Dear Parents & Guardians,

Today we are teaching differently to the way you were taught in order to prepare students for tomorrow’s world. Education needs to be different and dynamic to meet the new and exciting challenges of a fast-changing world. Many of the jobs our children will be doing in the future haven’t even been invented yet.

As parents, I suspect you are interested in knowing even more about how we are preparing children for tomorrow. That is why I would like to draw your attention to a new campaign – ‘Preparing today’s students for tomorrow’.

The campaign features advertising and includes a link to updated content on the Department’s website. http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/default.aspx

While jobs featured in the campaign, such as underwater infrastructure planner, hover train designer and bio dome gardener may sound futuristic, there is a serious message behind them. Jobs are changing and many of our children will work in professions that don’t exist today.

I encourage you to take a look at the new information designed with parents and students in mind.

TOMORROW ~ FRIDAY 29TH AUGUST

Just a reminder that tomorrow we will conclude our celebration of Book Week, Literacy & Numeracy Week by having a Book Character Dress Up Parade between 9.15 and 10.00am. I encourage all students to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. Parents please note that the detail of such “dress up days” is not important, participation is what we all would love to see - so a little colour, the wearing of old clothes hanging around the home, the use of wrapping paper and “odds and ends” in cupboards will all assist in allowing students to feel part of the parade. Special thanks to our Community Involvement Team (Mr Daly, Mrs Monaghan, Mrs Thomson, Mrs Delacoe, Mrs Quinn and Ms Michelle) for organising the fortnight of activities.

THANK YOU TO OUR EDUCATION SUPPORT STAFF

August is Education Support month in Victorian Schools. Westbreen held a special morning tea today to recognise and celebrate the important role these people play in our school. Our Education Support Staff are our business manager (Sharon Davey), office manager (Julie Cox), library technician / Family Engagement Officer (Michelle Brooksby), integration aides (Joanne Youl, Vikki Katelanis, Lee Kenny, Lyn Bishop, Nerida Riddell, Maria Taranto, Kerri Parfett), welfare officer (Maddison Springhall) and canteen manager (Robyn Wilson).

Thank you to all of our ES staff for their support, dedication, hard work and the positive difference they make to our school.
SCHOOL CONCERT ~ TUESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER

Preparations are in full swing for Tuesday night’s Musical Production, “Adventures at Sea!” The musical production will feature our students who will be supported by our School band. From the glimpses of rehearsals I have seen, it promises to be a great show and I am excitedly looking forward to seeing it in its entirety. The children will spend Tuesday at the Clocktower Centre completing their final, at-venue rehearsals. By now, families should have purchased their tickets for the night. For those parents who have yet to purchase tickets they can do so by visiting www.clocktowercentre.com.au

Have a wonderful week

Tony Cerra
Principal

STUDENT OF THE WEEK
WEEK ENDING 29th August, 2014

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JUST A REMINDER THAT SWIMMING PROGRAM STARTS
MONDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER – THURSDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER
All Money owed needs to be finalised by Monday, 8th Sept
FREE COME & TRY NETBALL CLINIC.

Monday 8 September 2014
4.30pm - 5.30pm
Broadmeadows Leisure Centre
Pearcedale Parade, Broadmeadows

- COME AND PLAY NETBALL!
- FUN GAMES AND ACTIVITIES FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN!
- MEET A VIXENS PLAYER!

To register for this FREE event please contact Cassandra Hudson. From beginner to advanced, all playing levels are welcome.
Email: Cassandra.Hudson@netball.vic.com.au
Phone: 03 9521 2237

CONNECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY
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ESO
ESSENDON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
presents

Symphonic Bites

"If music be the food of love, play on" - Shakespeare — "Life is like a box of chocolates" - Forest Gump
— "Take a big bite out of Beethoven" - Essendon Symphony —

Join us for a delicious family event!

