14th August, 2015

**Dates for your Diary**

**Wednesday 19th August** - Book Week Breakfast and Dress Up Day

**Friday 21st August** - Interschool Debate

**Wednesday 26th August** - Friday 29th August - Year 3/4 camp at Allambee.

**Tuesday 1st September**

‘Yoga To Go Kids’ – Family Session

**Wednesday 2nd – Friday 4th September**

– Year 5/6 camp at Forest Edge Neerim East.

**Wednesday 9th September** – Footy Day

**Thursday 17th September** – Science Night.

**Thursday 17th September** – Last Day of Term

* **Friday 18th September** – School Closure Day – Staff First Aid

* **Monday 5th October** – School Cloure Day - Staff at Inservice in Melbourne

**Tuesday 6th October** – Start of Term 4

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**School Closure Days**

As you can see in the Diary we will be finishing school for the term on **Thursday 17th September** and will not commence till **Term 4 commences on Tuesday 6th October**. These are Staff Inservice Days.

‘Yoga To Go Kids’ – Family Session

On Tuesday 1st September, we will be having a ‘Yoga To Go Kids’ family session for parents/carers to come and watch or participate in our last session of the program.

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**Front Car Park**

The front carpark off Lloyd St. is a teachers’ carpark and we ask that parents please do not use this during school hours. We had a near miss with a child running in the carpark area to meet their mum and a staff member was backing out.

Staff members come and go at different times so please this is not a safe area to drop off or pick up your children. Thank you.

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**St Kieran’s Primary School Care Group**

Thank you to our wonderful Care group who catered for the Year 6 Confirmation Reflection Day. It was lovely to see our parents and grandparents all working together as a community for this special occasion.

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**P & F**

Thank you to all our helpers at the Disco. It was a great night. We raised $480 this will go towards the payment of the junior play equipment.

Our next P&F Meeting will be on Wednesday 18th August. We will be discussing the school uniform.

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**Tips for successful parent-teacher meetings**

**Why it is worth going to parent-teacher meetings?**

Parent-teacher meetings give you a great opportunity to:

- learn more about your child’s academic, emotional and social development
- meet and get to know your child’s teachers
- help your child’s teachers understand more about your child
- make plans with the teacher about how you can both support your child
- build a relationship with your child’s school

**What to talk about at parent-teacher meetings**

To get the most out of parent-teacher meeting, it helps to be well prepared. One of the first things you can do is read your child’s school report carefully and note down anything you want to ask about. It can help to take your list of questions with you so you remember what you want to talk about.

**It’s useful to have a few other questions in mind too. For example:**

- What are my child’s strengths?
- What does my child struggle with?
- How much homework should my child be doing every night?
- What can I do at home to help with my child with schoolwork?

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**Around our Classroom**

**ICT and Music**

The students have been working hard during ICT and Music. The juniors in ICT are using the PowerPoint program - the 2/1s have used Mary Mackillop as a slideshow topic this week, while the 3s are creating a project in pairs using facts about the Sun. The seniors are currently planning and filming videos to make movies using Windows Movie Maker which they will edit in the coming weeks.

Currently many of the Preps and junior grades are preparing for the Eisteddfod (lead by the brilliant Mrs Howell) – there is still over a week to go so we look forward to the actual day with much excitement.
**Wednesday Munchies**
Our free fruit program will continue again this term and will be allocated at recess every Wednesday, hence the name “Wednesday Munchies”. We are very grateful to the team at Moe Hope Christian Community Church for providing the fruit and produce for our school via Second Bite. Thank you to our parents, Shirley Weir and Tammy Prestipino for volunteering to pick up the produce each week and to Emma Dorling for preparing the fruit.

**Woolworths ‘Earn and Learn’ Program**
Thank you to all those families who have been collecting stickers from Woolworths as part of the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school. There are collection boxes in the supermarket and in the library for you to place your completed cards.

**Book Week Breakfast**
Our next school breakfast will be our Book Week Breakfast to be held on Wednesday 19th August at 8:00am in the hall. We are celebrating the Book Week theme “books light up our world”. As it is Book Week the children are invited to dress up in their favourite book character. This is open to all children not just those attending the breakfast. There will not be a whole school parade but individual classes will be working on Book Week books.

**Bor Orphanage Undies Appeal**
Thank you to those families who donated to the Bor Orphanage Undies Appeal. Bor Orphanage advised that they have reached their target of 1000 pairs and are very grateful for our contribution.

We would like to wish the St Kieran’s Playgroup a Happy 5th Birthday.