I am informing the school community that I will be taking Long Service Leave from Wednesday 13th June until the end of term 2 (Friday 29th June). Deputising for me will be Mrs Rowles who will perform all Principal duties during that time. Mrs Slavnic has been booked to take Grade 5/6R for the rest of term to relieve Mrs Rowles so we will welcome her on Wednesday 13th June. I don’t plan to make everyone jealous but I am taking a cruise with family. We will depart from Fremantle and travelling to several Asian destinations including Malaysia, Singapore, Vietnam, Cambodia, Indonesia and Thailand, where I am expecting the weather will be a little warmer! I am really looking forward to the cruise and stopping at so many cities and ports, mostly ones that I have never seen before. I will keep in touch with any important decision making but generally I plan to have a relaxing time and be refreshed for the second semester. I hope everyone has a great finish to the term and that you all enjoy reading reports later in the term and then having a relaxing holiday.
NEW STAFF MEMBER

I would like to inform all parents that we now have a new staff member Glenn De Lisen. Glenn started on Tuesday and will be working in Grade 1/2A on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays as an Aide. Please make Glenn feel welcome if you happen to see him over the coming weeks. He has already adjusted well to life at Upwey PS.

CURRICULUM DAY – REPORT WRITING - FRIDAY 15th JUNE

Our Staff Professional Learning presented by Eastern Health’s welfare staff will form part of the Curriculum Day on Friday 15th June. Staff will also be completing Written Reports on this day. This is a Student Free Day so please ensure that suitable arrangements are made for your child(ren)’s care on that day.

TRANSIT OF VENUS

I hope everyone managed to take a look at the Transit of Venus, a remarkable event that occurs at an 8 year interval and then every 105 years. Some children in the school were able to watch the progress of Venus across the Sun on the Interactive Whiteboard; quite an amazing sight!

ASSEMBLY PERFORMANCE – 3/4/5G & 5/6R

Mr Douglas, our Music Teacher, has organised grade performances at our School Assemblies over the last couple of weeks. Grade 3/4/5G completed their performance this week in great style. I postponed the Grade 5/6R performance which will now be scheduled for the next School Assembly on Monday 18th June at approximately 3:00 pm. Parents are invited to attend and witness the final short performance that has been rehearsed in Music lessons with Mr Douglas this term.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE – CORRECT BOOKING PROCEDURE

Bookings for Before and After School Care must be made through Sam (our co-ordinator) or the office. Children are not permitted to book themselves in to the program, only parents have that responsibility. We must have proper authorisation before a child is permitted to attend. Notification is required early to ensure catering and allow Sam to plan activities according numbers of those attending.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

The School Council Meeting was held on Monday 4th June in the staffroom beginning at 7:30 pm. Matters discussed were:

- The current Special Religious Instruction Program (CRE) was discussed with the council reaffirming the current organisation of our program.
- Changes in operation of the School Support Services Officers which will soon be run by the Network rather than the Regional Office. (Staff located in our double storey building.)

SPORT

DISTRICT WINTER SPORTS ROUND ROBIN – TRANSPORT HELP NEEDED

The District Winter Round Robin Competition will be held on Tuesday 19th June.

Soccer will be held at Narre Warren East Reserve.
Netball will be held at the Regional Netball Centre near Mountain Gate.
Tee Ball will be held at Gilbert Park.

We will be in need of parent assistance for transport to the venues for our teams. Any parents who can assist with teams please contact me (or Kay R) or the school office ASAP and give your details. This will keep the costs to a minimum. Competition starts at about 9:30 -10 am and concludes between 2:00 and 2:30 pm. A permission form for children involved in the competition is...
being distributed with this weeks newsletter. Returns of permission slips will be required by Thursday 14th June. Attendance is not compulsory for Year 3 children but they are welcome to be involved if parents/children so desire. Please be aware that most other schools will have Year 5 & 6 children competing.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

STOP WORK ACTION - DEECD RESPONSE
I have been asked to provide the school community with the DEECD’s response to the recent AEU Stop Work action which has been presented in an open letter to parents and may be accessed on the website below if you wish. www.education.vic.gov.au/about/enterpriseagreements/teachers/parents.htm

UNIVERSITY OF NSW COMPETITIONS
The University of NSW Computer Science competition was held on Wednesday 6thJune. The next competition will be the Writing Competition on Monday 18thJune and the Spelling Competition to be held on Tuesday 19thJune.

