



**IMPORTANT SCHOOL DATES/FINANCIAL CALENDAR
ABSENCE REPORTING NUMBER 9971 1699**

Thurs 16th June	Grades 3 & 4 Special Lunch Day
Fri 17th June	Grades 5 & 6 Special Lunch Day
Fri 17th June	Everyday Heroes Day Dress-Up Day (Gold coin donation towards Juvenile Diabetes)
Thurs 23rd June	Student Led Conferences - no school
Friday 24th June	Last Day Term 2 - 2:05pm finish
Mon 11th July	Term 3 Commences 8:50am
Wed 3rd Aug	Grade 3 Werribee Zoo Excursion
Wed 17th - Fri 19th Aug	Grade 4 Phillip Island Camp
Mon 29th -Wed 31st Aug	Grade 5 Mt Evelyn Camp
Mon 22nd Aug-Fri 26th Aug	Book Fair - Book Week in Library

TERM 2 WRAP UP

This is our last newsletter for this term, and what a productive term it has been. Students have been busy every day practising their reading, writing, numeracy skills as well as all the other learning opportunities provided at Wedge Park.

Our Grade 3 and 5 students participated in NAPLAN, during the month of May. All students tried their personal best to complete this assessment and we look forward to receiving these results later in the year to add to the comprehensive assessment schedule that our teachers complete in order to get an accurate measurement of our students. Then they use all of this information to develop their programs to meet the learning needs of their students.

We also celebrated Education Week in May. This was a great week to highlight all of the learning that happens at Wedge Park Primary School. During this week, we had our very well attended Family Maths Night, which gathered the community together to celebrate all things Maths related.

This Friday, all students will receive their mid-year report and we will have our Student Led Conferences next Thursday where parents, teachers and students will celebrate the achievements they have accomplished this semester. This is a pupil free day - students are encouraged to attend the conference.

I would like to wish all of our community a safe and happy holiday and remind everyone that school finishes at **2:05pm on Friday 24th June** and we look forward to seeing everyone return safe and well on Monday 11th July.

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded with a 'Principal Award' for May. These students were selected for showing the school values, whilst out in the yard.

Name	Grade
Lilly	Prep K
Leona	1F
Ryder	2M
Isabella	3B
Mandela	4D
Avneek	5L
Luca	6B

WE WANT EVERYONE TO BE SAFE

Drop off times and pick up times around our school gates are always very busy. We need everyone in our school community to work together and follow the rules so that we are all safe.

Recently, I have been very worried about the behaviour of walkers and drivers directly out the front of the school. Students and parents are crossing the road at the incorrect places and not using the crossing. We need everybody to work together to ensure the safety of the school community. **Please use the crossing at all times.**

SCHOOL REVIEW

Every four years School Council contributes to the broad vision and direction for the school through evaluating and diagnosing the school's performance. This is framed through strategic planning which is the process of reflecting on past performance, establishing future directions and deciding what will constitute success. In other words, it involves the school community considering the following questions:

- Where have we been?
- Where do we want to go?
- How will we get there?
- How will we know if we have been successful?

Following consultation with the school community - including students, parents / guardians and staff, School Council will develop a four year school strategic plan that outlines goals, key improvement strategies and expected outcomes based on data and aligned to Department of Education and Training priorities.

The school is inviting your input through:

- Responding to the four questions above in writing, or,
- Volunteering to become a part of a focus group which will work together to answer the above questions.

If you are interested in becoming part of a focus group please email, telephone, or call into the office

and see Lyndal at the front desk.

School Council - School Policies

Many thanks to all of our School Council members for considering our policies on

- Communication Procedures and Schedule
- Smoking Free School
- School Philosophy
- Curriculum Structure
- School Day Structure

These policies were presented to School Council on May 18th, for their consideration. The policies were carefully considered by Council and have been ratified, with some amendments, and are now on the school's website for your information.

The following school policies are also being reviewed and will be considered by School Council at the next meeting. If you have any suggested amendments please submit these to the front office by June 17th. These policies are:

- Administration of Medication
- Anaphylaxis
- Anti-Bullying
- Caring for ill students
- Child Protection
- Child Safe
- Duty of Care
- First Aid
- On-Site Supervision

STUDENTS IN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

A reminder to all parents that Teachers are on yard duty **from 8:40am in the mornings until 3:20pm after school.** Students should not arrive at school unsupervised prior to that time as this creates a safety issue for the child. If you are unable to pick up your child at 3:05pm, please organise alternative arrangements. This may mean contacting OSH Club to book them in for after school care or arranging for an emergency contact to pick them up.

2016 SWIMMING PROGRAM

At the May School Council meeting, we decided that the swimming program for 2016 would not take place this year due to the low numbers last year. Last year only 26% of our Prep - Grade 2 students attended and this caused increased cost to the school and also caused lots of interruptions to the other students learning. At the end of this year we will survey the school community to see what the swimming program might look like moving forward.

SECRET GARDEN NEWS

It's been crazy busy here in The Secret Garden and even though the term is coming to an end, we are still going full steam ahead.

