Dear Parent and Guardians,

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING!**

Just a reminder that our 2014 Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 17th March at 6.30pm.

The main item for business is the presentation of our 2013 Annual Report. This meeting is open to all members of our community. If you are interested in attending please contact our Office, and a copy of the Agenda and 2013 Annual Report will be issued to you. A copy of the Annual Report will be available on our web site (www.westbreenps.vic.edu.au) or for collection at the school office from Wednesday 19th March.

**SIGNING IN**

Any adults remaining in or arriving at school after 9.00am are required to sign in at the office and wear a visitor’s badge. This applies to parent helpers, visiting tradesmen, visiting teachers etc and is an important safety precaution that all schools take to meet Occupational Health & Safety guidelines. Our sign in book is located on the front counter at the office.

**MANAGING AND ADDRESSING CONCERNS**

It is pleasing, that within our school community, we have strong parent involvement which is critical to children’s development and learning. The school is a busy place with great depth and breadth of programs. Teachers work in teams and collaborate with parents in many aspects of school programs and activities. This communication between all stakeholders in the children’s education is vitally important. As staff we try to get things right, but unfortunately on occasions there may be concerns which may need to be addressed. At school we are committed to treating everyone respectfully and we encourage good communication between parents and the school. Teachers need to know about any concerns you may have about your child’s education. Teaching and learning in our school works best when parents and teachers work together to solve any problems.

Classroom teachers are usually best placed to resolve concerns or issues relating to student learning and specific student incidents in the teacher’s class or group.

We also have Area Leaders who are able to provide support when students from other classes are involved. To make an appointment to speak at length with any staff member please contact the Office and a suitable time will be arranged convenient to both parties.
Our Area Leaders are:

Foundation, Levels 1 & 2 - (Prep, Grade 1 & 2) ~ Carla da Silva
Levels 3 & 4 (Grade 3 & 4) ~ Kristy Monaghan
Levels 5 & 6 (grade 5 & 6) ~ Effie Aresti

Have a wonderful week

Tony Cerra
Principal

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDING 12th March 2014

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<td>For always trying her best and being a responsible enthusiastic class member.</td>
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Nude Food

This week’s winners are 5/6C.
Well done and keep up the great work!
Premier’s Reading Challenge 2014

The Premier’s Reading Challenge is now open for 2014

1. You must register by filling in the 2014 Participation form and keep a record of your reading on the Challenge website.

2. Between March and 10th September:

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* Challenge books in the Westbreen Primary School library have stickers that identify them as Premier’s Reading Challenge books.

3. If you are in Prep, Grade 1 or Grade 2 you can read books by yourself or with someone else, for example, a parent, teacher, brother or sister, classmate, buddy or friend. They can help you or read the book to you if you are just learning to read.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS News

Easter raffle tickets due back by Tuesday 1st April we are sill look for donations of Easter eggs thank you for your support.

Don’t forget your orders for Hot Dog Day on Thursday 27th March
On **Friday March 21** our school will be supporting the **National Day of Action Against Bullying**.

We are working closely with the “Zero Bully Australia Foundation” to teach our students excellent strategies to deal with bullying behaviours and to make our school a **Bully-Free** zone.

On the day there will be wrist bands, key-rings and badges for sale for a **gold coin donation**.

All money raised will go towards providing our school with extra resources to fight all kinds of bullying.

Students are encouraged to **wear orange** on this day to show their support.
Homemade Rice Puff Bars

Serving Size
Makes 16 bars

Ingredients

- 6 cups Rice Bubbles
- ½ cup 100s and 1000s
- 1 pkt (250g) marshmallows
- 125g unsalted butter, melted

Method

- Grease a 16cm x 26cm slice tray and set aside.
- Chop 1 cup marshmallows and combine in a bowl with Rice Bubbles and 100s and 1000s.
- Melt remaining marshmallows in a heat-proof bowl in the microwave (on high for 15-20 seconds).
- Add melted marshmallows and melted butter to the Rice Bubble mixture. Stir well to combine.
- Transfer mixture into tray and press down with the back of a metal spoon.
- Refrigerate until set, then cut into 16 bars.
- Store in an air-tight container in the fridge.

