Dear Parents,

Yesterday the children who brought coats to school were probably very happy they did because due to the storm we were without power for over an hour which meant there was no heating and jackets were useful. I know some children say they don’t need their jackets once they are at school because they play active games outside and stay warm that way but in cold weather there can be a range of times that warm clothing may be needed. I know that I like to carry a wet weather coat and a warm coat in my car just in case I need to be out of the protection of the car in an emergency. In an emergency at school children may be required to evacuate the building so it is a good idea for them to have a warm coat with them.

Concert News

I hope by the time you read this your child/children’s permission notes for travel to the theatre for practice tomorrow have been returned. If not please make sure they are handed to the teacher first thing tomorrow morning to save having to call you back to school to sign one.

Rooms 1, 2, 7 & 9 need to wear black shoes such as school shoes on Wednesday night. Previously we had mentioned that all students need to be at the theatre at 7.00pm so that dressing can be accomplished, parent helpers can take their seats and we can start on time. We will need Room 12 & 14 students by 6.30pm as they have time consuming full make up to be applied. When you arrive on the night we ask that children are brought to the stage door which is to the left of the foyer entrance. At the end of the performance, while children are changing back into their own clothes, I am talking to you in the theatre and will explain how to collect children from the stage door.

Could students please wear tracksuit style clothing to the theatre, so it is easier for them to change into costumes. The children remain backstage during the performance and need to bring the following with them to the concert night:

- Coat
- Cushion to sit on
- Game, including hand held electronic games (no small pieces that can be lost)
- Bag to put their clothes in when they change into costume.

Please label all items including games.

Venue: Karralyka Centre, Mines Road, Ringwood. (Melways Map 50 A6.)

Parents are also reminded that NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY is permitted.

NO VIDEO TAPEING of the performance is permitted. A professional video of the performance will be taken. Order forms will be available after the concert.

The morning after the concert children will be tired. If you are able to let your children have a sleep in please do so and bring them to school later. They will not be marked as late arrivals if they are at school by 11.30am, which is the beginning of the session after recess. Children who are at school at the beginning of the date will attend Mass at 9.15am for the Feast of the Assumption.

PRAYER FOR THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY

Father in heaven, all creation rightly gives you praise, for all life and all holiness come from you. In the plan of your wisdom she who bore the Christ in her womb was raised body and soul in glory to be with him in heaven. May we follow her example in reflecting your holiness and join in her hymn of endless love and praise. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
We have had significant numbers of children (and staff) away last week and again this week. Illnesses are coughs and colds, flu and gastric flu. It would be very disappointing for any student to miss the concert performance. If children are still not 100% on Wednesday morning it may be wise to keep them home from the rehearsal in the hope that they may be well enough for the performance. If they have had the gastro flu they would need to be 12 hours clear after diarrhoea or vomiting. To assist in stopping the spread of infection staff spent time after school last Friday using anti-bacterial wipes on tables, chairs, door handles, light switches, hand rails and computers. The most important factor in trying to minimise infection is that sick children stay at home even when they are keen to come to school. Many times when we ring a parent to come and collect a child who is sick they say that their child wanted to come to school. Yes, it is a great compliment to us, but not in the best interests of all.

School Closure Day Monday August 19th
On this day the staff are furthering their understanding of “Personalised Learning” as a method for meeting learning needs of students and maximising their engagement and understanding of their own learning. Please see the information about Out of School Care for this day later in the newsletter.

Congratulations to Judy Harris on the arrival of her grandson, Cormac, a son for her daughter, Marg.

We're looking forward to a great concert!

Maria McIntyre

National Literacy and Numeracy Week 2013

A reading on Wednesday 31st July at 2pm by our teacher librarian Kate Hole marked our participation in Read for Australia as part of the celebrations for National Literacy and Numeracy Week this year.

Along with hundreds of schools from across the country, our students listened attentively and most enthusiastically as Mrs Hole read Herman and Rosie by Gus Gordon over the speaker system.

Set in New York, Herman and Rosie is about friendship, music and following your dreams.

What a beautiful message to spread to each other!

Until next year…Happy Literacy and Numeracy Week!

Jane Douglas and Claudia Bortolin
Literacy Coordinators
### Concert Costume Update #3—It’s Time!!

