



Fawkner News

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Important Dates

September 2016

16—END of TERM 3

2.30pm finish

October 2016

3—Start of Term 4

7—Fire Education F1A & FND

10-14 Camp Week

14—Fire Education F1A & FND

17—Prep Orientation

17—Swimming Lesson 1

21—Swimming Lesson 2

24—Prep Orientation

28—Swimming Lesson 3

31—Curriculum Day

NO SCHOOL

November 2016

1—Melbourne Cup **PUBLIC HOLIDAY NO SCHOOL**

4—Swimming Lesson 4

7—Prep Orientation

11—Swimming Lesson 5

18—Swimming Lesson 6

21—Swimming Lesson 7

25—Swimming Lesson 8

TERM DATES 2016

Term 4: 3 October—20 December

Dear Parents, Term 3 has been a very busy one with lots of interesting excursions, incursions and events happening. Likewise there are lots of exciting things happening in Term 4.

School finishes at 2.30 this Friday.

There is no canteen this week. Canteen begins back in **WEEK 3 of Term 4**

Enviro Week. Every week we work hard on being environmentally friendly, and this week we are having a week-long effort to highlight how we can have less waste in the school, use fewer resources (eg. electricity, gas, water) and how we can help reduce pollution.

Footy Day. Tomorrow we are having a special footy day to coincide with the AFL footy finals. Children are encouraged to wear footy clothes if they have some. Otherwise school uniform is fine. Children who have ordered a “footy lunch” of a pie or sausage roll and a drink can wear footy clothes without any further cost. Children who haven’t ordered a footy lunch can wear footy clothes and are asked for a gold coin donation.

NAPLAN. Parents of children in Years 3 and 5 are now able to pick up their child’s NAPLAN report from the child’s teacher. Reports that are not collected will be sent home with the end of year reports. Overall our students did exceptionally well in the Australia wide tests. At both Grade 3 and Grade 5 our children scored above the state average in virtually all areas. This is a great result which illustrates that the school is providing a high quality learning program in an extremely positive environment. Several of our students achieved marks in the top bracket state-wide which is a great credit to themselves and the school. We encourage parents to collect their child’s report and to have a chat with the teacher about the report.

Sunsmart. Terms 1 and 4. As part of our Sun Smart policy children are required to wear the school bucket hat or the school broad brimmed hat whenever they are outside in both Term 1 and Term 4. We allow students a week to find old hats or buy new ones, but by the second Monday of Term 4 any student without a hat will be required to sit under shelter whenever they are outside. School Broad Brimmed Hats are available from the office for \$12.00.

Swimming Program. We still have a few places for our Swimming Program. As in other years, the children we will be attending the Epping Leisure City Swimming Centre, which is a pool specifically for teaching primary school children to swim. There is NO public access and no other groups use the pool when we are using it. Swimming for years Prep-6 will be in Term 4, starting on Monday October 17th. This is the third Monday of Term 4. Lessons are based on the Aquasafe Program. The program aims to give children the opportunity to become water confident, to develop basic strokes and importantly, to educate children in the vital skills of water safety. This is particularly important as water is such an important element of life in Australia. Unfortunately there are far too many instances of children drowning in Australia, when basic familiarisation and training could have prevented many of these tragedies from occurring. Lessons will be conducted by professionally trained AusSwim staff. Each child on completion of the program will receive a certificate, which will outline the progression and level obtained in the school program. The cost of lessons is subsidised by an allocation from the curriculum component of the school grant. The cost is \$75 which covers bus to and from the centre, admission and all lessons.

What's happening in Term 4?

Fire Education program, Grades F and F/1— 7 & 14 October

Camp— 10—14 October

Non-Campers Program—Grade 3-6 children who do not attend camp

Prep Orientation—information sessions 17 & 24 October and 7 November, prep 2017 parents are advised to attend all sessions as each session covers different information.

Swimming—eight lessons beginning 17 October

Curriculum Day - Report writing day for teachers, no school for students—31 October

Melbourne Cup—PUBLIC HOLIDAY NO SCHOOL—1 November

End of Term 4—20 December 1.30pm finish



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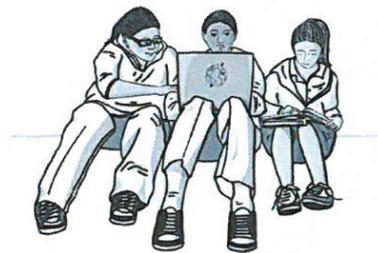
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When: Wednesday evenings, 7.00pm-9.00pm
2 November 2016 – 7 December 2016

Bookings Essential

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September 1, 2016

Dear Parents,

For our swimming program this year, we will be attending the Epping Leisure City Swimming Centre, for an 8 lesson program, the same as last year. Epping Leisure City Swimming Centre is a pool specifically for teaching primary school children to swim. There is NO public access and no other groups use the pool when we are using it.

Swimming for years Prep-6 will be in Term 4, starting on Monday October 17th. This is the third Monday of Term 4.

The swimming program offered to all children is an integral part of the Health and Physical Education Curriculum Standards Framework. It is intended that all children participate in the swimming program with the aim of achieving, as a minimum standard, basic competency in this area of Physical Education.

Lessons are based on the Aquasafe Program. The program aims to give children the opportunity to become water confident, to develop basic strokes and importantly, to educate children in the vital skills of water safety. This is particularly important as water is such an important element of life in Australia. Unfortunately there are far too many instances of children drowning in Australia, when basic familiarisation and training could have prevented many of these tragedies from occurring.

Lessons will be conducted by professionally trained AusSwim staff. Each child on completion of the program will receive a certificate, which will outline the progression and level obtained in the school program.

The cost of lessons is subsidised by an allocation from the curriculum component of the school grant. The cost covers bus to and from the centre, admission and all lessons.

Actual cost per term	\$85
Less Subsidy	\$10
Cost to you	\$75

We must have a deposit of \$20 to secure a place for your child.

A maximum of 55 children will be able to participate in the program.

Families can pay the total in one amount, or in instalments. If paying by instalments, there will be 3 further payments of \$15, \$20 and \$20 each.

You may also use the Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund money (if you applied for it) for this.

ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE FINALISED BEFORE SWIMMING COMMENCES