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NEWSLETTER 27th October 2022

Principal's Report

World Teachers' Day is being celebrated across Victoria tomorrow, Friday, October 28th. This day provides a chance to recognise and celebrate our teachers for all that they do. On behalf of our school community, I would like to take this opportunity on World Teachers Day to thank all of our teachers at PLPS for their ongoing commitment and the incredible contributions they provide for our students and school community.

At the beginning of the term, we commenced the next stage of our Transition Program for the new Prep students who will begin their schooling here at the beginning of 2023. Over the past few weeks, staff have been conducting assessments to gain a snapshot of the students' readiness for school. The areas covered include fine and gross motor skills, language development and social readiness. Our formal transition sessions will begin on Tuesday, November 15th, whereby students will come along to participate in some sessions during the school day. The students have been invited to participate in two sessions throughout the program.

Next week our year 4 students head off to Woorabinda Camp to participate in their three day camp. Woorabinda is located on the shores of Lake Narracan and is a campus of the Somers School Camp. It is situated on 100 hectares including native bush, open paddocks, wetlands and temperate rain forest. Programs include environmental studies and sustainable practices. Woorabinda offers the opportunity for our students to challenge themselves with a number of outdoor education activities, as well as presenting opportunities that require them to participate as effective and responsible team members. This camp enables our students to put themselves into an environment that encourages them to grow and develop many personal and interpersonal skills and attributes, including resilience and perseverance. It also provides an outstanding opportunity for our children to demonstrate behaviours and attitudes that reflect our school's values in a new environment.

Our students are currently working hard with Ms Lowndes and Ms Bennett to complete their final pieces of art for the PLPS Art Show. We are once again looking forward to staging our Art Show and being able to showcase the students' talents in the arts. Opening night for our Art Show is Tuesday, November 22nd at the Cardinia Cultural Centre. The show will open at 3:30pm and will conclude at 7:00pm.

The program for the evening will include a performance from our choir, a fashion show and announcement of awards. More information will be communicated closer to the date.

Recently, information was posted on Compass regarding the induction process for volunteers at PLPS. We value and appreciate the assistance our parents, carers and grandparents provide us as volunteers within our classrooms, at sporting events and excursions. For all persons interested, please refer to Compass where information for our induction pack can be accessed via the Community Menu (people icon) in the toolbar by clicking 'School Documentation' from the drop-down menu. The induction pack can be completed in your own time. Induction involves reading the policies and documents as outlined in the pack, together with completing the declaration and submitting the form. If you have questions, please call the office for assistance. We thank you in advance for your time and assistance with our varied teaching and learning programs and events.

You may have noticed some construction works in our playground recently. After a long time in the planning, the construction of a purpose-built centre for the Lakeside Pakenham Scout Group has commenced. The building is being constructed in the north-east corner of the grounds. The scouts are looking on with excitement as their new facility is being constructed. There have also been some large poles erected for our shade sail construction. This construction is to provide shade over our new synthetic grass and seating area outside the year 4 classrooms. The shade sail project has been subsidised through a grant application submitted to the Department of Education. The sails have been measured and we are hoping they can be installed before the conclusion of the year.

Yesterday our staff had a very productive day of professional learning, collaborating on various components of their teacher practice. Some of the practices discussed involved the strategies used to facilitate substantive talk within our learning spaces together with the implementation of how responsive teaching strategies can be best utilised for maximal impact for our students' learning.

Kerrie Kingston-Gains Principal

Admin News

DIARY DATES

Monday 24th October - Friday 4th November: Year 1 Swimming Program

Tuesday 1st November: Melbourne Cup Public Holiday (students do not attend on this day)

Wednesday 2nd November: Prep Chesterfield Farm Excursion

Wednesday 2nd November - Friday 4th November: Year 4 Somers Camp

Monday 7th November - Thursday 10th November: Year 5 Beechworth Camp

Wednesday 9th November: Year 2 Pakenham Excursion

Monday 21st November: All Star Girls Basketball Hooptime State Finals (selected students)

Tuesday 15th November & Wednesday 16th November: Year 3 Hands on Science Incursion

Thursday 10th November: Year 6 'Just Like Me' Incursion

Tuesday 22nd November: PLPS Art Show - Cardinia Cultural Centre 3:30pm - 7:00pm



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World Teachers' Day

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Thank you Victorian teachers

LATE ARRIVALS

Parents will receive an SMS alert if their child has been noted as absent from school.

For this reason it is important that every child arriving after the 9am bell <u>must</u> come to the school office to collect a Late Pass to avoid an SMS alert being sent unnecessarily.

Hats

Hats are part of our school uniform in Term 4.

It is strongly recommended that all students have their hats on when they play at recess and lunch time out in the yard.

Please remember to label your hats too!



2023 Prep Enrolments

Enrolments for Prep 2023 are now open.

Enrolment Packs for 2023 can be collected from the school office or by contacting the office on 5940 9532.



ICY POLE FRIDAY

We will be selling lemonade icy poles at lunch time on Fridays during term 4.

Icy poles are \$1.40 each and can be purchased from the Canteen.



Have your say!



Playground Renewal projects 2023 including Creekwood Reserve, Parman Avenue Reserve and The Parkway. Help us choose the final designs and provide your feedback.

