# Dates to Remember In Term 4

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<td>Christmas Day.</td>
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Stranger Danger

I would just like to provide all parents with an update regarding the red/burgundy car and the concerns that have been raised regarding the driver’s behaviours. Emerald Police have conducted a full investigation which included an interview with the driver. At this point in time, the police are satisfied that there was no risk to the safety of the students. I was advised that the car will be in the area as the driver has a relationship to one of the occupiers of a house between Bell Street and Old Gembrook Road.

Parent Survey

Many thanks to the parents who completed the DEECD’s Parent Opinion Survey last term. This survey was provided to parents whose names were selected on a computer generated list of names.

We have received the results and we are proud to announce that our school results were well above the average for all primary schools across the State. The results for the following variables were all at the 90th percentile: Transitions, Stimulating Learning, School Connectedness, Social Skills and Reporting.

Between the 75th and 90th percentile were: Approachability, Teacher Morale, Learning Focus, Homework, Student Safety, Connectedness to Peers, Student Motivation and overall General Satisfaction. We are all VERY chuffed with the results!

The only shortfall was ‘Extra-Curricular activities’ which was just below the 25th percentile. On reflection I was curious to know if parents were aware of the activities that we do which are beyond the bounds of normal classroom instruction. Here is a snapshot: Bike education program, Camps for the middle and senior school students, School production, Carols concert, Student Representative Council, Leadership forums, Ramingining Cultural Exchange program, China Sister School Exchange program, Ride for Rick middle school bike camp, RACV Energy Breakthrough, Gateways for gifted and talented students and finally lunchtime activities of colouring club, marbles club, construction club, Lego club and sport development programs.

Oopsie!!

Last week I made a mistake in announcing the date that the students will return to school after the Christmas vacation. The accurate return to school date for students is Friday 30th January 2015.
PLUMBER
Local Plumber
Call Dean
Mobile: 0431 335 064
Home: 03 5968 9268

NO JOB TOO SMALL

SICK BAY DUTY

05.12.2014  Lynda Chiruttini
19.12.2014  Leighta Bennett
If you would like to help please contact the office.

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS

To Contact O.S.H.C.
call the School Office
on 5968 8017 between
8.30am and 4.30pm
or ring 0408 566 957
or 5968 0256
at all other times.
Hope to see you soon.
Janine, Deidre and Kelly.

SPACE AVAILABLE FOR ADVERTISING

SIZE OF AD  COST PER WEEK
G.S.T. INCLUSIVE

Regular Size  $5.50
Double Regular Size  $11.00
1/4 PAGE  $16.50
1/2 PAGE  $27.50
WHOLE PAGE  $55.00

WHOLE YEAR ADVERTISING
DISCOUNT:REGULAR SIZE - $175.00

Please contact the school on 5968 8017 if you would like to advertise in our newsletter

All newsletter items are to be at the Office by 12MD Tuesday.
PFA Page

* Sausage Sizzle Monday 24th November at the Working Bee
* Popcorn / Drink Day Tuesday 25th November (next Tuesday)
* Kids Artwork Fundraiser Now On

Wow.... What an awesome day we had at the Carnival last Saturday. The weather was kind to us & the rain held off until after the Carnival had finished.... We had an army of helpers to set everything up, run the stalls & again to pack everything away before the rain came down. A HUGE THANKYOU to all the people who helped us, turned up on time, worked really hard & then packed things away.... We could never ever run an event like the School Carnival without your help..... From the beginning to the end of the Carnival, the School was buzzing with a fantastic atmosphere. The raffle saw lots & lots of happy winners, don't forget to check the stack of prizes outside the Office to see if you won something after you had gone home....... The Spinning Wheel had lots of winners of huge hampers.... The hampers might even save you from shopping for the next week 😊 The Cockatoo Idol entrants were exceptional this year, & I certainly didn't envy the judges having to decide on the top 5 acts...... All Idol entrants will receive their awards at a School Assembly soon.....

To all our Home Chefs..... THANKYOU... I personally love this stall, as I never know what we will have until the day of the Carnival, it's always a lovely surprise.

We're fundraising this term with a “Freshly Popped Popcorn & Cold Drink Break ” on Tuesday 25th November (that's next Tuesday). Students will be able to purchase a cold drink (milo, cordial or water) and a warm bag of Freshly Popped Popcorn for $3.00. Please fill out the order form & get it back to the Office as soon as possible or by Monday 24th November.

We will be holding an Edible Garden Twilight Working Bee on Monday 24th November after School. Come along & help out at the working bee & feed yourself and your family, you don't need to go home & cook dinner, we'll provide it for you

Free of charge 😊

PFA are currently running a fundraiser with "Kids Art Works". With lots of help & guidance from Wendy, all students have been busy creating their own artwork which can be made into Calendars, Greeting Cards, Iphone covers, Diaries or Mouse Mats. The same piece of artwork will be used for each different item. Year levels have created their artwork on different themes. We are able to offer each of these items at a heavily discounted price.

