



PRINCIPAL REPORT

Hi everybody,

Thank you for the great response to the call of nominations for the Peninsula Specialist College Council. The number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies in the Parents Category and therefore a ballot will be conducted. You will receive relevant ballot papers in the near future.

I would like to remind parents/guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance, that you are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport cost. Parents/guardians can purchase insurance policies from commercial insurers. Also, the DEECD does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property.

John Murray, a Koori Engagement Support Officer from the DEECD, visited our school and gave a presentation to our senior students and all staff about the very exciting 'Learning Stone' initiative. The Learning Stones project is designed to create an indigenous cultural safe space for awareness and community participations of indigenous and non-indigenous students in our schools. 'Yulendj Laang' is the name for 'making connections' for the Learning Stones that Auntie Fay Muir, an aboriginal elder from the Boonwurrung people, suggested to the school community. You can read more about this initiative at <http://www.learningstones.com.au/>.

Andrew Laidlaw, a well-known and recognised garden designer, visited the school recently to support the school community in developing a plan for a sensory garden within our school grounds. Andrew met with staff and students representatives to support the development of a draft plan for this exciting project. This project is being financially supported by the Britney All Smiles Foundation.

The campaign to recycle your old mobile phones to help the gorillas in the wild is off to great start and Emma and Randall are hoping that you will continue to support this great initiative by Zoos Victoria. Keep your old mobiles coming! You will find further information at www.zoo.org.au/calling_on_you.

The newsletters are also available via our Peninsula Specialist College website. Please go to the website and have a look at www.peninsulaspecialist.vic.edu.au

Have a great weekend
Peter

Events

March

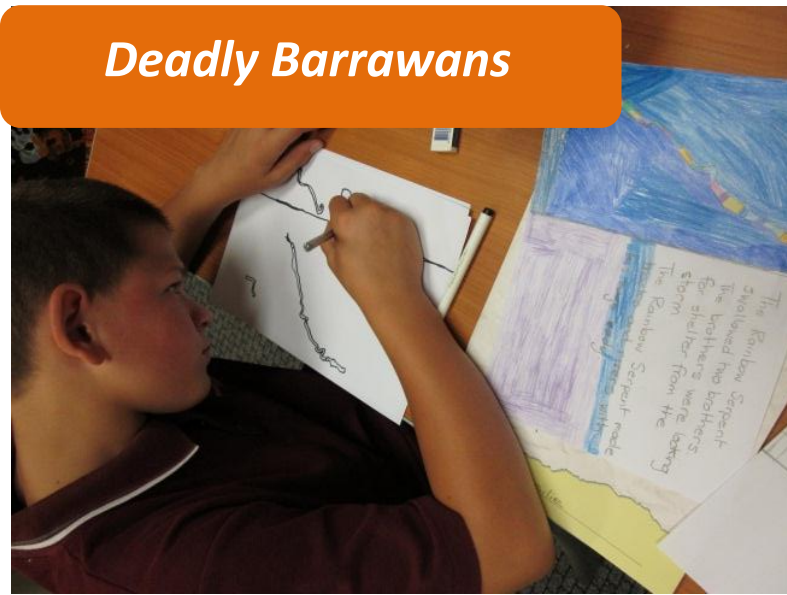
Friday 7th March
PSC Swim Carnival

Monday 10th March
Labour Day
Public Holiday

Please make other
arrangements for your child.



Deadly Barrawans



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Class 3



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Class 1

The children in Class 1 are enjoying their swimming Program at Somerville YMCA every Thursday. They're developing their confidence in the water this term and love to splash or just chill out!

They also had fun making tasty quesadillas in Cooking Class. Brandon rolled out the dough to make the tortillas and Bianca helped Gen measure out the ingredients.



Class 5



Our class 5 has had lots of fun in the kitchen with Genevieve. For most students this is their first year in the kitchen. Students learnt about the cooking program routines; hand washing, aprons and hats on and safety in the kitchen. Not to mention the delicious hot chocolates and homemade tortillas....YUMMY! Well done everyone.



Class 9 & 10

On Monday 24th February Classes 9 & 10 went to the First Settlement Site at Sullivan bay, Sorrento and the Quarantine Station at Pt Nepean, Portsea. We learnt many facts about Lieutenant-Governor David Collins and his early party of explorers. At the memorial we read stories about the lives of aborigines and early settlers.

The Quarantine Station at Pt Nepean, Portsea was very interesting. We explored the Quarantine Museum and found it a fascinating and exciting place to investigate!

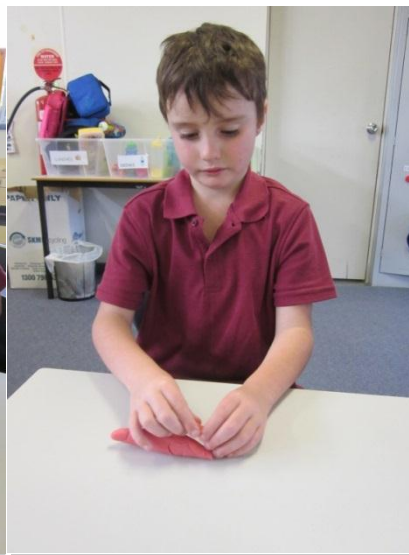


Class 4

We have been very busy in Class 4. We are learning letters of the alphabet using the Handwriting Without Tears program. It is lots of fun!



Riley made the letter L with playdough, and then made an amazing lizard!



Brody was making a long snake to begin the letter L!



Jai was getting ready to roll!



Zane can make the letter L, using magnetic strips!



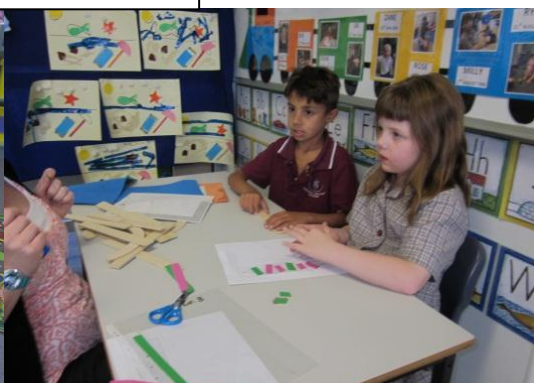
Rose was concentrating really hard to do some fantastic writing in her Workbook.



Ryan worked hard writing in his workbook to produce great writing!



Ben and Riley were busy on the Handwriting Without Tears app.



Milly and Dean used Wood Pieces to make the letter L.

School Captains

Congratulations to the following students who have joined our student leadership team for 2014. Randall

School Captains	
Emma Davis-Arthur	Randall Bickerton
Vice Captains	
Jess Magookan	Blake Cumming
Sports Captains	
Georgia Flanagan	Jesse Kelly

These Students received their badges and a certificate at this weeks' assembly – Well Done!!!



Cooking



Jasmine thinks we had an 'egg-cellent' start to cooking.



Art

REQUEST

If parents and students could collect any reusable containers, cardboard packaging and tubes to bring to school for construction it would be greatly appreciated.