Sunday August 31st 2014 - 2:30pm

Tickets: Adults - $15, Concession - $10, Groups 4+ - $10
Clocktower Centre - 750 Mt Alexander Rd, Moonee Ponds

WWW.CLOCKTOWERCENTRE.COM.AU
BOOKINGS: 9243 9191
Bully Zero Australia Foundation: Parents Forum

Our first Parents Forum was held late last term and was well-attended. The issue of keeping your children safe whilst using digital devices is an extremely important one, so being able to hear from experts in this field was a very rewarding experience.

We heard from Oscar Yildiz and Ali Hakim about some of their experiences with cyber-bullying and they answered parents’ questions. The information we got in the two hours was still only “the tip of the iceberg” so we are running another session late this term.

Our next Bully Zero Foundation Australia Parents’ Forum is on Wednesday September 17 at 7:00 p.m. This time it will be led by Oscar Yildiz and Dean McGowan.

Oscar Yildiz has twice been Mayor of Moreland, is a Justice of the Peace, a teacher and a passionate educator for the Bully Zero Australia Foundation. Dean McGowan is a Police Inspector in the Moreland district. Both are very experienced presenters and are heavily involved in educating students and parents about the dangers of all types of bullying – particularly when it involves digital devices e.g. mobile phones, computers.

Hear from the experts, ask the questions you want answered and come away from the evening with a much better knowledge of digital devices and how to protect your child from cyber-bullying.

If you want more information, please contact Karen Wileman on 93069481

Westbreen’s Student Welfare and Engagement Team
Cohealth Dental Clinic

A consent form has been provided to all students for a FREE dental check-up by Cohealth Dental Clinic, at school early in Term 4, 2014. Following the check-up a brief report will be provided to families detailing your child’s oral health and any ongoing care or follow up treatment required. Any further treatment required will be available at any of Co-Health’s sites in Footscray, Niddrie or Kensington, at NO COST to families.

Consent forms are due back by Friday 29th August 2014

Please contact Michelle Brooksby if you require any further information

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE
Time is running out to complete the Premier’s Reading Challenge. There are only 2 WEEKS left. All books must be entered on the computer by Wednesday 10th September. Well done to the 17 students who have so far completed the challenge. However, it is very disappointing that in the five months that the challenge has been running there are still 16 students who have not recorded any books for the challenge. It is not too late for those students to follow our school value of ACHIEVEMENT and record their reading for this year’s challenge. Remember that to complete the Premier’s Reading Challenge children from grades Prep – 2 must read 30 books, of which at least 20 must be Challenge titles. (Children in Prep – 2 can read books by themselves or with someone else, for example, a parent, teacher, brother or sister, another family member or a friend). The children from grades 3 – 6 must read 15 books, of which at least 10 must be Challenge titles.
BOOK PARADE

FRIDAY 29 AUGUST, 2014

Looking forward to seeing all students dressed in their favourite book character costumes on Friday of next week. Please remember to either bring the relevant book with you, or hold a handmade sign with your book name and author displayed.

Please see below, photos of some of Team Westbreen’s book character ideas from last year.
FREE ACTIVITIES - LEGO LEARNERS

The Age Library, Broadmeadows, Thursdays 4-5pm

Have fun learning with LEGO. Children can use LEGO in activities designed to help practise writing, problem solving and develop creativity. LEGO supplied. This is a free service. Ages 6-12

CANTEEN NEWS

Can you spend an hour or two on a Monday to help our students? We are desperately short of help in the Canteen on Mondays. Our Canteen Manager, Robyn Wilson, is by herself on Mondays and would welcome any help she can get, especially between 9:00 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.

Help is welcome on any of the Canteen days.

If you have some time to spare and can help out, pop in to see Robyn on Canteen days or fill in the form below, send it back to school and Robyn will contact you.

Karen Wileman

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I am able to help out in the Canteen on:

Mondays .................................................. Wednesdays .................................. Fridays ..................................

(Please circle your choice/s)

The best time for me is .............................................................

