



SOVEREIGN HILL

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On Thursday 9th June all the Grade 4 students travelled back in time to a place where they learnt all about life in the 1850s and the gold rush.

All rugged up, a long bus journey (there and back) and little drizzle did not put a dampener on any of the students' eagerness to explore Sovereign Hill. Students participated in the activities planned, such as going down into the gold mine, watching gold being poured and exploring the resources used in daily life in the 1800s.

Students enjoyed their real life learning experience of things that have been discussed in their classrooms while investigating 'The Land Down Under.'



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DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 13th June – Queens Birthday Public Holiday

Friday 17th June – Interschool Sports

Thursday 23rd June – Grade 6 CSRIO excursion

Thursday 23rd June – Grade 2 Sleep-over

Friday 1st July – Last Day of Term 2

Wednesday 20th July – Grade 6 Camp balance due

Monday 18th July- Swimming Program begins

Mon 1st August-Friday 5th- Grade 6 Canberra Camp

Thursday 18th August – Grade 4 Camp balance due

Thursday 27th October – Grade 3 Camp balance due

Friday 4th November – Grade 5 Camp balance due

MELTON AUTISM/ASPERGERS SUPPORT GROUP

A new group is starting up in Melton for parents and carers of children and young people with Autism Spectrum Disorders.

First meeting: Wednesday 8th June, 4-5pm at Vic Uni, Melton (entry 3 off Wilson Rd then follow the signs)

Following meetings: 13th July, 10th August, 14th September

Childcare available, refreshments provided

Contact: Penny Sharard Mob: 0402 493 520 for more information.

EMA CHEQUES

EMA cheques are ready and waiting for collection at the front office.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY

Parents are reminded that Monday 13th June is a long weekend due to the Queen's Birthday public holiday. Students do not attend school on Monday.

LOST PROPERTY

Lots and lots of lost uniform items arrive in lost property every week. Many of these clothing items do not have names attached and therefore it is impossible to return them to their rightful owners. Please ensure your child's clothing is clearly labelled with their name.

HANDING NOTES IN ON TIME

Despite constant notices in the newsletter about the need to hand permission notes in by the due date, we still get the occasional parents becoming cranky because they handed notes in late but still expect their children can attend. To avoid disappointment, we cannot stress any stronger, the need to hand permission notes in on time. Due to the need to finalise attendance numbers, we do not accept late notes.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Congratulations to all the students who participated in Walk to School Day. A number of students in each class started their morning in a healthy way by exercising to school. Well-done to 5 KJ the winners with having 12 students walk to school!

FAIRYTALE FIASCO

This week the grade Preps were lucky enough to attend the Fairytale Fiasco incursion. The students enjoyed dressing as the different fairytale characters and joined in the fun as they acted out a mixed up fairytale. All students had a wonderful time and it was great to see such big smiles on their faces.



SCHOOL REVIEW

Every four years our school is assessed by an external reviewer as to how we are performing. As in the past, the reviewer has spoken about our school in very positive terms. The following "Conclusion" summarises the reviewer's attitude toward Parkwood Green: - 'The school needs to be recognised and applauded for the achievements that have been realised since the establishment of the new school in 2004. The many very positive features of the school's program and the strength of the results represent major achievements. The leadership, staff, students and the school community have worked hard to achieve the results and they should be very proud of their efforts. There is a strong commitment on the part of the principal and staff to continue to strengthen and develop the school as a successful learning organisation, to support students to develop higher expectations and to promote high levels of motivation and wellbeing. As reviewer, I hope that the inclusion of the recommended goals and the key improvement strategies into the new strategic plan will continue to support the development of Parkwood Green Primary School. I am confident that the school will continue to strengthen across all of the priority areas that have been identified. I wish the school every success with its continuing efforts'.

Bob Neal - School Reviewer - May 2011

UNIFORM SALE

The school will be holding a second-hand uniform sale on Monday, 20th June 2011 at 2.45pm until 3.15pm.

This will be held outside the Library.

Items to be sold include clean second-hand clothes (various sizes) and also some new discontinued items (only large sizes available).

All second-hand clothing items - \$5.00

Discontinued Items - \$10.00

ALL ITEMS WILL BE SOLD AS CASH ONLY.

DICAPRIO'S EXCURSION

On Monday 6th June the Grade 3 students visited DiCaprio's Restaurant as part of their Integrated topic 'Let's Meet To Eat'. The students, teachers and parent helpers had a delicious lunch of pizza and pasta followed by a question and answer session with the restaurant manager. All of the Grade 3 students enjoyed practising exceptional eating etiquette which they have been learning about. The friendly staff at DiCaprio's were blown away by their fantastic table manners and behaviour. Well done Grade 3!

"I enjoyed the food, it was really good!" James luele 3HD

"We ate lots of yummy food!" Leyla Abdelmessih 3HD



BOOK CLUB

By now you will have your book club orders for this Term. Unfortunately there are quite a lot of things on back order. We will get them to you as soon as possible. The Justin Beiber book proved to be very popular but was replaced with a similar one and also a voucher. Thank you for your ongoing support, and so far this year we have been able to purchase 2 new laminators and just over \$2000.00 of resources for our school. Keep up the good work!