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<td>One</td>
<td>Stacey</td>
<td>Jeans (no hipsters) already at school and Black School Shoes to be worn with dark coloured socks if possible</td>
<td>Dishevelled and scruffy</td>
<td>Skin looks paler under stage lights – we recommend a light application of foundation if possible, light application of mascara, nude lipstick if desired. ‘dirty’ foreheads or cheeks/chins welcomed.</td>
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<td>Two</td>
<td>Vicki</td>
<td>Polished Black School Shoes to be worn on the night. Girls with white socks rolled down, boys with green or black socks.</td>
<td>Long hair in pig tails and high pony tails or even bee hives. Most boys will be wearing caps</td>
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<td>Three</td>
<td>Nancy</td>
<td>White/Tan/Marle grey underwear or tan skins if you have them</td>
<td>All hair to be ‘slicked’ back – gel will be applied as required on the night. Long hair in a bun please.</td>
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<td>Bindi &amp; Nicole</td>
<td>Low pony tails and flat buns – students will be wearing a headpiece that conceals hair</td>
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<td>Five</td>
<td>Irene &amp; Sandra</td>
<td>Crazy hair welcomed including hair colour</td>
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<td>Seven</td>
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<td>Nine</td>
<td>NONE REQUIRED</td>
<td>Jeans (no hipsters) Black School Shoes to be worn with dark coloured socks if possible. Wired plaited pig tails welcomed with fabulous freckles!</td>
<td>Skin looks paler under stage lights – we recommend a light application of foundation if possible, light application of mascara, nude lipstick if desired. Feel free to add freckles to country folk – we will have eye liner to do this, let your child know if you do NOT want this applied.</td>
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<td>Twelves &amp; Fourteen</td>
<td>NONE REQUIRED</td>
<td>Gymnasts must bring their outfits. Students have been advised of footwear requirements.</td>
<td>Specific character requirements have been discussed with students. Limited supplies of gel and pins will be used on the night if required</td>
<td>All makeup will be applied on the evening by our makeup team – students will apply sorbolene cream before makeup, if you prefer an alternate moisturiser (makes removal easier), please apply before hand, and send labelled with your child.</td>
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### Make Up Helpers:
- Amanda
- Fung
- Violetta

As Senior students are wearing Stage quality makeup, students will be given the option of removing before they depart with water, soap if desired or baby wipes. If you prefer alternate cleansers to be used by your child at the venue – please send labelled with their name.

### Costume Washing Support:
- Liz (backstage at the end of the evening)
- Irene & Kim – wash baskets will be handed to you when collecting your child at stage door.

Any concerns relating to hair, make up or other – please let Jenny or Rebecca know

Please note only those people listed above will be allowed back stage due to space constraints.
Important Messages from Out of School Hours

Curriculum Day 19th August

Unfortunately at this stage it does not look like we will be opening for the curriculum day. We only have 2 confirmed bookings at this point of time. If you will be needing care please let us know by tomorrow. Please call 9841 9554 or email sspposhp@gmail.com to book your child/ren in for the day. If we do not have the numbers by then it will be cancelled and I will need to let the two bookings know so they can arrange alternative care.

Care this Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning

Due to the school concert if you do not require care on Wednesday afternoon we need to be notified ASAP please. Also if you intend to give your child a sleep in on Thursday morning after the concert please let us know ASAP if they will not be attending before school care. Please ensure that all children are picked up by closing time at 6pm on the Wednesday night of the concert.

Late pick up fee

As of Monday 26th August in line with other OSHP’s the late pick up fee will rise to $1 a minute for every minute after our closing time of 6pm.

Change in Active After School Communities

Unfortunately we are not starting Calisthenics on a Tuesday night like I mentioned in last week’s Newsletter. I am happy to announce that we will be starting Fencing. Our first session is tonight with the children all very excited. AFL on a Thursday night is going very well.

New Mobile Contact Number

The new mobile number to contact on is 0457085784. Have a great week and good luck to all the students in their performance tomorrow night.

Stacey and the OSHC Team

BOOK WEEK

Celebrate Children’s Book Week with a father/son night at Doncaster Library, Tuesday 20th August between 6.30-7.45pm. Guest will be Michael Panckridge, author of the Toby Jones cricket stories. Pizza supper included Free event—details 9877 8500

MUSIC OPEN LESSON DAY

Ss Peter & Paul’s School

in association with the

Primary Music Institute

Cordially invites you to attend a special event - our Music Open Lesson Day.

All parents and relatives, especially those of our present students, are invited to come and see the students take part in a group keyboard or guitar music lesson.

The Primary Music Institute teacher will demonstrate different aspects covered during the typical music lesson. This provides a great opportunity for parents to gain a better understanding of the program and to interact with the teacher.

Lessons will be held at the usual times unless an unexpected event occurs at school on the big day.

Parents are advised to check with the school or Primary Music Institute (admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au) if in doubt of the lesson time of their child. So come and join in the fun on Monday August 26th (at the normal lesson times).

CONGRATULATIONS ...

to the Grade 2/3 and Grade 4/5 after school Basketball teams who won their recent Grand Finals!!

Well Done to all players!!

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