NATURE STRIP PARKING IN DARLING AVENUE
It has come to my attention that a small number of parents (primary and secondary school) are flouting parking regulations on Darling Avenue. Please be aware that you are not allowed to park on nature strips which is likely to cause damage and is disrespectful to local home owners. Local Shire Parking Officers have been informed of the practice and will take appropriate action. Please ensure you park within the correct areas along Darling Avenue when picking up children or park in the church car park if available.

CONCERT BANDS – ANDREW McALISTER’S ISM PROGRAM
We will be well represented at the In Schools Music Program performance in the city on June 15th8.00 am Melbourne Convention Centre in the Plenary Foyer. The Hills flute ensemble is performing as delegates arrive to the positive schools conference 2012. Caitlin S will be performing.

We will also be well represented at the In Schools Music Program performance at BMW Edge Theatre, Federation Square in the city on Friday 22ndJune at 7:30 pm with Caitlin S, Luke M and Rhiannon M performing. Tickets are free to this event. Congratulations to our musicians and I hope they enjoy the experience.

REMINDERS

PLAY GROUP PROGRAM CANCELLED FOR CURRICULUM DAY
A reminder that Friday’s regular Play Group session will not be held on Friday 15thas this day is the school’s Curriculum Day/Student Free Day and the BASC Curriculum Day Program will be operating.

CURRICULUM DAY PROGRAM (BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE)
Sam is running a Curriculum Day program for Friday 15thJune. Bookings are required on a first in – first served basis. If you are interested in your child attending please contact Sam to book. We have a ceiling of 15 on the numbers allowed to participate in the program. No other bookings will be permitted after the ceiling has been reached. As of the time of publication I am not sure if the ceiling has been reached.

GOOD LANGUAGE AND NOT BAD LANGUAGE
A follow up reminder regarding our aim to eliminate bad language by concentrating on positive language and respect for others. I am reminding parents to reinforce this message that swearing and bad language is a poor reflection on the child and family and will not be tolerated. Children need to be able to express themselves with good language that is polite and respectful. The old adage that states, “If you don’t have something good to say to someone then say nothing at all” rings very true.

MEDICATIONS
A reminder to parents of children requiring medication to be brought to school that the medicine needs to be stored at the office and information regarding usage for the child needs to be clearly labelled or identified in a parent note. (This does not include asthma medication such as inhalers.)

CHILDREN WITH MAKE-UP
Another reminder to all children and parents that make-up is not part of our school uniform and is not permitted during normal school hours (with the exception being school performances where parents will receive preliminary information). Children with make-up will be required to remove it before going into class. I am requesting that all parents be supportive of this approach and ensure that make-up is not worn. Thanks to the parents who have followed through with this request.

WRITTEN REPORTS
With the advent of report writing time this is final reminder to request for parents to inform us if a second copy of the Semester 1 Written Report is required for another family member (usually for separated parents). Please contact the office if a 2ndcopy is required so that we can organise for this to happen when the reports are completed. Your prompt attention to this matter will be appreciated.

WOOLWORTHS PROMOTION
Woolworths’ promotion “Earn & Learn” cards have now been distributed. The collection box is located in the Office Foyer for anyone who has completed cards. Stickers can also be left at the office and placed on the school cards. Sticker cards are available at the office and stickers can be obtained from Woolworths stores.

COLES PROMOTION
Coles’ vouchers are now being collected as a result of our school being registered with the promotion program. The collection box is located in the Office Foyer. Any contributions will be gratefully accepted.

FRIDAY FUNNY - by Hudley Humorous
DEFINITIONS
What is one millionth of a mouthwash?