Name .................................................................................. (Please print)

Phone contact ................................................
Weekly recap
This week at After School Care the kids and I made delicious 'Blue Heaven Jelly cups! The kids absolutely loved the taste and enjoyed every moment of it; will definitely be making for in the future. We did cool activities indoors like some Play dough creations and drawings, monopoly games. We all decorated and created our own Recycle Bin for OSHC which the kids and I all worked as a team, well done! We love our sports activities and getting active. It’s great to see the kids at After School Care happy a good time and giving positive feedback. I’m happy to see new faces at the service and welcome to the new kids. Don’t forget to bring your warm jackets for the cold weather kids! Looking forward to seeing you all next week and continue the fun! – Aysun

Our Extend Superstar is...........Patrick L for settling well into After School Care with everyone & using his manners.

Next week’s activities
Monday 03rd September: Indoor sports and Games
Tuesday 04th September: Outdoor playgrounds and fun
Wednesday 05th September: Art & Craft Activities
Thursday 06th September: Making yummy Jelly & Drawings for our ASC Book
Friday 07th September: Fun Free Fridays

Have you ‘liked’ Extend After School Care?
Did you know we have a Facebook page filled with fantastic pictures and information from our services? Find out what your After School Care has been up to or get some great ideas of activities to do at home with the kids. You never know what you might find if you don’t look and like!
Visit: http://www.facebook.com/ExtendAfterCare and make sure to LIKE us!
PARENTS & FRIENDS

Cadbury Chocolate Drive. All chocolate money $50 for the box/unsold chocolates need to be returned by Friday 29th August. All families who sell a complete box of chocolates will go into a draw to win a 4.5 kg block of Toblerone.

Next Meeting of the Parents & Friends Association will be held on Friday 5th September at 2.00pm in the Community Room in the hall. ALL WELCOME.

PREP-GRAGE 2 KITES

A reminder that all kites are due back on Monday 8 September 2014

The kites are part of a family project where families come together to decorate these kites using the theme of our STRIVE and School Values. The kites can be decorated with words, drawings, and stickers, and it is recommended that bright coloured textas be used as they don’t smudge on the special kite fabric. Each student is asked to take a photo of the family working together on the kite project, attach the photo to the decorated kite, and return it to Ms Michelle Brooksby at school.

STRIVE – SUPPORT, TRUST, RESPECT, INVOLVE & VALUE EACH OTHER

RESPONSIBILITY, RESPECT, ACHIEVEMENT, CARE & COMPASSION, CO-OPERATION
A big thank-you to the Westbreen School Community for supporting our 2014 Bookfair, we raised a total of $420.00 worth of books for our Library.

Congratulations to the following students who were the lucky winners of our Bookfair Raffle:

Keira 1/2T
Mini Meat Pies

**Ingredients**

- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 brown onion, halved, finely chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- 500g lean beef mince
- 1 carrot, peeled, coarsely grated
- 25g (1/4 cup) powdered gravy (Gravox Traditional brand)
- 250ml (1 cup) boiling water
- 2 sheets (25 x 25cm) ready-rolled shortcrust pastry, just thawed
- 2 sheets (25 x 25cm) ready-rolled puff pastry, just thawed
- 1 egg, lightly whisked

**Method**

Heat oil in a medium frying pan over medium heat. Add onion and garlic and cook, stirring, for 2 minutes or until onion softens. Add the mince and cook, stirring with a wooden spoon to break up any lumps, for 5 minutes or until mince changes colour. Add the carrot and stir until well combined.

Meanwhile, place gravy powder in a heatproof jug. Add boiling water and whisk with a fork until combined. Add to mince mixture and cook, stirring, for 2 minutes or until sauce thickens slightly. Remove from heat. Cover and set aside for 30 minutes to cool.

Preheat oven to 180°C. Cut the shortcrust pastry sheets into 24 even squares. Line twenty-four 40ml (2-tablespoons) capacity mini muffin pans with the shortcrust pastry squares. Spoon mince mixture among pastry cases.

Cut puff pastry sheets into 24 even squares. Top each pie with a pastry square. Use a small sharp knife to trim excess pastry. Brush tops with egg.

Bake in oven for 20 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from oven and set aside in the pans for 5 minutes to cool.
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**NOTICES SENT HOME**

- **Swimming Grade Prep to 6**
- **Essendon Traffic School Prep - 2**

**Book Fair**

**LITERACY & NUMERACY**

- Swimming P-6
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