Notes

Variations include using Coco Pops for chocolaty twist, and drizzling with white or milk chocolate for an extra sugar hit.

Please see Michelle Brooksby for your free copy of our 2013 Newsletter Recipes, collated and stapled for your convenience. Anyone wishing to contribute to our 2014 Newsletter Recipes is welcomed and encouraged to do so, please see Michelle with your exciting recipe ideas. Thanks for your support

Grade 1/2 Local Neighbourhood Walk

As part of our Integrated Studies topic: ‘We Are All Different’ the grade 1/2 students have been looking at the neighbourhoods that the children live in and where we go to school. On Wednesday morning we will be walking to Cole Reserve so that we can see what facilities are available close to our school such as shops, doctors, kindergartens, sporting fields, walking tracks etc. We are going after assembly and will be back by lunchtime so there are no special requirements, but children must have their hat and it would be a good idea to also have a bottle of water.
ABORIGINAL TALK

3/4 K and 3/4O’s INCURSION

On Wednesday the 5th of March Phil came to visit Westbreen Primary School to talk about the Aboriginal community. Phil taught us some Aboriginal words. They were wominjeka which means welcome and ngayi means yes. Phil showed us some Aboriginal things to help people in central Australia. Then we did some paintings. We didn’t do any dots because we were not doing paintings from central Australia. It was fun learning Aboriginal things and doing beautiful paintings with Phil. By Myko 3/4K

Uncle Phil’s Visit

1. Uncle Phil taught us that ngayi means yes.
2. Uncle Phil taught us that wunjin means thankyou.
3. The first mobile phone helped the grown ups. If there was a dangerous animal nearby they would let the children know. The parents would swing the mobile phone and the dangerous animal will go away.
4. I also learnt that the spear can kill animals without them suffering.

Aboriginal words

Ngayi – yes                  Wunjin – Thankyou
Dhagung – no                Wungin – boomerang

Sya – hi

By Razan 3/4K

Wominjeka Everyone,

This term the grade 3/4s have been learning about Australia and Aboriginal culture. We would like to share some words from the Woiwurrung language, which was spoken in this part of Australia.

Wominjeka - Welcome           Dhagung - No
Triganin - See you next time  Narrinik - My name is
Ngayi - Yes                 Marrambik - I am
Glenroy College is planning an Opening Evening and Morning for parents. They will be held on Tuesday 6\textsuperscript{th} May 9.30-11.00am and Thursday 8\textsuperscript{th} May 5.00-6.30pm.

Come along and learn about Glenroy College. Meet our Principal, Mr Paul Dingle, meet current Glenroy College parents and students, meet Glenroy College teachers, and take a tour of the school.

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\textbf{Tuesday 6\textsuperscript{th} May 9.30-11.00am &
Thursday 8\textsuperscript{th} May 5.00-6.30pm}
\textbf{Glenroy College,}
\textbf{Glenroy Rd, Glenroy}
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The Glenroy College ‘Acceleration Program’ recognises high achieving students, and provides them with opportunities to accelerate and enrich their academic studies from Year 7 through to Year 12. Additional information will be provided at the Opening Evening and Morning.

Guided Tours for Glenroy College are available every Monday at 9.30am. It is essential to book. Please phone the College on 9304 0400 to book a place.

\textbf{All Parents & Students welcomed.}

\textbf{For more Information contact: Ms Allouche or Ms Tse on 9304 0400.}
Gladstone Park
Proudly invites prospective students and families to attend the College

INFORMATION EVENING
Wednesday 30th April, 2014
6:00pm to 7:00pm – General Information Session
This will be an opportunity to learn more about the school’s curriculum, staff and policies.
This session will be held in the Theatre.
7:00pm to 7:30pm – SEAL (Select Entry Accelerated Learning) and Select Entry Language Immersion Program
This is an opportunity to learn more about these programs.
Further information can be obtained by contacting Veronica Hoy or Julie Ryan on 9933 0300

OPEN DAY
Wednesday 7th May, 2014
9:15am – 10:30am - School Tour No. 1
11:00am – 12:15pm - School Tour No. 2
2 guided tours of the facilities will take place, where you can view demonstrations and open classrooms.
The tour will start at the Theatre.
RSVP - required for School Tours only
gladstone.park.se@edumail.vic.gov.au
Please indicate which School Tour you would like to attend.