We've had a relaxing meditation Wednesday where kids participated in stretching and breathing exercises along with our very own Mrs Payne. On our thunder Thursday's we have been hosting a small disco which has filled the area with kids of all ages, busting moves and having dance offs (if you don't know what that is, don't worry neither did I).

The weather has been kind and permitted us to complete our Biggest Morning Tea activity. We made daffodils to bring awareness to all the progress the Australian Cancer Council is making to cure such a horrible disease.

Over the next couple of weeks we are bringing back another disco due to popular demand and making more bookmarks. Encourage you children to come visit us in the Secret Garden for more fun activities before the term comes to a close.



Dear City of Melton families,

Djerriwarrh Health Services is seeking views and opinions on how we can improve:

1. **Family access** to child health programs (e.g. Speech Pathology, Occupational Therapy etc.)
2. **Developmental outcomes** for children in the community.
3. **Support for pre-school services** (e.g. kindergartens, day cares, playgroups).

We have capacity to provide more support in the community but **we need your views** and opinions on what is needed for your children.

Please follow the link below to complete the survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FamiliesBOBF>

The survey should take 5 – 10 minutes.

The survey will close Friday 24th June.

Thank you!



WET DAY TIMETABLE GAMES

With the colder, wet weather now upon us, students will be spending more time in the classroom when we have wet day timetables. To help pass the time and keep the students amused, school is in need of pre-loved board games eg: Snakes & Ladders, Chinese checkers, Trouble and Guess Who etc. Also jigsaw puzzles and card games. All donations gratefully accepted.



JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL

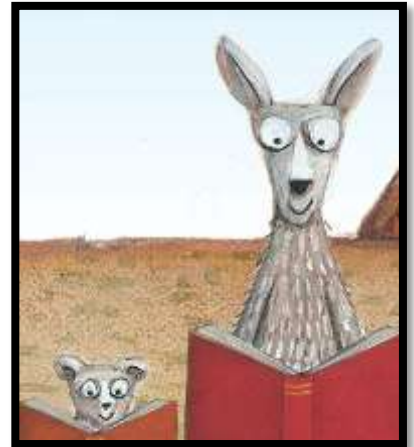
Junior School Council are organising an Everyday Heroes Day on Friday 17th June 2016. We are asking that all students come dressed up as their 'everyday superhero.' This is someone who inspires them to be a better person each day, such as; doctors, nurses, teachers, parents, community service persons, basketball coaches, elite sports people, extended family members etc.

The reason why we are holding this day is to raise money for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) in Australia so please bring along a gold coin donation on the day to support this organisation. For further details about JDRF or if you would like to find out more about Type 1 Diabetes go to <http://www.jdrf.org.au>

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR - CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held during the week beginning Monday August 22nd. The featured theme this year will be the same as The Children's Book Council of Australia, Children's Book Week theme, being:

Australia! Story Country. We hope all students and their families can come along to the Library and enjoy this special event. Mrs. Fleming/
WPPS Library



SECRET GARDEN TALENT SHOW WINNER

First: Chloe and Mikayla 6AB

Second: Chloe, Gemma, Brooke, Mikaylah and Maddison Grade 6

Third: Abiol 1B Brianna / Talia 5MT

MPSSA WINTER SPORT LIGHTNING PREMIERSHIP

The Grade 5/6 T-ball team played in the Lightning Premiership on Friday.

Both the mixed team and girls team played two games. Unfortunately we didn't win any of the games we played but we all played very well and displayed amazing sportsmanship.



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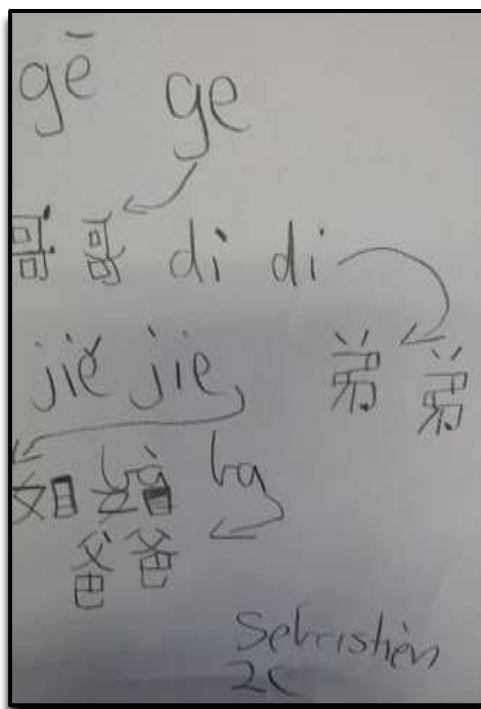
Grade 2 students are working on family topics this term. 2C students have completed their 'Family Tree' and practised characters on family members. Some of their work looks amazing!



