WHAT’S ON?

**February**
- Fri 22: Interschool Sport Vs CHPS
- Tue 26: Japanese Day
- Thur 28: Student Banking Day

**March**
- Fri 01: Interschool Sport Vs Great Ryrie
- Fri 08: Interschool Sport Vs Holy Spirit
- Mon 11: Labour Day Public Holiday
- Mon 19: Student Banking Day
- Thur 28: Division Swimming

Principal Awards

- Rachael P - 1/2D
- Codi C - 1/2M
- Austin D - 1/2O
- Matthew W - 1/2J
- Caitlin F - 1/2P
- Daisy C - 1/2S
- Xavier H, Tom G. - 3/4A
- Elise W, Tyson E - 3/4B
- Lochie O - 3/4M
- Kent G - 5/6P

Principal Report

**PARENTS ASSOCIATION**

We had a very successful Parents Association meeting on Monday, with lots of events in the pipeline for the year pre-planned. There was also much discussion of new events, both fundraising and social. The first new event will be the roller skating party coming up in March. It is wonderful to report that we have two new PA coordinators in Georgie Gowling and Shona Booth. Georgie and Shona both have children in Junior School and/or Prep. We look forward to them encouraging lots of new faces at the PA meetings and functions. Please say hi when you see them in the school yard (and perhaps offer your assistance!).

**WEBSITE & NEWSLETTERS & FACEBOOK**

More updates available on the website, with new photos and more. I have been changing the structure of the website around so that it is hopefully easier to access things. I often hear of people not knowing of things happening because they didn’t read it in the newsletter, so we will try and make that easier for everyone with more links in the email that notifies you of the newsletter. The website Newsletter section also contains the first area newsletters of the year. There is a great deal of great information about curriculum/classroom programs and administrative “stuff”!

Don’t forget to ‘like’ us on Facebook to get information before it hits the newsletter. I also post photos of events around the school – some of these photos end up in the newsletter as well, but not all! For example today I will be posting some photos of Senior School and Prep activities.
SCHOOL COUNCIL
We had our first School Council meeting on Tuesday night, with long discussions about a variety of issues. School Council oversees a number of school functions. All community members are welcome at the meetings, although only School Councillors have voting rights. Issues that affect the functioning of the school can be referred to any of our School Councillors or to me. Issue that relate to individual students or the daily organisation of the school should be brought to me, Sue or classroom teachers.

Our School Council is made up of the following elected people: Parent Reps Leanne Rhodes (President and Treasurer), Brenton Stokes (Vice President), Andrea Carydias, Kelly Gersh, Lisa Owen, Melissa O’Connor, Michelle Gellatly, Michelle Hudson and new members Shannon Newman and Sue Gamble (pictured below). Staff reps are Sue Dean, Shane Harrop, Chris Turner and Jacquie Durik. My role is as Executive Officer.

PERFORMING ARTS COSTUMES
Anyone who has attended one of our wonderful Middle or Senior School performances over the past few years could not help but to be impressed by the quality of costumes. Most of those costumes have been made by one of our wonderful grandparents Eileen Lafontaine. This is a big job, and Eileen and Jacinta O’Leary would greatly appreciate any support. This year we would like to get more involvement from parents or grandparents who could assist in making these costumes. We only require time – all materials supplied! Please leave your name (or dob in a grandparent!) at the office if you can assist, even in a small way!

ENROLMENTS FOR 2014
If you know of anyone with a child at Kindergarten this year, please let them know that they can book a tour at any time, however most of these personal tours will occur in Term 2.

PERSONAL PROPERTY AND INJURIES AT SCHOOL
The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development has requested that the following information be conveyed to parents.

Personal Property
- Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises.

School Injuries and Insurance
- Parents and guardians are generally responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs. Most medical costs will be refundable by Medicare. If you are a member of an ambulance or health insurance fund, you may also be able to claim transport or other expenses from the fund.
- The Department of Education and Training does not hold accident insurance for school students.

Other school-specific insurance is available through the commercial sector which provides accident insurance policies for students. These policies provide specific benefits for students who are injured in accidents for a reasonably low cost.

Assistant Principal Report
eSmart Program
Warranwood has registered with the eSmart program. This will be a three year process working on bullying, cybersafety and positive social programs. The program provides opportunities to audit and enhance our current programs. Please read the article attached to the newsletter.

