**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT 4.5.2012**

**SPECIAL PERSON DAY**

During Education Week on **Monday 21st May** we will be holding our Special Person Day for 2012. Invitations have been distributed by children to a special person who they wish to invite for the afternoon from **1:30 until 3:30 pm** (1:30 will be during lunch recess and classroom activities will begin at 2:00 pm). Children will be working with adults to complete an activity relating to the theme “Celebrating Books”.

We are hoping that every child in the school can have a “Special Person” attend for the afternoon.
### Student Achievement Awards

#### PH
- **Nathan**
  - For reading more confidently and fluently!

- **Adam**
  - For reaching the Green word list! What a super star!

#### 1/2A Art Award
- **Chelsea**
  - For always listening well to instructions and for producing such an excellent standard of work.

- **Sam M**
  - For always listening well to instructions and for consistently producing a high standard of work.

#### 1/2A
- **Caitlin**
  - For fantastic diary writing and for being a great role model.

- **Charlotte**
  - For great enthusiasm in class tasks and wonderful writing.

#### 3/4/5G
- **Jeremy**
  - For producing a very high standard of work in the Tim Burton project and for loaning his work to Billanook College students to show them what A grade looks like.

- **Holly N**
  - For her hard work, concentrating and improvement with fractions. Keep it up!

- **Tiger**
  - For working hard and completing all of his literacy and maths activities. Excellent work and improvements.

- **3/4/5G P.E. Award**
  - **Tiger**
    - For determined and concentrated effort during skills and game sessions.

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  - **Connor**
    - For determined and concentrated effort during skills and game sessions.

- **6R**
  - **Renee**
    - For a HUGE improvement in dictation results. A zero this week which means she had no mistakes.

- **6R Sienna**
  - For always doing her work well, for creativity, and for following the Tribes agreements.

- **6R Nathan**
  - For always working well in class and for following the Tribes agreements.

#### 3/4/5G
- **Kanye**
  - For a huge welcome to our new students

- **Karma**

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BACK TO KINDER
Our preps attended the Back To Kinder activity at Upwey Pre School this week after previously being postponed. Prep H visited on Wednesday 2nd May. Upwey Pre School hosted the visit by our Prep grade. Mrs Hickey and Prep H attended the kinder from 9:15 until 10:00. The weather just held up nicely this time! The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

NEWSLETTER – EMAIL, HARD COPY OR BOTH?
A survey has been distributed with the newsletter to seek consideration from parents as to how you wish to receive the newsletter in future. Parents will be able to receive the normal paper copy, email copy or both. We are considering minimising the production of the paper copies in an effort to be more environmentally considerate and ask parents to consider receiving the electronic copy, if able, in preference to the paper copy. Please complete the survey and return to the office so that the new approach may be implemented quickly.

STUDENT/TEACHER ROUNDS
We welcome Miss Lofthouse (in Prep H) and Miss Crofts (in Grade 5/6R) this week. Both are training student teachers from Deakin University. They will be attending our school and assisting with class activities over a three week period.

BIODIVERSITY AUDIT – GRADE 5/6R – RE-SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY 14TH MAY
The Biodiversity Audit involving adults and children in Grade 5/6R has been re-scheduled for Monday 14th May from 9 until 11 am. We are asking for parents to assist as group leaders and helpers for the activity.

SCHOOL NURSE VISIT
The School Nurse Susan Shearman will be attending Upwey PS to complete Prep checks on Tuesday 8th May.

SPORT
HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY COMPETITION
The House Cross Country Sports will now be held on Tuesday 8th May in the morning between 9:15 and 11:00 am (and not Wednesday 9th May as previously advertised). Children will be able to attend in House Colours to show their allegiance. All children will be required to participate unless excused for reasons provided in a parent letter. Children will be running over appropriate distances according to their age level; with the Year 5 & 6 children running over 2-3 kilometres. The course will be on the school oval and across Upwey High and the Upwey Reserve. Children may walk the event which is part of our PE and Sports Program in the school.

DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY
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FOR YOUR INFORMATION
SHIRE OF YARRA RANGES NOTICE-FOOTPATH ACCESS
The contractor building the Child Care centre will be taking over 75% of the foot path from the corner of Mast Gully Road to the boundary of the site adjacent to 6 Darling Ave. A Pedestrian management procedure will be put in place to facilitate safe access for all pedestrians. The restrictions will commence Monday 7 May and end on Friday 11 May.

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On behalf of the council the Shire Project Officer, Chris Clerici, apologises for any inconvenience.

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**WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY**
Friday 18th May will be the national Walk Safely to School Day. We will be encouraging all children, as much as is possible, to complete some walking to school on that day. We will see how many kilometres each grade can “clock up” on that day.

**THANKS**

**BASC RELIEVING**
Thanks to Sue L for taking the Before and After School Care during Sam’s absence.

**LUNCH TIME ACTIVITIES**
Thanks to all the staff members who are currently running Lunch time activities for children. The commitment of staff in providing this program is fantastic and I am sure that parents and children greatly appreciate such opportunities for involvement and engagement. We currently have:
- Mondays – Sue and Sandra with Garden Club
- Tuesday – Kay G with Scrap Booking
- Wednesday – Mr G with Sanctuary Walk
- Thursday – Hayley with Snow Dome making
- Friday – Miss Andrews with Dance Club

**REMINDERS**

**SCHOOL PHOTOS- MONDAY 28th MAY**
All children, parents and staff are reminded that the school photos will be taken by SchoolPix on Monday 28th May. Order forms have been distributed so please make sure you complete them and hand the photo form back as late fees likely to be charged for late orders.

