

Issue 13

May 7, 2015

Dates to remember:

Friday, May 8

Assembly 2.30pm

Tuesday, May 12 to

Thursday, May 14

NAPLAN Testing Years
3&5

Wednesday, May 13

Kinder visit 12pm –1.45pm

Friday, May 15

Assembly 2.30pm

Thursday, May 21

Prep Dental Visit 2.30pm

Friday, May 22

Assembly 2.30pm

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News



\$5,000,000.00
Whittington Primary
Rebuild and
Refurbishment
Officially Confirmed!

Yesterday, our school was confirmed in the State Budget for a \$5,000,000.00 rebuild and refurbishment. This means we are able to move ahead with our plans immediately. We have been given approval by the Minister of Education to build a school incorporating the best of our existing school with the very best new classrooms. We have also started discussions with the City of Geelong to see if we can place other non-educational services within an expanded new building. Over the next couple of months I will attend a series of meetings. At some stages we will need to check with you about proposed plans. We will keep you informed as we go along.

NAPLAN Testing

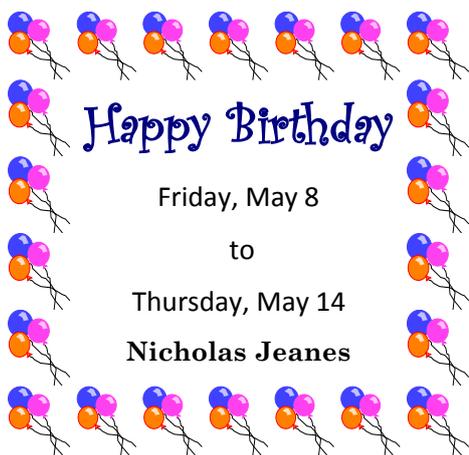
Over three days next week, we will be conducting the annual NAPLAN testing. All children in Year 3 and Year 5 will participate. They will be tested on a series of Literacy and Numeracy tests, with the school and parents getting a copy of the results later in the year.

We wish all students the best and ask you to reassure them that while we want them to perform at their best, ***it is not possible to 'fail' these tests!*** They are just to provide useful information to teachers about your child's learning.

Whittington Primary School

Newsletter





Happy Birthday

Friday, May 8

to

Thursday, May 14

Nicholas Jeanes

Entertainment Books

As a small fundraiser, our school is selling Entertainment Books. The book has thousands of up to 50% off and 2 for 1 offers at local restaurants and attractions for children and families. They are \$55.00 each and can be purchased as a book or for your phone. Please tell your friends and family. They are available at the school office.

Attendance Award



Grade KC had the best attendance for the week. Kylie and Brooke collected the trophy.

House Points



Kassie and Duwahar received the shield on behalf of Peake House.

Just Brass Band Excursion

—Whittington PS Impresses Again!

Our Just Brass students all attended a fantastic day at the Salvation Army Centre in Belmont on Tuesday. They were there with 100 students from various schools around Geelong. I visited briefly and saw them having a wonderful time listening to a group of really entertaining adult Brass Instrument players. Jenny McMahon accompanied the children and reported our kids behaviour was outstanding. They really set high standards when it came to working together with others. Well done to all.

Super Student Award

Our super students for last week were Isaac Wells, Riley Kennedy, Isabella Perry, Tyson Kennedy, Samantha Abbott, Megan Lahrmann-Clery and Zeth Farquhar. Congratulations.



Star Student Award



All of these students were very happy to receive the Star Student award. Well done.

Principal's Award

Kassie Barling was a worthy winner last week for consistently being a great all-round student who always tries to follow our three school values.

Aussie North-Judd received his award as an encouragement to keep up his significant improvement at school.



Blokes Program

Trey, Nick and Dylan attended the BLOKES program on Monday night and played wheelchair basketball.

They were commended for being wonderful, respectful students.