Sue

From the Office
School Photos - School photo envelopes went home recently. There is an envelope for each child which must be completed and returned to school. Parents can pay for all of their children’s orders in one envelope. The third and subse-
quent children are free. **Payment is required for the first two children only in the family.** However each child requires their own envelope on photo day to ensure their order is placed and processed.

Payments can be made by cash, cheques or money orders only. Online payments can be made through their website www.msp.com.au using credit/debit cards from Master card or Visa. The website will display an order reference code, which should be noted on the back of the envelope in the box provided. Each child will require their empty envelope on photo day. Orders can be placed online up until photo day.

Family photo envelopes are available for collection at the office.

**Single Parent families**, handing in multiple order envelopes (spare forms are available from the office) is not a problem but if this is the chosen method, it may be worth having them labelled as “Mum's copy” or “Dad’s copy”.

Any further issues, MSP are happy to assist you on 9466 7331

Trish and Pauline

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**Summer Interschool Sport**

Warranwood PS Vs Croydon Hills PS on Friday, 22 February starting at 9.30am

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**YEAR 5 TAIKO DRUMMERS ANNOUNCED!**

The Year 5 Taiko group has finally been selected. It was a long and difficult process as we had over 45 enthusiastic students audition for 20 places. I was very impressed with the standard of drummers this year! Congratulations to all students who tried out for the Year 5 group, they are now on the shortlist and may be asked to join if a member gives up their position. Due to the current AEU bans the Year 5 Taiko group will not be running until further notice. However we are of course hoping to get started as soon as is possible. Thank you to both students and parents for their patience!

Tanya

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**Japanese Day is on Tues 26th Feb**

It is a dress up day! Please talk to your child about a Japanese costume they could wear e.g. Karate outfit, ninja costume, Hello Kitty T shirt, Kimono (dressing gown with wide belt) If you are unable to make/find a costume please send your child in red & white colours to represent the flag. There will be a whole school parade at 9.05am on the day with prizes awarded to the best dressed in each grade. Please come along to watch our parade and be part of the fun!

Don't forget to order your child’s sushi lunch!

Looking forward to a great day.

Tanya – Japanese Coordinator

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**Uniforms**

Please make sure you place your winter order (including TUNICS) by next **Monday February 25th** so I can send it off to the supplier. You don't have to pay until pick up.

House Captain/Vice Captain polo orders went home yesterday. Please return ASAP **Tuesday February 26th** at the latest. Any queries please let me know.

If you have a size 6 or 8 tunic to sell please send them in with your name and phone number and I will try and sell it for you.

Jill – Uniform Coordinator
Premiers Challenge for Active Families 2013
Join the Premiers Challenge for active Families 2013 and be in for the draw to win $350-$1000 worth of vouchers from Rebel Sport. Just do 30 minutes exercise with your family for 30 days ....be into it to enjoy it Go to www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/challenge
Gay - Health Centre

District Swimming

11 year old relay team which were narrowly beaten in the 4 x 50 freestyle event.

Congratulations to Warranwood’s team of 25 swimmers who competed at our District sports last Monday. Some students had competed many times before and others in the 9/10 year olds section for the first time. The 11 and 12 year old girls again performed incredibly well and won nearly every event. These sports give individuals and relay teams a chance to race against other schools and to try and progress through the various levels all the way to the State Championships; there is no scoring system or winning school.

Congratulations to the entire team on their terrific results and especially to the young students who gained valuable experience:

Good luck to the following students who will swim in the Division Sports on February 28th.

District Tennis
Good luck to Liam B and Ryan H when they represent our school at the District tennis trials on Monday.

Birthday Parties at Action Indoor Sports - If a family is planning to have a children’s birthday party at Action Indoor Sports Centre, Ringwood please see me to collect a discount voucher. I have one.
Rod - Sport Coordinator

Cyber Safety
Senior School students started their Cyber Safety program as part of our wellbeing focus. Students will be looking into how to stay safe online, internet netiquette, the advantages and disadvantages of social media as well as taking action if they know cyber bullying is taking place. Listed below are examples of pledges from 5/6 CT on how they want to operate in the future when dealing with social media.
‘If I have a social media account I will always put my account on private so only people I know can see what I post. Whenever someone asks to follow me I will only accept their request if I know them personally. I will also be very careful with what I post and that I don’t give away too much information. I will always look out for my friends!’ Izzy V

‘If I had a social media account I will always set my privacy settings on the highest amount. I’ll make sure I know everyone that adds me and if I don’t I will simply ignore their request. I’ll make sure my friends have privacy activated on their account. If someone is being bullied, I’ll do my ultimate best to help them’. Will P

‘If I had a social media account I will always make sure that my privacy settings are on and I only add my friends. I will also include the friends that I know and I will respect them. In a positive way I will always look out for my mates’. Jackson B

Please be sure to discuss as a family the pledge for Cyber Safety in 2013.