Knowledge is Power
Taylor Drive, Gladstone Park 3043
Phone: 9933 0500
How can you help your child to get to school on time?

Tip 4: Organise your children to have a shower or bath the night before.

THE GOLDEN RULES

(How to use the internet safely)

4. NETIQUETTE
   * Speaking in all caps is considered SHOUTING!
   * Be polite
   * Don’t give out your personal details
   * Don’t say anything online that you wouldn’t say face to face. Just because you can’t see someone doesn’t mean that he/she doesn’t have feelings.

The Westbreen eSmart Team

Celebration of Term One Music Concert for Instrumental Students.

Date: Wednesday 19th March
Time: 3.15-4.15
Venue: Library

To celebrate our music learning, our instrumental students have the opportunity to play at our Instrumental Concert on the 19th March after school in the library. Solos and band items have been prepared for this event. Parents and friends are welcome to attend our mini concert. We hope to see you there!
Autumn Working Bee
Friday 28 March
3:30pm – 5:30pm

Our first Working Bee for 2014 is happening in 3 weeks and we would love to catch up with our regular helpers and meet any new parents who can spare a couple of hours to assist us in making our school environment as safe and beautiful as possible.

We need to refresh the vegetable patches (remove old plants and re-fill with nutrient rich soil), place more topsoil and mulch in garden beds, ‘fluff’ the soft fall mulch under playgrounds, plant more shrubs/plants, general weeding and sweeping of walkways, and still have time to meet one another after for a Sausage Sizzle BBQ.

Please fill in the form below and return to school as soon as possible.

AUTUMN WORKING BEE

We are able to attend the Working Bee on Friday 28 March:

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(If you live close by and you have a wheelbarrow, rake or broom, please bring them along as they are very useful with the transporting and spreading of mulch!!)

I am able to bring (circle): wheelbarrow / whipper snipper / rake / broom / shovel / secateurs / other: ____________________________

ENVELOPE AND ORDER INSTRUCTIONS
Dear Parents & Students ....  

PHOTO DAY IS   Monday 17th March 2014

School photo order envelopes have been or will be distributed to every student and it is important that the order instructions (below) are followed.

Important Information

- Every student ordering photos must return an order envelope before photo day.
- Every student ordering photos must return their own order envelope – even if their payment is in their sibling’s envelope.
- Sibling photo order envelopes can be collected from the school office and must be returned to the school office before photo day.
- Orders placed after photo day will be charged a late order fee.

Order Instructions

1. Select a photo package option - each option is explained on the flyer attached to the order envelope.
2. Complete your order envelope - use a black or blue ball point pen and fill in your order and contact details.
3. Complete payment - using one of the following options.

   CASH
   - Put exact money in order envelope.
   - No change will be given.
   - You can pay for all siblings in one order envelope - you must write on each order envelope the name and class of the sibling that has payment.

   CHEQUE
   - Write your name, address and telephone number on the back of the cheque.
   - Dishonour fees will be charged if payment is declined.
   - Make cheques payable to: ADVANCEDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY
   - Allow up to 60 days for payment to be completed.

   CREDIT CARD
   - Payment can only be made online.
     1. Go to website: www.advancedlife.com.au
     2. Click on online payments and re-orders, then click on proceed
     3. Enter the three (3) letter online payment code found on your order envelope (example: SCH), then click on OK
     4. Click NO. ( 9 digit code is not required at your school)
     5. Follow the payment instructions
     6. Write your receipt number on your order envelope under payment method – online payment.
   - You can pay for all siblings in one transaction – you must total the amount of all order envelopes and write the receipt number on each order envelope.
   - Return order envelope to school before photo day.

From the team at AdvancedLife Photography.
# Westbreen Primary School

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**Fax:** 9304 1391  
**E-mail:** westbreen.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au  
**Website:** www.westbreenps.vic.edu.au  
**OSHC:** Extend 1300 366 437.

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**School Holidays**

- 13th to 19th
- 20th to 26th

**NOTICES SENT HOME**

- Summer Sport for 14.3.14
- Photo envelopes