

# Newsletter



## Principal Report

Welcome back to school for the final term of the year. We hope everybody had a good break over the holidays. Peter will be absent from school for the next two weeks. I will be in the position of Acting Principal during this time.

Today a number of our Junior students performed at the opening of the final stage of the Australian Garden at the Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne. They have been collaborating with Cameron Semmens, a performing artist to create their own poem which was performed at the opening ceremony. Well done to all students involved.

Our new portable classrooms were delivered over the holidays and are in the process of being fitted out. These are being made ready for us to use at the start of next year.



As we head into summer we would like to remind parents to send in hats for their children to wear at recess and lunch breaks. If you would like your child to wear sunscreen please send in a bottle of sunscreen clearly labelled with your child's name. These will be kept in the classroom and, where necessary, your child will be assisted to apply the sunscreen before going out to play.

The Association for Children with a Disability invites parents and carers to celebrate the launch of **Learning to Lead – DVD and information booklet**, a guide to planning supports for families of children with a disability. The special guest is Andrea Coote, MP, Parliamentary Secretary, Families and Community Services. This will be held on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October from 10.30-12.30 at KPMG, Level 5, 147 Collins St, Melbourne. RSVP by Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October on 9818 2000 or [mail@acd.org.au](mailto:mail@acd.org.au).

Have a good weekend,  
Rhonda Fletcher

# UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	World Teacher's Day
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Cup Eve Hat Parade
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Day
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	World Recycling Week

## Christmas Raffle

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize is a Paddle Board from Trigger Bros 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – 2x One Direction Concert Tickets**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – 2 free passes to the Peninsula Hot Springs & Nepean Country Club Voucher**

This year's Christmas raffle is our best yet.

Tickets will be on sale in early November. Cost will be \$2.00 per ticket or 3 tickets for \$5.00. A small book of tickets will be sent home with every student and more tickets will be available from the office.



## Occupational Therapy

Jane Proctor will be talking about the 'Engine Speed' program that has been running in Hannah's Class 5. Anyone who would like to learn more about sensory processing, and how to help your child maintain a good level of focus, are welcome to attend:

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October, 9:30 after assembly.



# Gardening News

The children picked the first lime from our trees – our first fruit harvest. The children have been out in the garden fertilizing and planting new seeds and seedlings for our spring vegetable garden. This week the entire school has been involved in constructing a new garden in front of the junior pod. Next week we will be learning how to propagate a variety of plants which will be used for planting around the school next year. Work has commenced on the new gazebo for the garden area, which will be followed by a new potting table and a sink to wash our hands.



# Class 1 News

We went and bought chips from Dromana and shared them with our parents in the park.



Class 1 have started swimming this term. Everyone is doing a great job while out in the community.



# Good Choices: Great Life

## Peninsula Specialist College's Term 4 Topic

During this term our students will be completing sessions involving Good Choices, Great Life which includes Drug Education, Healthy Choices and strategies to deal with social issues. This program will be taught to class groups and students will complete activities at their levels.

Some topics being investigated throughout various levels of the school include.

- Healthy bodies
- Recognition of unsafe situations
- Listening to our feelings
- Dealing with peer pressure
- Safety with medicines
- What are drugs? – legal and illicit drugs, saying “NO”
- SunSmart

If you require any information or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at school.



## BE SUN SMART



Put on a Shirt



Put on Sunscreen



Wear a Hat



Wear Sunglasses



Stay in the Shade



SHARE THE SUN SAFE STORY  
WITH YOUR CHILD

### Harold's Healthy Tip of the Week:

**Eat lots of different foods, especially fruits and vegetables.** Maybe you have a favourite food, but the best choice is to eat a variety. If you eat different foods, you're more likely to get the nutrients your body needs. Try tasting new foods and old ones you haven't had for a while. Aim to have at least five servings of fruits and vegetables a day — two fruits and three vegetables. Here's one combination that might work for you:

- at breakfast: a sliced banana on your cereal
- with lunch: carrot and celery sticks
- for a snack: an apple
- with dinner: a small salad of lettuce, tomato and cucumber



Visit  
Healthy  
Harold's  
Site



# Spring in the Art Studio

Hint for Us All: Stop and Smell the Blossoms!



**SPOT THE DIFFERENCE!**



**Spring Mural**



**iPads Seniors**



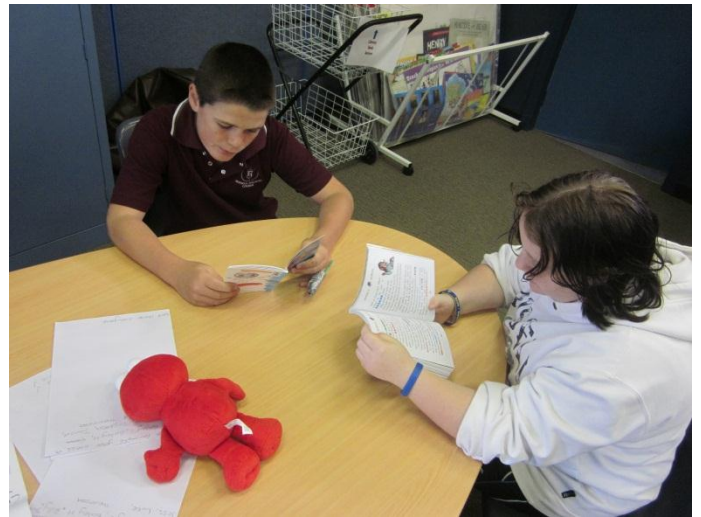
**Father's Day**



**Box Art**

# Class 9 & Library News

Library: Class 9 have been great this semester during their weekly library session. Everyone reads and chooses books on many different subjects. Once everyone has listened to a book, it's time to borrow! Well done class 9!



**Don't forget!**  
**Book Club**  
**orders**  
**are due:**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> October**

# Physical Education

In preparation for our 2012 Bike Camp, our mountain bike team have been in training with Dromana College's mountain bike team. Bike soccer was a great warm up and everyone is learning heaps from Mr Wale and the secondary college students.