**Canteen News**

**WEDNESDAYS**  - A reminder that canteen is closed for lunch orders on Wednesdays. Over the counter sales of drinks, icy-poles and snack items will be available between 1pm and 1.30pm during Term 1.

**SUSHI DAY ON JAPANESE DAY** - Order forms for this day need to be returned to school by tomorrow **Friday February 22nd**. Sushi orders will be on a prepaid basis only.

**NEW CANTEEN MENU AND PRICE LISTS** were distributed recently. I am still receiving many lunch orders with last year’s prices. I will have no option but to start issuing invoices for any shortfall. Additional copies of the new price list can be obtained from the canteen. The school website has also been updated to include the new menu.

**PARENTS WISHING TO ASSIST WITH CANTEEN DUTIES** - Thank you to everyone who has offered to join our canteen roster. Please keep these forms rolling in. As I receive your form I will contact you to arrange a suitable time to start canteen duties.

**ROSTER FOR THE NEXT 3 WEEKS**

**February 2013**

| Fri   | 22 | Tania Ellard, Sam Ireland, Liz McGinley |
| Mon   | 25 | Melinda Peatling |
| Tue   | 26 | Matoula Gatsoulis, Sushi Day - Di Jelinek, Jenny Brown, Trish Perry and Joanne Kinnane |
| Wed   | 27 | CANTEEN CLOSED |
| Thu   | 28 | Judith Trigt |

**March 2013**

| Fri   | 01 | Shauna McIntosh, Cara Mooney, Jodie Oakley, Connie Panagiotopoulos |
| Mon   | 04 | 😊😊 |
| Tue   | 05 | Vanessa Allsop, Deb Sandilands |
| Wed   | 06 | CANTEEN CLOSED |
| Thu   | 07 | 😊 |
| Fri   | 08 | Lisa Owen’s team |
| Mon   | 11 | LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY |
| Tue   | 12 | Jo Aikman, Mel Farmilo |
| Wed   | 13 | CANTEEN CLOSED |
| Thur  | 14 | 😊 |
| Fri   | 15 | Leigh Church, Lisa Marshall, Kerryn Naismith |

😊 Canteen Vacancies

If you are able to assist on one of these days or if you are unable to attend canteen duty on the day you are rostered, please contact me during canteen hours (9:30am-2:30pm) or after hours on 9876 1288 or mobile 0413 370 898. Thank you.

**Rosemary**

**Wellbeing at Warranwood**

As teachers have the opportunity to meet and discuss student needs with parents at Get to Know You Interviews, many conversations focus on strategies and practices to assist our students in taking positive risks in their learning and in coping when things don’t go as planned. Assisting our students to face up to and cope with the fear of, “what if this happens?”, is a crucial personal development step. This week I have included an article from Michael Grose that explores ways to assist children become more resilient and allow them to face their fears. Please read the suggested strategies and implement the ones that you feel are relevant and appropriate for your child’s situation and needs.

Shane Harrop - Wellbeing Coordinator
Help Kids Face Their Fears
Navigating fear is part of growing up. It’s important to remember that fear decreases (and sometimes disappears) with positive experiences.
By Michael Grose
All kids experience fear at some stage. Many fears are normal and developmental, such as fear of separation, fear of the dark and fear of new situations. Other fears – such as fear of the dentist, fear of new social situations and fear of dogs – are more individual. They are often learned, or occur due to a bad experience. Author Gisela Preuschoff, in her book Raising Girls, describes a recent longitudinal study that showed how girls are more fearful than boys. The physical signs of fear, including increased heart rate and enlarged pupils, are greater in girls than boys. As androgens (male hormones) have a calming effect, boys show less fear. Jerome Kagan, Professor of Psychology at Harvard University, believes that excessive fear in girls is related to overprotective but well-intentioned caring they receive from parents and carers. It’s been noted that many parents allow boys to take more physical risks than girls, and have different views of danger for each gender.