**CURRICULUM DAY – REPORT WRITING - FRIDAY 15th JUNE**
This is a reminder to all parents that Friday 15th June is a Curriculum Day and thus a Student Free Day allocated for Report Writing and Staff Professional Development. Please put this in your diary as you will need to make arrangements for your child(ren)’s care on that day.

**MOTHER’S DAY STALL**
Our Mother’s Day Stall will be held on Friday 11th May. I hope children are prepared to go shopping at the stall. Items are usually priced at between $1 and $5 so make sure you are prepared to spoil your mums.

**FRIDAY FUNNY –**
**by Hudley Humorous**
By popular demand (I am not telling you how many demanded!!) I will be re-introducing the Friday Funny section for the newsletter.

**DEFINITIONS**

What is the definition of 1000 kilograms of Chinese soup?

Won tonne

**LOST**
**EMILY W’S DINOSAUR BOOK HAS GONE MISSING, IF YOU HAVE PICKED IT UP, COULD YOU PLEASE RETURN IT TO THE OFFICE, THANK YOU**

**P.A. Fundraising, Term 2**

Book club Issue 3, any last minute orders will be taken on Monday

Mothers Day stall: 11th May, items are All gifts priced between $1—$5
Please remind dad’s to send along some money to buy something special for Mum!!!

Bingo, Games and Silent Auction Night
Friday 10th August. Pop this date in your diary

Meeting next week: Wednesday 16th May, 9am in the staffroom

**STUDENT SCHOOL BANKING**

Piggy bank Passbook Account
The Fun way to save!
If you would like to open an account for your child/ren please pick up a form from the office

Banking is every Monday

Please ask your child to give their passbook to their teacher or drop it in at the office

**Look who’s been snacking in our Veggie Patch**
How do you say “Thanks Mum”

A special day in BELGRAVE with free activities on Saturday May 12th

Let’s bring Mum in for a treat while you shop for that perfect gift.

**MASSAGE**

Relaxed and rejuvenated.

Belgrave Organics will have a massage stall open for the day. No booking required. Bring in a friend for a massage.

For more information go to: www.belgraveorganics.com

**ZUMBA**

I am at Cupcakes bookings essential 9754 1302

Our 2nd year for free body fitness instructors. Make sure you pick up the special Mothers Day Half Price vouchers for a 1 hour & smoke free environment.

www.cupcakesbelgrave.com

**SINGING**

Barb McFarlane & Wonthaggi Community Choir come to sing in the benefits of singing.

Barb will sing 1.30 & 1.45pm just outside the front doors when weather permits or inside for women & a cappella groups who are interested. Call 9754 1302

www.goldencobras.com.au

**YOGA**

Relaxation Sessions at Sherbrooke Health Store in the downstairs studio space with Asian Jacobs.

Arise at one of these times 11.45, 12.00, 12.15pm or book in at 9754 1037 1408 Burwood Highway, 1136 Belgrave West.

www.healingspace.com.au

For gift ideas, check out our business directory at www.belgrave.net.au

Enquiries to Marina Phone: 9754 1027 beltraders@belgrave.net.au

Happy Mother’s Day from Belgrave Traders

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**Len Jeffrey Memorial Preschool**

**OPEN DAY 25th May 10Am - 1Pm**

Come meet our friendly qualified Teachers and Assistants to discuss our 3 & 4 year old kinder programs. We have a great outdoor area and two beautifully decorated classrooms. Please contact the preschool on 9754 5965

102 Colby Drive Belgrave South

www.lenjeffreymemorialpreschool.vc.edu.com

**Market dates in 2012 are**

Sat 19 May, 9am – 2pm

Sat 18 August, 9am – 2pm

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**Kalorama Chestnut Festival**

Day 1 25 May 10am - 4pm.

Mt. Dandenong Tourist Rd. Kalorama. (Mel 120 B9)

www.chestnutfestival.com.au

Roasted Chestnuts Hot Food

Rides Face Painting

Market stalls Live Music

and much more!

“The Biggest Event in the Dandenong Ranges”

Proudly supporting Mt. Dandenong Preschool

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**Single Parents Active Kids**

Brings to you a

FREE Single Parent Family Fun Day

Sunday 10th of June 2012

12 noon – 5 pm

The wonderful Temple Society premises, indoor/outdoor options

54 Elizabeth St Bayswater

reference is 64 FT!!

Free BBQ and Drinks

Free kids activities and games

Free face painting, Membership Specials + So Much More!!

ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL!!

Please RSVP to Mosh on 0420 504 115

or info@singleparentsactivekids.org

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**Golden Cobra School of Martial Arts**

1611 Burwood HWY BELGRAVE, 3160

**Open Day Saturday May 5th**

Special Offer to Family Clans

**Huge Savings!**

**Reduced Memberships!**

**Bring your family & friends to the suitable class and qualify for savings of over $100.**

**Call 9754 7892 to book into your free trial**
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**Dance Club**

**With Miss Andrews**

Every Friday at 2nd Bell,

Learn a great dance to perform at End of Term Assembly

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**Happy Birthday**

To our students

4th May - 11th May

**Jacob & Eva**