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IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

Friday	6 November	Selected Year 5/6s at Milo Kanga 8s Cricket Regional Carnival
Tuesday	10 November	Prep 2010 Transition Session
Tuesday	10 November	French Club 1.10pm in the French room
Tuesday	10 November	Education Committee Meeting at 5pm in the staffroom
Thursday	12 November	Prep 2010 Transition Session
Thursday	12 November	Years 1 & 2 Basketball Clinics
Monday	16 November	Years 5 & 6 North Balwyn District Rugby Gala Day at Hislop Reserve
Tuesday	17 November	Year 3 Cricket Carnival
Thursday	19 November	Years 1 & 2 Basketball Clinics
Saturday	21 November	GPS Trivia Night
Tuesday	24 November	School Council Meeting at 8pm PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The selection process for a new Assistant Principal for Greythorn has been completed. I am delighted to announce that Mrs. Fiona Limoli will be taking up this substantive position in 2010. Fiona is well credentialed to take on the Assistant Principal role and has developed an outstanding reputation for her curriculum leadership, along with a solid background in administration and management. I would like to acknowledge the work that Fiona has undertaken in the past five months in the position of Acting Assistant Principal, demonstrating strong leadership of staff and students as well as maintaining coordination of the senior school area. I'm sure you will join with me in congratulating Fiona on her appointment to this vital role at Greythorn Primary School.

Our planning for next year is underway and in a few weeks teachers will begin discussions relating to classes for 2010. A number of factors are taken into account when placing students in class groups. These are explained clearly in our 'Formation of Classes' policy, a copy of which is attached to this Newsletter. All communication from parents regarding placements must follow the procedure outlined in the policy and will only be accepted in writing, addressed to the Principal and must be received by Wednesday 18th November.

Congratulations to members of the Girls' Bat Tennis team and the Boys' Softball team who participated in Zone Grand Finals last week. Although not successful in these matches both teams are to be congratulated for their high standard of play during the season, their sportsmanship and for the way they have so proudly represented Greythorn.

Congratulations also to:

- Petra S (3S) and Kimberly K (6K) for their excellent and entertaining piano performances at assembly last Monday
- Caitlin I (1CM) for her enthusiastic participation at Little Athletics. Caitlin shared with us some of her recent athletic achievements.

2010 TERM DATES

Term 1	1 February (for Students) —26 March
Term 2	12 April—25 June
Term 3	12 July—17 September
Term 4	4 October—17 December

☺ CANTEEN NEWS ☺

**WATCH THIS SPACE
FISH & CHIP FRIDAY
COMING SOON!!!!!!**



CANTEEN ROSTER

Fri 6 November	Janine Wan/Linda Bear
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Helpers needed—please contact Kathy Jackson on jackofamily@hotmail.com

GPS MEGA RAFFLE TICKETS

The GPS Mega Raffle has been extended. The tickets need to be returned by 19th November. The winners will be drawn at the school assembly on 23rd November, 2009.



SPORT

Years 1 & 2 will be involved in a "Skill, Fun and Play Day" at school on Thursday 12th or Thursday 19th November run by Basketball Victoria and the Bulleen Basketball Association. There will be prizes and giveaways for participants. The cost per student is \$1.50 which will be deducted from the Excursion Levy. If the Excursion Levy has not been paid, please send the money to your child's teacher.



All Year 3s will be involved in a cricket carnival at school on Tuesday 17th November. This event will be run by Cricket Victoria and there is no cost involved.

Catia Durante

*MANNINGHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL -
THE LAST HURRAH -
SAT 14th NOV 2pm-5pm*

Manningham Park PS, formerly Manningham PS, has been an integral part of the Manningham community since 1966. But the time has unfortunately come for the doors to close. We're looking for past students, teachers, parents & families to join a final reunion and giant assembly (3pm) to say thankyou & farewell to an old and much loved friend. Catch up with old school-mates & teachers & enjoy an afternoon of reminiscing. Please spread the word!

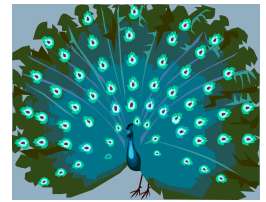
***Thankyou on behalf of
the Manningham Park PS
Last Hurrah Committee,
Roslyn Mackie
(Past Student)***

♪ ♪ ♪ MUSIC NOTES ♪ ♪ ♪

Peacock Feathers

We are looking for some peacock feathers to use for performing arts. If anyone has any they would be happy to donate, please bring them along to the Hall. Thanks,

Joy Odou
Music Teacher



REMEMBRANCE DAY

Next Wednesday 11th November is Remembrance Day. We are selling poppies for 50c each at lunchtime in the canteen courtyard. The money raised goes to assist the war veterans and their dependants. Please help us to support this very worthy cause.