Fear is okay
Navigating fear is part of growing up. Fear plays an important role. It makes us cautious and causes us to prepare for a new or risky situation. The preparation may be physical (“I’ll walk on the other side of the street to avoid that mean dog.”) or psychological (“I’ll be brave when I visit the dentist!”). Sometimes normal, healthy fears are confused with anxiety. Fear is unhealthy if it overwhips kids, dominating their thinking and behaviour, or if it paralyses and prevents them from participating in everyday life. Fear is normal if it makes them wary but is not overwhelming.

Fears need to be faced
It’s important to remember that fear decreases (and sometimes disappears) with positive experiences. Walk past a scary dog without being bitten often enough and you’ll learn that it’s not so scary after all! Give enough talks at school and kids will wonder what all the fuss was about.

Scaffolding is one way to help kids beat their fears. That is, if they are fearful of going into a new situation on their own, go with them for a short time, then find an excuse to leave once they have settled. Alternatively, leave them to spend just a short time in an unknown situation at first. Increase the time as kids get used to the situation. Scaffolding beats avoidance and helps overcome fear.

Validate your child’s fears but let them know you have faith that they will be able to face them. Point out that they have conquered fear before – when they rode a bike for the first time, gave a talk, slept on their own with the light off for the first time – and they can do so again.

Other ways to help kids be brave and reduce their fears:
1. Increase their physical skills. Increased physical confidence comes when children explore and learn to control their bodies.

Gymnastics and martial arts are two activities that give boys and girls greater physical confidence.
2. Teach them how... Parents protect kids best by teaching them how navigate new situations rather than by preventing participation. Teach kids how to hold a knife, how to walk home from the park safely on their own, and how to climb a tree and get down again.
3. Teach kids simple relaxation techniques. Babies learn to self-soothe by sucking their fingers. Older children use other relaxation methods ranging from deep breathing, singing and self-distraction by, say, reading a book or listening to a story.
4. Show confidence and hope. Kids often take their cues from their parents, so if you want your child to be brave then you need to be brave too. I’m not suggesting you be dismissive of real fears, but your confidence and reassurance can really help when kids have to face their fears.

University of New South Wales Testing
Please see the back of this newsletter for details. The return date for all forms is Friday March 22nd.
Program Update

Our theme this week has been Rainforests. We have put up some vines, made a treasure map looked at rainforest animals, created our own forest, made curly birds & ants.

We made up some new play dough in bright colours which has proved very popular with everyone. We are all looking forward to starting Lacrosse on Thursday and we will continue on with tennis as part of our AASC.

Please book or cancel your child in so we know they are coming and can organise the right number of staff. BOOK AND CANCEL ON LINE TO AVOID EXTRA FEE if its within 24hrs ring the program direct 0411 656 031. Please book children before 9am on the day attending to guarantee a place.

Next week’s goal is : Do something nice for someone.

Next week’s Activities

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Parent Information

WARRANWOOD OSHCLUB program phone: 0411-656-031

Coordinator: Jill Hansen

Assistants: Robyn Hansen, Hannah Cantwell, Lisa Fell, and Stephanie Parsons.

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember enrolment is Free!! Please create an account online at 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.
PREP TO GRADE 6 FAMILY DISCO
WARRANWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL
FRIDAY 22\textsuperscript{nd} MARCH.
6.30 - 8.30PM

Adult Spectators are FREE
Adult Entry and Skate/Blade Hire - $10

Cost per child includes:
Skate Hire or Blade Hire
Choice of Hotdog or Chips
A Drink, a Lolly bag
and an Icy pole
All for $16.50

VICTORIAN SKATING CENTRE
Address: 34 Industrial Park Drive Lilydale 3140
Email: vicskate@optusnet.com.au
Phone: 9735-5888
Fax: 9735-2335
Website: www.vicskate.com.au

Family Name: ___________________________ Grade of Youngest Child ____________

Number of Children Skating ($16.50 each) ____________ Sub Total $ ____________
Number of Adults Skating ($10.00 each) ____________ Sub Total $ ____________
Total $ ____________

Number of Children having Hot Dogs __________
Number of Children having Hot Chips __________

Payment Method: ☐ Bankcard ☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard
Card Number: ____________
Expiry Date: ____________
Name on Card: ___________________________ Signed: ___________________________

RAFFLE AND PRIZES ON THE NIGHT

Please Bring Socks

TO BE PART OF THE FUN PLEASE RETURN YOUR FORM BY
FRIDAY 15\textsuperscript{TH} MARCH 2013
Ringwood Secondary College

2013 Tour dates

College tours will commence on Monday, 4 March through till mid-May. They will take place on most weekdays commencing at 9.10 am.

