Our School Values

At Wantirna Primary School we CARE -
C – collaborative learners  
A – active contributor  
R – respectful and responsible citizens  
E – emotionally aware

Principal’s Message

Welcome back everyone— I hope you had the opportunity to spend quality time with your children and also had a chance to relax yourselves! All the children and staff have had a very calm and productive start to the year and we look forward to an exciting first term.

New families—we have welcomed several new families to our school this year—all our Preps, Tyler and Khozema in Year 1, Hannah in Year 2, Nathan in Year 3, Mason and Tyler in Year 4 and Christine in Year 6. We know that all the other students and parents will make them all feel welcome.

Preps 2013—all our preps have had an excellent start to school life at Wantirna. They have had several sessions with their buddies and were presented to the rest of the school at assembly last week, also receiving a Better Buddy Bear. Miss Badrock has commenced her testing on Wednesdays, when Preps do not attend school.

Badge Presentations—at assembly this week Alan Tudge, Federal Member for Aston, will be attending our assembly to present badges to our Year 6 leaders as well as our Junior School Council representatives. All parents and other family members and friends are welcome.

School Leaders—our School Captains for this year are Chloe, Georgia, Luke and Regan. Our House Captains are Josh and Macey for Winton, Kieran and Stephanie for Salford and Max and Trinity for Koomba. Our Humanities leader is Jackie, our Environmental Leader is Adam, our JSC leader is Christine and our ICT leaders are Ethan and Michael.

AEU Stopwork—The Australian Education Union has called a full day stopwork for Thursday 14th February as part of the ongoing negotiations with the Victorian Government and all the teaching staff at Wantirna PS will be taking stopwork action. There will be no classes available on 14th February. A notice has been sent home with all children with further information.

Permission Notices—all students have received a set of permission slips to be signed and returned to school. These permission slips cover local excursions, photos for publication, internet use etc. It is vital that these are returned as soon as possible.

Parent Information Evening—next Tuesday there will be two information sessions for parents. The JLU session will commence at 7pm and the SLU session will commence at 7:45. This is an opportunity to come along and find out about what will be happening with your children’s education this year. Both sessions will be held in the library and children can be supervised if necessary.

Getting To Know You Interviews and Family Fun Night—On Thursday 21st February we will be holding GTKY interviews from 3:30—6:30, followed by a family fun night from 6:30-8pm. Interviews will be for 5 minutes only as they are an opportunity to exchange information with your child’s teacher, not a formal interview about their progress. The Family Fun Night will be held on the oval and will be run by our Year 6 leaders. Families can bring a picnic tea from 5:30-6:30.

School Council—our first meeting for 2013 is on Monday 18th February and we will be holding elections in the next few weeks. Please consider...
Student Awards

The following students received awards at assembly.

Congratulations to:

Lily W - JNRC - For being a responsible class member.
Emily Smith - JNRV - For having an excellent start to Grade Two.
Tyler D - SNRP - For having an excellent start at WPS.
Mason D - SNRP - For having an excellent start at WPS.
Oliver G - SNRE - For being a helpful class member.

Parents & Friends

Welcome to the Wantirna Primary School Parents and Friends Network.

The Parents and Friends Network each year organises the fundraising events for the school. We are group of parents that promote the community spirit of the school. Fundraising is an essential part of the running of the school and the PFN prides itself in working tirelessly raising funds for so may worthwhile projects. The primary aim of the PFN is to make all families feel they have a part to play in the school, and a contribution in helping to make their child’s years in the school a positive time in their life. New parents are actively encouraged to join the Committee every year. In order that the PFN Committee be truly represented, a minimum of two representatives are sought per class at the time of the AGM which is held in March.

If you can join our committee please contact the school office on 9801 –1938 or just come along to our meeting. All Welcome.
Welcome to 2013 from your School Council

I would like to welcome everyone to Wantirna Primary for 2013 – especially our new families.

After a fantastic ‘Centenary Year’ in 2012; your school council is commencing a number of projects this year to further enhance our great school. If you would like to become involved in further developing our school facilities and grounds do not hesitate to contact Heather Norbury our principal or myself.

Keep up to date with the WPS newsletter for dates regarding School Council Elections. Elections will be held in March, please consider playing a more active role in your school community. Becoming a member of the School Council can be rewarding and very satisfying. It is a great way to have an input in the future development on our school which will shape its existence for another 100 years.

There are also various subcommittees:
FINANCE – overseas the school finances and budget setting,
BUILDING AND GROUNDS (BAG) – oversees maintenance and building works around the school and organizes working bees,
EDUCATION – assists with the development of school policy,
PROMOTIONS – aims to promote the school to the community and beyond.

Upcoming meetings will be advertised in the newsletter. Please come along.

Kinds Regards
Andrew Cusworth
School Council President.

ОСХC News

Hours:
7.00 - 8.45 am
3.30 - 6.00 pm

Our Nationally Accredited Before and After School Care Programs offers parents a safe, happy and child focused program. Children may attend on a casual or a permanent basis.

After School Care .......... $17.00 per session
Before School Care ........ $22.00 per session

To make a booking for OSHC please call our co-coordinator Premila on 0405 736 870 or you can book through the school office on 9801 - 1938

JUST A REMINDER—ALL ACCOUNTS FOR OSHC NEED TO BE PAID WEEKLY. IF YOUR ACCOUNT IS NOT PAID IN FULL WE WILL HAVE TO ASK YOUR CHILD NOT TO ATTEND UNTIL THE ACCOUNT IS SETTLED. THE OSHC PROGRAM IS A SELF FUNDED PROGRAM THAT IS RELIANT ON THE PEOPLE USING THE PROGRAM TO PAY ON A WEEKLY BASIS TO KEEP THE PROGRAM VIABLE.

School Banking is back in 2013

with an exciting new theme and some great new rewards to earn!

Be on the look-out for your Savings Hunter Pack which will be sent home soon to tell you all about it and how to claim your rewards.

Banking will recommence on Tuesdays from 12th Feb.

HAPPY SAVING EVERYONE
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