/2W – Jacob
For consistently showing great persistence with all activities. He has displayed a terrific ‘have-a-go’ attitude and is willing to attempt new ways, ideas and strategies with confidence and persistence. Jacob has already created many pieces of work displaying outstanding quality. He is well organised and enjoys the challenges he is set! Well done Jacob. Keep up the super effort!

3/4D – Jess
For managing and directing her Literacy group team in a performance of Little Red Riding Hood. Jess displayed excellent leadership skills by ensuring all team members had an important role and all aspects of the performance were covered. From acting roles to props and costume directors, Jess ensured that every member of the team felt important. Jess, you’re a natural leader, Well done!!

3/4G – David
For the consistent manner in which he has demonstrated the HEART values since beginning the school year. David is both friendly and respectful to each member of the class, supportive of his class mates when needing help with work and can be trusted to complete any extra duties asked of him. David what a fantastic role model you have been so far this year. Keep up the fantastic work!
3/4G – Taylah
For demonstrating so many of the Habits of Mind and You Can Do It qualities.
Taylah actively listens to all class instructions and is conscientious in her approach to completing each given task to a high standard.
Taylah remembers to rule up each page in her book, use her dotted thirds effectively and takes her time to use colour in both her headings and illustrations.
Taylah is a great role model for being organised and persistent.
Keep up the magnificent work!

3/4W – Jemma
The Class and Miss Wellinger voted for Jemma because she has been doing very good work. Her spelling word sentences were very detailed. The presentation she made for Sustainables Rep was well thought out and enthusiastic. Jemma’s leadership skills have been progressing through the helping of others in the room and completing Sustainable tasks. Congratulations, a great way to start the year!

5/6C – James
For the fantastic Getting Along skills that James has used to make new friends in Level 4 this year.
James wasn’t sure who to spend his recess and lunchtimes with during the first week, but he had the confidence to ask someone if he could join in with them. As a result, James has made more friends and is having a great time out in the yard.
James, your empathy towards others really makes you a great friend to have.
I hope that you enjoy being in Level 4 with all of your new friends.

5/6K – Karlee
For the mature way she returned from Somers camp this week and got straight back into a great working routine. Karlee was quick to pick up where she left off before camp. She was organised and remembered to get her diary signed even though she had missed most of the week. She demonstrated great initiative in Science and Technology when she decided to use her jotter to record notes while she watched a DVD so that she would be able to contribute to our class discussion when it finished. Well done Karlee, keep up these great work habits.

5/6J – Raelene
For being such a fantastic helper to our new Japanese student, Mai. She was incredibly patient and kind, always thinking of Mai’s needs above her own. Raelene should be commended on her excellent display of empathy which made Mai feel very welcomed and accepted. You’re a lovely asset to 5/6J Raelene. Well done on a great start to the year.

5/6 S – Max
For the fantastic start that Max has made to the new school year. Max has already demonstrated his ability to use our school ‘HEART’ values and the Habits of Mind, in particular ‘Asking Questions’ to clarify things that he is unsure about. Max, I feel absolutely honored to have you in my class this year.

Waverley Calisthenics Club
Calisthenics is for everyone!
Does your daughter enjoy dancing, performing and having fun?
Calisthenics is the fun way to get your dose of physical activity!
It helps you keep fit and healthy through performing routines to music.
Become part of a team where you can make lots of new friends!

When?
Tinies 7 and under (beginners) – 4.15 - 4.45 pm
Tinies 4.30 - 6.00 pm
Sub Juniors - 4.30 - 6.30 pm
Juniors - 6.15 - 8.15 pm
Inters 6 - 9 pm

Where?
Wednesday Nights
St Judes Community Centre
George Street, Scoresby

Tinies – 7 and under, Sub Juniors – 9 and under, Juniors – 12 and under, Inters -16 and under
For more information, please visit www.waverleycalisthenics.org
Knox City FC

Come ‘n’ Try Soccer
Sunday 4th March 2012

Learn new skills
Make friends
Be part of a team
Boys & Girls
5–12 years old

Free Ball for all new Players

Knox City FC has been the premier Soccer club in the City of Knox for more than 40 years. The club is open to everyone and provides training for boys and girls of all ages and skill levels to participate in sport. We invite boys and girls aged 5–12 to “Come ‘n’ Try Soccer” with our qualified coaches.

Where:
Northmore Reserve
Northmore Road
Northmore South
Northmore Road
Narre Warren South

When:
Sunday 4th March 2012
9am–12pm

If you would like more information please email info@ KnoxCityFC.com.au

All Welcome

Knoxfield Netball Club

The Knoxfield Netball Club is looking for new players for our Open Team (18 years and over) which competes at Jells Park on Saturday afternoons.

Also for players for a New 11 & Under team which competes at Jells Park on Saturday morning. Players must be 8 years old to compete. Training is at Carrington Primary School Tuesday afternoons 4:00 to 5:00.

Season starts 17th March 2012.

If you are interested & require more information please call any of the below:

President: Alision Ph: 9759 3152 / 0409 160 959
Secretary: Michele Ph: 9404 586 488
Treasurer: Deborah Ph: 9763 7279

Knox Churches Soccer Club

Knox Churches Soccer Club is a friendly, encouraging club and welcomes players of all abilities to play the world game. The club is located at Knox Park, Ferntree Gully Road, Knoxfield.

The club is fielding teams in the VCSA league competition for season 2012, ranging from U8 through to U17 with matches played on Saturday mornings.

Knox Churches Soccer Club also run their Goalkick program, designed to introduce the skills and the game of soccer to beginner players (suitable for ages 5 up to 10 years) on Saturday mornings.

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