Head to:

www.creating.cardinia.vic.gov.au

and click on the playground renewals project

Feedback closes 30 October 2022







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Web: www.cardinia.vic.gov.au







PARENTZONE HUB FAMILIES GROWING TOGETHER



Children's Week Family Fun Event

To celebrate Children's Week, we will be hosting a free event for children 0 to 12 and their families that will engage the senses, capture the imagination, and encourage creative expression.

Date: Friday 28 October 2022

Time: 3.00pm to 5.00pm

Location: ParentZone Hub

75 Army Road, Pakenham

FREE Children's Arts & Crafts Activities FREE Family Fun Activities

Children's Week celebrates the right of children to enjoy childhood. It showcases children's achievements while providing educational experiences for them and their families

FREE Sausage Sizzle







Scan here to check us out on Facebook and to keep up to date with event information

This Children's Week activity is presented by Anglicare Victoria in partnership with the Victorian Government and will be delivered in line with Victorian Government CovidSafe settings.









TOMORROWS

KOO WEE RUP SECONDARY COLLEGE OPEN NIGHT

We invite our 2023 Year 7 Students and Parents to our Information Night and for Pizza and BBQ Thursday 3rd of November from 5pm - 6:30pm, or alternatively please contact the College to book an on-site tour.

For further information, please contact Mr Todd Slater (Assistant Principal) or Ms Yvette Gavalovic (Year 7 Learning Community Leader.)



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Our school aims to provide a quality education for all students:

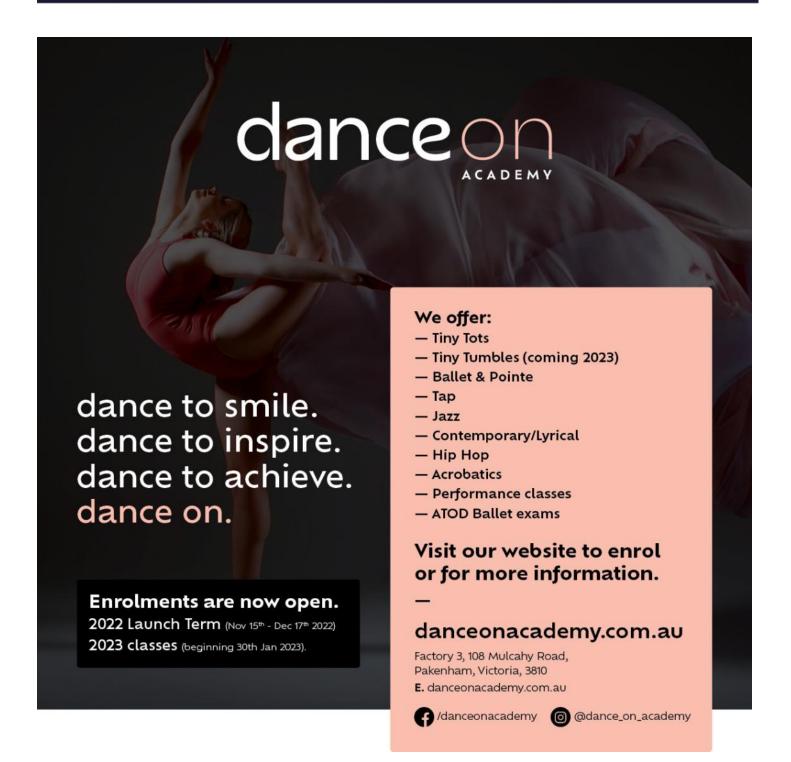
- Friendly, caring environment
- Supportive Learning Communities complemented by a strong House system.
- SEAL (Select Entry Accelerated Learning) Program for aifted students.
- Extensive Sports, Music, Creative and Performing Arts programs
- State of the Art Year Level Learning Centres.
- Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Program.

- Our Learning Communities and facilities.
- SEAL Program application process.
- School Bus Transport.
- Inclusive Education Program.
- Extra-curricular programs provided by the school, including the instrumental Music Program.
- Hear from our students about their school experiences.

TO BOOK AN ON-SITE TOUR:

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Saturday 19th November 2022 11AM – 3PM



780 Princes Highway, Pakenham

Learn about the SES with fun for the whole family!



Free entry



Sausage sizzle



Road crash rescue demonstration



Interactive displays













Is this your daughter?

Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform.

Join us at our NOVEMBER OPEN DAY!









An experience that goes far beyond the stage!

Girls blossom as members of the AGC, both on and off the stage. Your daughter will develop confidence, public speaking and presentation skills, resilience and friendships that will last a lifetime.

Our senior performers have shared the stage with a long list of artists including Hugh Jackman, Army Shark and Christine Anu. You may have seen our girls perform at the National Memorial Service for Queen Elizabeth II, the AFL Grand Final or on the recently released 'I Still Call Australia Home' campaign for Qantas.

Now accepting 2023 enrolments for our rehearsal venues in Berwick, Box Hill, Caulfield North, Cheltenham, Essendon, Glen Waverley, Greensborough, Ivanhoe, Kew, Ringwood and Yarraville.



JOIN US AT OUR NOVEMBER OPEN DAY

Register now at ausgirlschoir.com.au/joinagc or phone 03 9859 6499