1 microscope
To our STAFF
15th June
Mrs Rowles

Happy Birthday

Australian Sports Camps 30th year

ASC FOOTBALL CAMP
Brighton Grammar School—2, 3 & 4 July
Gordon Barnard Reserve, Nth Balwyn—4, 5 & 6 July
Royal Park, Parkville—9, 10 & 11 July
The Knox School, Wantirna—11, 12 & 13 July

ASC NETBALL CAMP
Mentone Grammar, Mentone—2, 3 & 4 July
Strathcona Baptist Girls GS, Canterbury—4, 5 & 6 July
State Netball and Hockey Centre, Parkville—11, 12 & 13 July

ASC HOCKEY CAMP
Hawthorn/Malvern Hockey Centre—4, 5 & 6 July
Waverley Hockey Club, Mount Waverley—9, 10 & 11 July
State Netball and Hockey Centre, Parkville—11, 12 & 13 July

TO BOOK OR FOR BROCHURES CALL
1300 914 368 OR
www.australiansportscammps.com.au

Burrinja

Burrinja is proud to have James and the Giant Peach performing live during the upcoming school holidays. Plus, we have some great drama classes for kids aged 5-13 years coming up in Term 3. It would be great if you can help us by putting this information in your upcoming newsletter to parents.

If you would like any further information or an image, please call Natasha on 9754 8723.

Thank you for supporting us and we hope to see you at Burrinja soon!

James and the Giant Peach
Monday 9th July @ 2.00pm

Roald Dahl's classic novel comes alive on stage!

When James Henry Trotter accidentally drops a bag full of magic by the old peach tree, something strange begins to happen...

Join James and his motley assortment of over-sized friends in this innovative musical adaptation of Roald Dahl's beloved children's classic, James and the Giant Peach.

Revel in the fantasy of this fully-staged production and let your imagination take a journey around the world ... on a peach as big as a house! Children and adults alike will delight in following James on his adventure away from the misery of life with the horrible Aunt Sponge and Aunt Spiker and into the Giant Peach with companions Old Green Grasshopper, Centipede, Ladybird, Miss Spider and, of course, funny old Earthworm.

For ticket bookings call 9754 8723 or BOOK ONLINE.

Calling all young musicians:

We invite all brass, woodwind and percussion players to play with us in:

The John Mallinson Youth Band (= AMEB 4-6)
or the The Wilf Dyason Wind Ensemble (<= AMEB 2-3)

Time: every Saturday afternoon
Venue: Mt Waverley Secondary College Melways 61 F11
Email: melaniebennets@optusnet.com.au

Happy Birthday

To our STAFF
15th June
Mrs Rowles

Buy one Whole Chicken and receive a small salad of your choice for free.

Just present this advertisement to redeem your free salad.

Choose from the following freshly made salads.
Greek, Caesar, Seafood Cocktail, Pasta, Chicken Pasta, Tabouli, Egg, Rice or Coleslaw.

Valid until Saturday 30th June 2012

Tecoma Charcoal Chicken
1/1563 Burwood Highway Tecoma Phone: 9754 1500

Welcome!
A big week in BASC next week.
Don't forget the curriculum day program on FRIDAY 15th JUNE. We will be running an entire day program as there are many families who need it this year.
We only have 3 places left so please make a booking ASAP. We can not take more than 15 children due to licensing requirements so please book fast.
It will be BYO lunch for the children & we will provide breakfast, morning & afternoon tea.

What's on next week?

MONDAY- CLOSED PUBLIC HOLIDAY
TUESDAY- Picture frames
WEDNESDAY- Science experiments & optical illusions
THURSDAY- Making Helicopters
FRIDAY- Curriculum day program.
Cooking, gardening, art & craft, games, and many other activities.
It is going to be a fantastic day that I am very much looking forward to.
See you all on Tuesday.

Playgroup
There will be NO Playgroup on Friday 15th June
(curriculum Day)
Please pass that on to anyone you know who normally attends our playgroup.

P.A. News
Next meeting Wed 20th June
Woolworths Sausage sizzle
Saturday 23rd June,
Helpers needed for the 9am-11am & 3pm—packup

Bookclub: Due back Friday 8th June
DRINKS     POPCORN
FAMILY 
MOVIE 
NIGHT

In Hall on Friday 
the 22nd June
Bring your tea and enjoy the night.
Family $5.00

Bring Pillow & Sleeping Bag.

Children must be accompanied by an adult
No Alcohol will be allowed