There will be one Saturday morning tour on 4 May, commencing at 9.30 am in the College Library

All tours will last approximately 90 minutes

Bookings are essential
Please contact the College on 9870 2002 to reserve a time
Tours depart from the Link Corridor adjacent to the General Office

2013 Information Night
Thursday, 2 May - 6.45 – 8.30 pm

Information sessions for Grade 6 families will be held in the College Hall at 7.00 pm (repeated at 8.00 pm)
Disability services

Spectrum Connections

What is the program?

Spectrum Connections is an Autism Spectrum Disorder family support group that provides an environment for families or carers of an individual with an Autism Spectrum Disorder to meet and support each other. The program aims to:

- empower individuals to be involved in the decisions that affect their lives
- encourage individuals to develop knowledge, skills and support systems that contribute to and enhance community life
- sustain individuals to establish overall living, working, and learning goals consistent with their own cultural values
- value individuals as educators as well as learners
- monitor and evaluate outcomes and make recommendations that promote change and progress
- acknowledge and celebrate success, and build on success and innovation.

How is the program delivered?

The program provides fortnightly and monthly meetings. These meetings are held:

Spectrum Connections Maroondah - monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month during school terms at Chirnside Park Community Centre, Kimberley Drive, Chirnside Park. Meetings are held from 10am - 12pm. The meeting dates for 2013 are 21 February, 21 March, 18 April, 16 May, 20 June, 18 July, 15 August, 19 September, 17 October, 21 November and 19 December.

Spectrum Connections Knox - monthly meetings are held on the 2nd Friday of each month during school terms at Coonara Community House, 20 Willow Road, Upper Ferntree Gully. Meetings are held from 12.30-2.30pm. The meeting dates for 2013 are 8 February, 8 March, 10 May, 14 June, 9 August, 13 September, 11 October, 8 November, and 13 December. Spectrum Connections Knox is jointly funded by Care Connect and Knox City Council.

Program delivery aims to:

- create a support group for families and/or carers.
- increase resilience and self-esteem in children with an Autism Spectrum Disorder and their families and/or carers.

Who will be delivering the service?

A qualified Care Connect Case Manager or facilitator will deliver the program. The support group is self-directed in relation to the engagement of guest speakers and discussion topics. The group aims to be honest and open.
RUGBY LEAGUE has arrived in the Eastern Suburbs!

Registration Day

Sun 3rd & 17th March
10 am - 1 pm
Colchester Reserve, Boronia

Boys & Girls: 6-16 yrs
Fees from $80 inc. Uniforms & Storm Membership
(EFTPOS Available)

www.easternraptors.com.au
Footy’s Back!

Croydon Hills Auskick

Registration day

2nd March

Where: Lipsombe Park
Kirtain Drive, Croydon North
(Behind McAdam Square)

Time: 9:30am - 11:30am

Clinic start Saturday 16th March
Preps & Grade 1  9:00am - 10:00am
Grade 2, 3 & 4    9:00am - 10:30am

Further Information Please Contact:
Angela James 0423 215 725
Steve Green 0400 424 406

WE NEED PARENT HELPERS
COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

AFTER SCHOOL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR 2013
PARISH OF ST GERARD AND ST ANNE, PARK ORCHARDS/WARRANDYTE

We extend a warm invitation to primary aged children to attend after-school religious education classes based on the Catholic Tradition.

Children will learn about the Catholic faith in a friendly and encouraging environment. Those wishing to be involved in the Parish Sacramental Program (Confirmation and Reconciliation) begin with enrolling in these classes.

The program will be at St Gerard’s, McCulloch St. Warrandyte, on Wednesdays 4 – 5pm, during school terms.

Enrolment Day is Wednesday 27th February 2013, from 4 - 4.30pm at St Gerard’s. Classes will commence on Wednesday 6th March 2013

Enrolment fees, payable on February 27th are: Family - $50 for the year

If you have any questions about this program, please feel welcome to contact Ana Saro (coordinator) on 9876 1509 (Parish Office) or email at parkorchards@cam.org.au.

We look forward to meeting and welcoming your family!

BASKETBALL CLUB
‘WHERE CHAMPIONS BEGIN’

We invite you and your family to join our family oriented Club to play junior domestic basketball in a fun, friendly & safe environment.