Cockatoo Primary School No 3535.
19-33 Belgrave Gembrook Road COCKATOOP 3781
Phone: (03) 3968 8017  Fax: (03) 3968 9502  Email: cockatoo.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Reminder
We do not accept New Zealand coins as payment for purchases, NO foreign currency will be accepted as the bank does not accept it therefore it is a loss for the school.

Canteen News
Changes have been made to the EVERYDAY MONEY SAVER MEAL DEAL please replace with the new copy sent home today.
Have you seen our canteen menu, if you missed out, copies are available at the Office. There have been some price changes so please check before ordering. Tomato sauce, Soy Sauce, Mayo and lunch bags are now included free of charge. If your child doesn’t want them please write ‘No sauce’ clearly on the lunch bag otherwise they will be added.

EVERYDAY MONEY SAVER MEAL DEALS
We are offering a Meal Deal for the low price of $5.00 and in this deal you can choose from 1 - Main 2 - Snack 3- Drink.
All you need to do is fill out the Meal Deal form tick one item from each section and place in a Bag like a normal lunch order.
This Meal Deal offer is available any day the canteen is open while stock is available.
Extra copies are available at the office or in the newsletter.

UNAVAILABLE
Everyday Money Saver Meal Deal
Pizza Pies, Hamburgers with cheese, Frozen Fruit Tubes, Solo Cans,
Roasted Wing Dings, Frozen Fruit Cups (pineapple),
King Sized Sausage Rolls

Blueberry Yogurt Straps are back in stock

New Cupcakes Chocolate/Vanilla/Butter flavours
ONLY .50¢
Everyday Money Saver Meal Deal

Select 1 item from each section for the LOW price of $5.00
*meals are set/no changes can be made*

**Mains**

- Egg & Bacon Quiche
- Large Spring Roll
- 8 Flame Grilled Beef Meatballs
- Twisty Pasta with Bolognese Sauce
- Vegetable Pastie
- 2 Large Chicken Dim Sims

**Snacks**

- Strawberry Moosie
- Twin packet Sweet Biscuits
- Cheese and Biscuits

**Drinks**

- Apple juice
- Apple/Blackcurrent juice
- Orange juice
- Bottle of Water
Student Achievements 2014

Reading Nights
Breaky
Flying
Dancing
Footy Kick
Footy Kick
Health & PE

English

The Humanities

Personal Learning

Visual Arts

Communication

Information & Communication Technology

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Phone: (03) 5968 8017   Fax: (03) 5968 9502   Email: cockatooprimaryschool@gmail.com
Mail Order Eftpos Credit Payment

Cardholder’s Name: ..................................................

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Card Number: □□□□ □□□□ □□□□ □□□□ □□□□ □□□□

Expiry Date: □□/□□

Amount to be Debited: $□□□.□□

Payment for: ........................................................................................................

Cardholder’s Signature: .................................................. Date: ....../....../......

Please Note: $10.00 minimum

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COCKATOO PRIMARY SCHOOL

ABSENCE NOTE

Name of Student: ................................................................................................

Date of Absence: ....../....... to ....../......./......

Name of Grade Teacher: ...................................................................................

Reason for Absence:

□ Fire Plan Activation       □ Medical Appointment
□ Illness                   □ Dental Appointment
□ Head Lice                □ Parent Choice (Family Reasons)
□ Holiday                  □ Hospital Admission

□ Other - Please list ........................................................................................

Signature of Parent or Guardian: .................................................................

Date: ....../......./......

It is the parent's responsibility to inform the school of the reason for a student’s absence. A satisfactory reason must be given; otherwise it will become a matter for the School Attendance Officer to deal with. Relevant legislation: The Education Act 1958 section 53(3), Community Services Act 1970 section 74(b), 74(c), 74(g).

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We would like to wish the following Students and Teachers a very Happy Birthday

Students:
Couper Harmer
David Deppeler
Ebony Egan
Zara Clearihan
Ryan Sydes

Teachers:
Helen Deppeler

IT'S COOL TO BE AT SCHOOL!

ALL PHASE ELECTRICAL ELECTRICIAN
No Job too SMALL
Call Grant: 0458393652

BOOK CLUB ORDERS DUE MONDAY 24TH NOVEMBER

Edible Garden

Monday, 24th November
3:30pm straight after school,
There will be jobs for everybody.
Sausage sizzle for all the hungry workers.

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"CRAZY CHRISTMAS"

Wednesday 3rd December

Wear anything Christmassy on your head or decorate your face & hair. Full dress-ups also acceptable. Please bring a $2 coin donation on the day for the sponsorship of our World Vision children.