Thank you Book Club Co-ordinator

Fiona Hyett.

IMAX & MELBOURNE MUSEUM

On the first of June all the grade 5 students went to IMAX Theatre and Melbourne Museum. Firstly, we went into the museum and looked at the old dinosaur bones and creepy bugs. The bugs were big and small but they were all definitely scary! After that we all had lunch while we spoke to our friends. Next, we walked to IMAX to watch the Human Body movie. When we walked in we were amazed at how big the screen was, the guy that worked there told us that it was the third biggest screen in the world! In the movie we learnt lots of interesting facts such as a baby isn't actually kept in its mum's stomach before birth.

After that we went back to the museum and looked at the Aboriginal exhibit, it was really amusing! Our favourite part was looking at the aboriginal performing clothes. We also looked at the early Melbourne exhibit, it had Pharlap and an Olden Day Theatre. We also viewed the animal exhibit, it was our favourite. We enjoyed the day very much, it was awesome!

By Rhani and Macy.



CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to Lauren Caruso, Nathan Davis, Mathew Cardwell and Thomas Cardwell who all finished in the top 10 of the Western Ranges Division which was held on Wednesday 8th June. All four students will now go on to compete in the Western Metropolitan Regional final to be held at Brimbank Park.





Stars of the Week!

PJB Leyla Islay & Lachlan Busittil
PSK Jordyn Borg & Alyssa Elford
PMC Annabelle Booth & Charles Gruneklee
PKU Marissa Kelsey & 6Noah Baker
PAE Cindy Elmekdessy & Noah Santos
PTL Bryce Grey & Jack Talia
PRC Sienna Dugan & Ayda Salih
PAP Sam Stolzenberg & Maddison Sturzaker
PTR Trae Smith and Sirine Saleh
PKM Gary Barbaro & Cain Lawless
PBK Jesse Rye & Grace Michielin
1FM Leigh Esposito
1LA Ayushi Gummi and Hayley Alldis
1TK Grace Barrientos & Yunus Abaraya
1BR Alysia Melmoth & Miranda Nguyen
1BZ Abby Renwick-Cain & Joshua Hughes
1NW Tia Stamatopolous and Joshua Bogalho
1ST
1BC Zachary Collins & April Gadea
1KY Stefan Hristovski and Matthew Skec
1SI Sachitha Dinessh and Dev Kumar
1BA Darcy Weedon and Nathaniel Hoskin
2CA Brendon Mifsud & Hannah Tsifidis
2LS Elizabeth Zammit and Cooper Purcell
2KC Ronaldo Chang & Indiana Grant
2CM Luke Autelitano and Madeline Bennetts
2JI Mia Coombes & Julian Apostolovski
2NR Ellie Larrad-Hogan & Thomas Kotevski
2CZ **Cameron McDonald & Alessia Cremasco**
2VS **Chiquita Johnson & rayan nasir**
2YL Thomas Berry & Abigail Thomas

2AH Bianca McFarlane & Annaliese Hammond
3CW **Kai Salih and Thaliya Pardo**
3NT Ava Groba and and Omkar Bhavsar
3HD Lara Goetz & Nikita Pradhan
3SM Ethan Burney & Izak Tsoulfidis
3RM Sam Pollino
3LS Rubie Tabone and Joshua Best
3TJ Zac Rook
3RP Armani Steward & Pan Pan Panyathanamongkhon
4AL Emma Partington & Tanaya Aidonidi
4TC
4BH
4CG Marijana Djukic & Nev Waterreus
4ST Reannan Vella & Elyssa Hancock
4DM Gabrielle Hammond & Krishnil Kumar
5SK Shante Neho & Rhani Baskaran
5CT Lachlan Pettigrove
5ML Annalise Wilkie & Shriyans Palle
5KJ Andrew Stoisin
5SB Suzie Trajkovski
5MB Chris Blair and & Dharma Haluska
6DK Dj Roth and Bianca Fastuca
6BK Abbey Tomkinson
6DG Bailey Klrkman and Anthony Danoucaras
6KD Caitlyn Williams and Katha Villanueva
6KM Christopher Kangalis and Lauren Chamberlain
PE 5MB & 5KJ
ICT 2NR & 6BK
MUSIC 2VS, 6DG, 5MB and 1NW
ART

WALKING SCHOOL BUS

The Walking School Bus™ program has been operating at Parkwood Green for many years now. The program provides students with a fun, safe and active way to travel to and from school. Run by dedicated and trained volunteers the buses walk along routes that have been safety audited by the council. The buses are powered with leg power and offer a greener and healthier transportation alternative. To help decongest traffic around the school at drop off and pick up times we want to get more buses running. The success of the program relies on the assistance of volunteers, so if you have a free hour one morning or afternoon a week to

walk with a group of children to or from school we would love to hear from you – more volunteers means more buses! On the other hand, if you are interested in signing your child up with the program or just want to know more, please see Yeliz Latif Room 37 or Simone Iachini Room 25.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (to be returned to the school office or to Yeliz Latif Room 37 or Simone Iachini Room 25)

I am interested in becoming a Walking School Bus™ volunteer. I understand that I will be required to undergo a short training course one morning run by the Melton Shire Council.

Name: _____

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