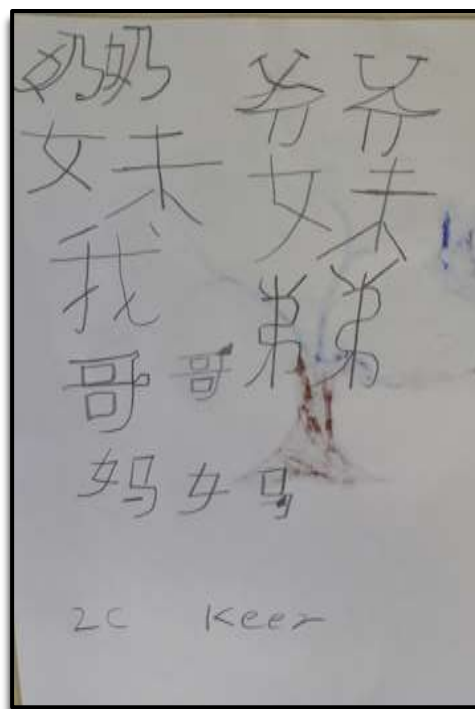
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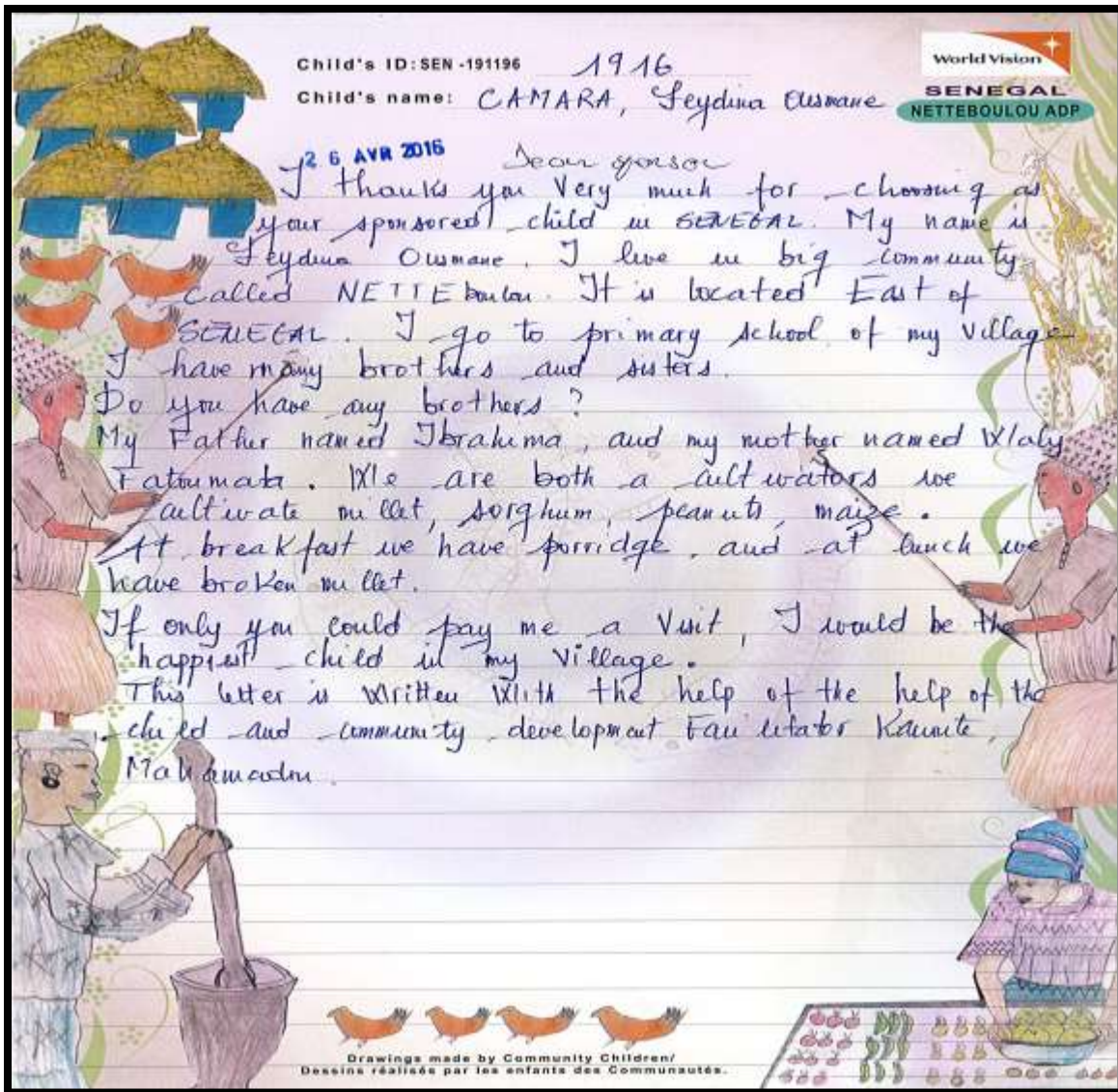


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LETTER FROM OUR SPONSOR CHILD



REACH AWARDS JUNE

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A Tarah

C Brayden

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