Yours very Thankfully,
Wendy Dene (World Vision Coordinator)

* Any hair colour must be completely removed for school on the following day
BUSHFIRE PROCEDURES for COCKATOO PRIMARY SCHOOL

PRE PLANNING

School closures may occur on Code Red Alert Days or other days as specified by the Department of Education & Early Childhood Development. Where possible, warning notification will be provided to parents by letter 3 days prior to the closure, and then via SMS mobile message, letter and the media, on the day prior to the closure. Please ensure that the school has 2 up-to-date mobile phone numbers for this purpose.

- **On days of Total Fire Ban you are required to notify the school by phone if your child is absent.**

- On days of Total Fire Ban, fire shutters will be lowered at the start of the day (Operation of fire shutters will be checked each Friday morning).

- The school has a documented Emergency Management Plan that has been approved by the Department of Early Childhood Development and the School Council.

- **Please have your own personal family bushfire plan developed and act early.**

IF A FIRE BREAKS OUT

- The school will put into effect the Emergency Management Plan.

EVACUATION

- **Please do not come to the school to collect students if an evacuation to our ‘Shelter In Place’ (multi-purpose room) has occurred. Students will be safer at the school. Once evacuation has occurred you may be putting your child’s safety at risk if you remove them from the facility.**

- When we have been informed that the situation is safe, students may be collected from either of the entry doors to the facility.

- *Please do not attempt to come and join your children in our ‘Shelter In Place’ – we have NO SPACE FOR EXTRA PEOPLE. The school’s ‘Shelter In Place’ is for students, staff and on-site volunteers ONLY.*

- Students will move in an orderly fashion to the facility – the multi-purpose room.

- Class rolls will be marked, students will be given safety lanyards to wear and all areas of the school checked to ensure all people are evacuated.

- If evacuation to the school’s ‘Shelter In Place’ occurs close to dismissal times, students will be held at the school and dismissed only when it is safe to do so.
• We will be directed by the authorities if evacuation beyond the school is found to be necessary. If an off-site evacuation is necessary the students will be walked to our designated assembly area – the Alma Treloar Reserve.
• A notice will be placed on the front door of the school informing parents of the location of the students. Contact mobile numbers will also be detailed on the notice.
• Teachers will remain with students at the evacuation area.

Note:
Evacuation from the school is a VERY unlikely option and will only occur well in advance of fire threat and only when it is safe to evacuate.

DISCHARGE OF STUDENTS

When considered safe, students will be discharged into the care of parent or guardian ONLY.
If you wish to nominate another person to collect your child, written permission must be provided to the school, giving full details of that person. This will be kept on record at the school.

WHAT WE HAVE DONE TO ENSURE THE SCHOOL IS AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE FOR YOUR CHILD

• Have developed a comprehensive Emergency Management Plan which has been approved by the appropriate authorities

• Have practised our Fire Drill and evacuation routes

• Have a perimeter sprinkler system with an independent water supply for the roof of the school’s ‘Shelter In Place’, and fire shutters for the windows and a hose reel within the ‘Shelter In Place’.

• Have provided drinking water in the event that water supplies are cut off

• Have purchased a special hose that attaches to the sprinkler pump, which can be used inside or outside if the mains water is off

• Have provided emergency lighting for the ‘Shelter In Place’

• Have ensured medications are available for those students who normally receive them, should we need to use the ‘Shelter In Place’

• Have ensured that the school bus driver has a procedure to follow should a situation arise after he has left the school

Darrelyn Boucher
Principal
November 12th 2014
Working Bee and Community Barbeque

Next Monday November 24th

We're nearly there!!

After such a successful working bee a few weeks ago........we are going to hold another! This will be held next Monday evening from 3:30-5:30. Children of all ages are welcome-there will be activities for children to participate in.

This project will become a valuable education resource for the children in studies on sustainable living. We plan to have raised vegetable garden beds and an extended chook pen complete with concrete tunnel for the ultimate in chook lifestyle.

Whatever time you have available on Monday would be a fantastic help towards the project. We have a long list of jobs that we hope to complete during the working bee.

The sausage sizzle will be up and running.

Thank you!

Name: ____________________________

I am able/unable to help. (Please circle)

Number of sausages required ______

Yarra Ranges Council
Family Day Care

2015 Vacancies available at Karen's Family Day Care

Family Day Care is a childcare service which provides small group education and care for children from birth to 12 years of age in the safe, comfortable home environment of qualified and registered Family Day Care educators.

Karen - Cockatoo

My qualifications and experience include:
* Certificate III in children services,
* Food safety
* First aid, Asthma & Anaphylaxis a
* Police checks & Working with children checks

I am constantly updating my knowledge through local in-service’s on children services and have 13 years experience running my Family Day Care service.

I believe that children who are relaxed and allowed the time to become secure in the care environment become active learners. My role as an educator is to plan real life experiences to help the children in my care establish and maintain respectful, trusting relationships with other children, their families, myself and my own family.

Contact a Resource Officer to find out more information Ph: 9754 4432