Greythorn Park Tennis Club



Located in Greythorn Park entry from Robert St North Baiwyn Mel. Ref 46 G4

is looking for new members.

We invite you to an **OPEN DAY** on **Sun. 8 Nov 1 - 4 pm** for a hit and giggle, try out the Serve Speed Machine, free 15 min coaching sessions, (bookings essential call 0409 547 855) try out a variety of racquets from Reynolds, a sausage sizzle and more.

Our club offers:

- ✦ 6 fabulous new synthetic clay courts.
- ✦ Expert coaching - with Simon Batoni for children and adults.
Call Simon on Mob. 0409 547 855
- ✦ Ladies Tennis - Social- Mon.9.30 am to noon. Comp. 7 pm on.
- ✦ Mid-week Ladies Competition - Tues & Wed. from 10am to 2
- ✦ Open Night Competition - Tues, Wed & Thurs nights from 7pm.
- ✦ Weekend Open Competition - Saturday afternoon from 1 pm.
- ✦ Junior Competition - Saturday from 8.30 am Sun from 9 am.
- ✦ Sunday Social Tennis - Sun afternoon during summer from 1pm

We would love you to visit our club, so put **Sun. 8 Nov. 1 - 4 p.m.** in your diary now. Looking forward to meeting you and your family.

Visit us on www.greythornparktc.org.au

GREYTHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL 2009 TRIVIA NIGHT



**Our annual Trivia Night is scheduled for Saturday 21st November, 2009.
Not only is it a great night out, it is also the main fundraiser for the school!**

In recent years we have been fortunate to have the generous support from parents, local traders, businesses, and our school community, contributing to the success of the Trivia Nights. Funds raised from these and other special events have enabled us to install synthetic turf in the playground, commence the upgrade of the top oval, including the gazebo area and softball diamond. This year's fundraising will enable the completion of the top oval project and provide support for curriculum programs – specifically in the Information Communication and Technology area.

We are asking all parents and the wider school community to consider anything they may be able to donate to help raise funds for this event.

All donated products or services will be used to raise funds on the night.

EXAMPLES OF DONATIONS INCLUDE

1 free consultation with your business
A Discount Voucher with your business
A Gift Voucher for your business
A weekend away at your holiday house
Product from your business/shop
Offer yourself to do free babysitting!!

In appreciation of your support your business will:

Be advertised on the night at our Trivia Night venue.

Be represented in our Supporters Catalogue that is distributed to the wider Greythorn community (over 300 families) in the 4th Quarter – just in time for Christmas.

A Certificate of Appreciation.

Donations and commitments can be made to our
Trivia Night Fundraising Co-Ordinator,
Jacqui Hossack on 9898-4222



THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND SUPPORT!



GPS "80's" TRIVIA NIGHT

SATURDAY

NOVEMBER 21ST

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THE OFFICE

BOOK YOUR TABLES NOW - TICKETS ARE LIMITED!

GPS HALL

7PM

Wham



Tears for Fears

Queen



Men at Work



Spandau Ballet



Leg Warmers



Talking Heads



Duran Duran



Culture Club



Big hair!

**DRESS : 80'S CHIC
\$20 PER PERSON**

**BYO FOOD &
DRINKS**

GREYTHORN PRIMARY SCHOOL
FORMATION OF CLASSES POLICY

GOALS

1. To establish class groups that will optimise learning opportunities for the students of Greythorn Primary School.
2. To ensure appropriate notification to parents regarding the processes of class formation.
3. To conform with relevant Department of Education and Training directives on the composition and size of classes.

ACHIEVEMENT MEASURES

1. Individual student achievement.
2. Parent response to process.
3. Class cohesion

GUIDELINES

- The number and arrangement of classes will be formulated on anticipated enrolment numbers and staffing resources.
- In some instances, circumstances may necessitate the formation of multi-age classes.
- Class groups are determined by relevant teams of teachers, as established by the Principal and Assistant Principal.
- **If a parent has a legitimate concern regarding the class placement of their child, then they must communicate this information in writing to the Principal.**

The following factors will be considered in the formation of classes:

- Particular learning needs or behavioural factors of individual students
 - The preference for mixed ability groupings of students
- Notification of forthcoming class groupings and teachers will occur during the last week of the school year.
 - Changes to the decisions made regarding class formation, after consideration of the above factors will only be made in extenuating circumstances and on the basis of educational considerations. Any subsequent communication will be in writing to the Principal.