Winter Season commencing April 2013.
Enthusiastic and experienced coaches.
Boys & Girls U7 & U8 through to U21 Youth Teams available.
Our club caters for all levels from beginners to experienced players wishing to extend their basketball abilities.
U7 &U8 Miniballers DO NOT PAY registration fees for first season.

For more details contact: www.sebcsaints.com.au or Coordinators
Jackie Lee 0400 667 911 (Boys)  Ann McCann 0409 029 610 (Boys)
Leanne D’Ortenzio 9722 2292 (Girls) Debbie Thomas 9726 5327 (Girls)
Nth Ringwood Junior Football Club

Are looking for players in the

**U12 Age Group**

We will be fielding 2 teams at the U12 level
And are looking for new players to join
Our Premiership winning group of boys.

*Free Footy Bag, Socks and Shorts for every new Registered Player.*

Coaches have been appointed and Pre-season has started at
Croydon Hills Primary
Tues & Thurs 4:30 – 6:00

Contact Leon Hatton 0409951160

“GO SAINTS”
Dear Parent

Welcome to the 2013 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS). For over 30 years, ICAS has taken place annually in schools throughout Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, Brunei, the Pacific Region and South Africa. Your child is invited to participate in ICAS in 2013.

ICAS provides an opportunity for all students in Years 3 to 12 to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external testing situation. It provides teachers, parents and students with comprehensive reporting of results in the areas of Computer Skills, English, Mathematics, Science and Spelling. The tests are an excellent preparation for national tests and the student report is useful for highlighting your child’s strengths and weaknesses.

All students receive a certificate and an individual student report indicating which questions they answered correctly and their score compared with the rest of the students tested. The certificate and individual student report are also suitable for your child to include in a portfolio.

Certificates are awarded for each year level as follows:
- High Distinction to the top 1% of entrants
- Distinction to the next 10% of entrants
- Credit to the next 25% of entrants
- Participation to all other participating students.

A UNSW medal is awarded when the highest score in each year level in each state in each subject is judged to be sufficiently meritorious. Students must sit on the official sitting dates to be eligible for a UNSW medal.

The entry fee per student is as follows:
- Computer Skills – week of 21 May 2013 ($8.80 GST inclusive)
- Science – week of 5 June 2013 ($8.80 GST inclusive)
- Spelling – week of 18 June 2013 ($12.10 GST inclusive)
- English – week of 31 July 2013 ($8.80 GST inclusive)
- Mathematics – week of 13 August 2013 ($8.80 GST inclusive)

Please return the permission slip and entry fee by: [Insert School’s closing date].

Your child can now prepare for ICAS and other skills-based tests with EAA’s new Practice Online series. Practice Online is a series of ten interactive online tests designed for school children in Years 3-12 developed by our team of subject experts. Each child that participates receives a comprehensive individual report detailing their overall results and their performance in each area assessed. Practice Online is now available for Mathematics and will soon be available for Science and other subjects.

For more information please visit the Educational Assessment Australia website at www.eaa.unsw.edu.au or contact Customer Service on (02) 8344 1010 or by email at info@eaa.unsw.edu.au

Yours sincerely
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2013 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS) PERMISSION SLIP

Please return THIS section to your child’s school by Friday March 22nd.

I give permission for my child ____________________________ of __________________________ to participate in the following 2013 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS):

☐ Computer Skills – 21 May 2013 ($8.80 GST inclusive)
☐ Science – 5 June 2013 ($8.80 GST inclusive)
☐ Spelling – 18 June 2013 ($12.10 GST inclusive)
☐ English – 31 July 2013 ($8.80 GST inclusive)
☐ Mathematics – 13 August 2013 ($8.80 GST inclusive)
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Please find enclosed ________________ entry fee:

Amount

Name of Parent/Guardian ____________________________ Date ____________________________

Signature of Parent/Guardian ____________________________
An important cybersafety message

Cyberbullying, sexual predation, identity theft and accessing and sending inappropriate images and content are some of the real cybersafety risks facing young people today.

To reduce our students’ exposure to these risks, and to help the whole school community embrace the benefits of technology, our school has registered to take part in eSmart.

Funded in Victoria by the State Government, eSmart is an initiative of The Alannah and Madeline Foundation. It was developed by RMIT School of Education, with the input of many other cybersafety and education experts.

We will provide regular updates in future newsletters as we work towards our goal of achieving eSmart status. More information is also available at www.esmart.org.au

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