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**Jumble Sale Success**
Thank you to all the parents, staff, students and community members, who donated items, helped out with preparation, testing equipment, setting up and packing up on the day or bought items. We raised a wonderful $2050 which will go a long way towards supporting our students. Huge thanks to Kylie Gilson, Michelle Lawrence, Sacha Sullivan, Jane Barnes and Lena Stewart who make up our dynamic Fundraising Committee and coordinated and attended this super event.

**House Athletics**
This year we had fantastic weather for our house athletics and Mr Harris and the House Captains organised a great event. Our students displayed community spirit and had a fantastic time over the course of the day. The House Captains were wonderful in supporting and organising their team members.

Congratulations to the Kingfishers who won the vent for the second year in a row.
Thank you to Mr Harris and all the staff, students and parents who helped out during the day.

**Grade 3/4 camp – Mt Martha Wednesday to Friday.**
We would like to wish our Grade 3 and 4 students and staff a wonderful time on their camp to Mt Martha. They will experience many outdoor education activities that will challenge them, develop independence and interdependence and are great fun. I am looking forward to joining them on Thursday morning.

Have a great time grade 3 and 4.

**Reminder - Premier's Reading Challenge**
We would love each student at our school to participate in the PRC. If you would like to participate in 2013, please visit the office for an entry form. Successful participants will have their name and photo displayed in the foyer, will have their name published in the Age newspaper and will receive a certificate from the Premier.

**Reminder - Easter Hat Parade**
Our annual Easter Hat Parade is back and will be celebrated on Thursday 28th of March at 9.15am. This year our categories are as follows: **Book Inspired, Sustainability/Recycled, Moving parts, Multicultural and Judges Choice.** Every student who participates will receive a small Easter egg and has the potential to win a larger egg if their hat is judged one of the best. Please remember that although we encourage parents to support and help their children to create their hats we would like it to be predominantly student work.

We will have a small parade for toddlers or non-school aged siblings who would like to join in.

**Footy is Back - Mt Dandy Community Footy Tipping 2013 – Free Entry**
The first game is on Friday and this year we would like to involve as many families as possible in our community footy tipping competition. The first prize is a $50 Kmart voucher, second is a $20 Kmart voucher and third place will receive a $10 Kmart Voucher. To enter access the link below and join the MDPS Community Comp. There is no entry fee. We ask that only direct community members join. Please clearly identify yourself in the title of your username so we know who you are.

News and Views...

End of term March 28th
This year Term One ends on Thursday the 28th of March. Students will be dismissed at 2.30pm. Those catching the bus towards Olinda will be escorted to catch the 2.21pm bus. OSHC will be available from 2.30pm onwards.

Thumbs Up To:
- The Hamilton Family who in conjunction with ‘Bills of Belgrave’ donated the sausages for our Jumble Sale Sausage Sizzle
- Julie Charlton who spent the entire day cooking our delicious sausages
- Mick Heron who tested and tagged our donated electrical items
- Deb Milner who bargained with customers for the entire day
- All those who donated items
- All those who helped out on the day
- Our House Captains for their efforts on the House Athletics Day.

Thank you, Michael Leonard and Sue Gibson.

We are also collecting for the Mount Dandenong PS

Easter Raffle

If you have baskets, soft toys, chocolates or anything else suitable for an Easter present, please give it to Julie at the office. Thank you.

House Athletics Results

Last Wednesday the 13th of March students from grades Prep to 6 participated in the House Athletics at Mt Dandenong Primary School. Students competed in their house of Kookaburras, Kingfishers, Eagles or Lyrebirds. All students competed in a sprint, a hurdles event and a team event. All students from grades 3 – 6 also competed in a circular relay or longer distance event out of 200m, 400m or 800m. The fastest sprinters from each age group from each house also competed in a shuttle relay.

Well done to every student who participated on the day. All students gave their best efforts and there were some fantastic performances on the day.

Thank you to all of the staff who did a lot on the day and the parents who helped pack up afterwards. A special thank you also goes to the House Captains and House Vice Captains who were fantastic with their help in preparing their houses for the day and organising and helping out during the event.

The results were as follows:

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<th>House Athletics Champions:</th>
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<td>3rd place: Lyrebirds: 331 points</td>
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<td>4th place: Kookaburras: 307 points</td>
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Congratulations Kingfishers!!!

Ryan Harris, Sport Coordinator.
**OSHClub News**

**Before School / After School Care Program**

Last week at OSHClub we have been making our OSHClub profile book, cooking burritos and some Easter Activities. This week we will be making shamrock good luck leaves for St Patricks Day, leprechaun hats and doing cultural activities which include making flags and venetian masks. We will also be making pom pom chicks and Easter baskets. Keep bringing your recipes for our OSHClub Cooking book!

Come and join in all the fun! We look forward to seeing you at OSHClub! From Lina and Samantha.

### This Week’s Activities - Week 8

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<td>After Care Activities</td>
<td>Tiny Leprechaun Hat for St Patricks Day Soccer</td>
<td>Flags around the world Bowling</td>
<td>Cooking Club! Chocolate Truffles Giants Treasure</td>
<td>Venetian Masquerade Masks Kickball</td>
<td>Easter Baskets</td>
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### Parent Information

Make sure your children bring their hat as: No Hat = No outside play.

Ensure all enrolments are to be signed in and out when your child arrives and is collected at the end of the day.

**OSHC program phone:** 0419915649  
**OSHClub Head Office:** 03 8564 9000  
**Coordinator:** Lina Corrone  
**Assistant:** Samantha Clarke

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.

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Fruity Friday Parent Roster Term 2

Can you spare some time on Friday mornings to join our team of parents who prepare the fruit platters?

It is a great way to get involved with our school and meet other community members. We would like some new parents to add to our roster for about ½ hour to prepare the fruit platters on FRIDAYS. Are you Free?

If you are available to assist, please complete the form below or put your name on the fruit roster at the main office. Please return the reply form to Sue Gibson or Julie Francis at the school office.

Please support us for this healthy initiative.

Thank you, The Junior School Team.

Fruity Friday Parent Roster

Name ................................................................. Phone ......................................................

I am available to assist with the preparation of fruit.

Please circle and or specify special dates (eg weekly, fortnightly, monthly or once a term)

Weekly, Fortnightly, Monthly, Once a term

Wakakirri 2013—93473: Making Contact

Wakakirri is back for 2013!

I would like to offer the opportunity to join our Waka team to any students in Grades 1-5.

Joining the team is a big commitment and is a decision that needs to be made with both the child and parent as it involves lunch time rehearsals, a full day at a competition and then another one if we make it to the finals! There is also a financial commitment to consider.

$45—which covers a T-shirt, costume (which the school keeps), lunchtime rehearsals, bus to the heat and competition entry.

It is also important to know that the tickets to the heat (either 8th, 12th-14th August at Frankston Arts Centre) are approximately $25-$30 each. The finals tickets (if we make it through!) are approximately $35 (held at Hamer Hall on the 13th of September)

We will hire busses to take students to the heat however they will need to go home with a parent (or a friend if parents are not attending).

If this sounds like fun and something you’d be interested in, please collect a permission form from Julie at the Office.

Fun and Rewarding After School Instructional Drawing Sessions

When: Classes begin on Friday, 19th of April 4.30 – 5.30 pm (each week)

Where: Burrinja Cultural Centre crn Glenfern Road and Matson Drive, Upwey, VIC

Cost: $90 for 10 sessions or $10 per occasional session (price includes materials)

Bookings: To confirm enrolment please call Pereena on 0405 235 406
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