THANK YOU MORNING TEA

On Monday at 11:00am we are holding a parent helpers morning tea to thank the many parents who have helped class teachers, specialists, parents and friends and anyone or anything else connected to the school. Invitations have been sent out by class teachers so I hope that we have not missed anyone. Parent helpers have become an integral part of Coburg North daily life. Their support and help is much appreciated by the teachers and makes more things possible in the school. For those who cannot make it to the morning tea thank you very much for your support. In the end it is your children who are the winners.

CAROLS NIGHT

A really enjoyable evening was had by all on Wednesday at our end of year Christmas Celebration. Stephen Sharpe has put in a lot of work with all the grades and they did a great job and really enjoyed performing in front of their families. Thank you to Stephen for the time and effort he put in and thank you as well to the parents who sang and played on the night – Con Zelante, Sally Balhorn and her brother and Catherine Leslie

CHRISTMAS STALL

Parents and Friends will run a stall at school on Thursday 19th December. A range of gifts will be on sale. The gifts are all hand or locally made, range in price from $2.00 - $8.00 (with most at around the $3.00 mark) and will include items suitable for everyone from kindergarten kids to grandparents. This will be a great opportunity for your child buy presents for all the family while supporting the school.

FINAL DAY ICY POLES - Icy poles will be sold from the school canteen at lunch-time on Friday (the last day of school for this year). They will cost $1.

2013 STUDENT REPORTS

Parents please note that:

 Grade Prep – 5 student reports will go home next Monday 16th December.
 Grade 6 students will receive their reports at Graduation
MUSIC ROOM DOOR

The music room door has been finished! Emilio the artist is pictured here proudly showing us his work of art. Thank you to Michelle, Bianca’s mum for transferring Emilio’s work onto the door. Michelle is now working on putting student self portraits on the double doors in the Music Room. Each student is drawing themselves and Michelle will then create her transfers that will then stick onto the door.

FINAL FARMERS MARKET DATES FOR 2013 - SATURDAY 14TH DECEMBER & SUNDAY 22ND DECEMBER

The school’s pancake stall will operate at the market on the 14th December but not on the 22nd. The first market for 2014 is on Saturday 25th January. We will collect donations at the gate but not run a stall at that market. This first market for pancakes will be on Saturday 8th February. Next year we will ask for volunteers from year levels rather than specific classes. Volunteers for the February markets will be sourced from Grade 2. If you have a child who will be in grade 2 next year then please keep either the 8th and/or 22nd free to help.

A very big thank you to everyone who has held a bucket, flipped a pancake or sold a biscuit at one of the markets this year. I think the kids have really enjoyed being able to make a contribution to the school, as well as giving them the opportunity to cook and eat pancakes and practise their spruiking skills whilst rattling a bucket under people’s noses. You have also raised a lot of money. Aside from the fantastic music room extension (complete with fabulously decorated door) money raised at the market has funded a variety of classroom materials and assisted with the cost of incursions and excursions.

Adventure time!

8am - 1:00pm right here at Coburg North PS

Getting bored of making the same old salad? Come down to Coburg FM on Saturday and get some different ingredients that will get you excited about salad again!

New at the market is Waiatua Farms with their flaxseed products including oil, dressings, flour and meal. Pair with the fantastic grains from Burra Biodynamics and greens from Boisdales Best or Spring Creek Organics.

MM Designer Pasta’s certified organic stonefruit is the talk of the town – we recommend you get in quick!

Strawberries from Summer Sensations too!

Just remember: the special Coburg Christmas FM on Sunday 22nd Dec 9am-1pm

No markets on 28th Dec or 11th Jan BUT starting again 25th Jan so make it your new years resolution to come along!

Get on board and join the weekly circuit of accredited ‘REAL’ Farmers Markets.

Enquiries: 03 9419 0826 or info@mfm.com.au
THIS YEAR FROM PARENTS AND FRIENDS......

Well here we are at the end of the year and what a year it has been! There has been loads of laughs and fun and a LOT of hard work but the end result has definitely been worth it. One of the biggest things worked on this year for the P&F group has been the Farmers Market and the coordination of the Pancake Stall and collections at the front gate – this has been such a wonderful opportunity for our little school community and aside from the amazing produce available to us twice a month it has been fantastic to see the effort put in by the children and their parents each week. A special mention must go to Liz Pye who has organised pancake licences, rostering, purchasing the ingredients and braved the early morning starts with a whisk in hand to make batter as well as then co-ordinating the day at every market this year – it is a HUGE effort and she deserves a big pat on the back!

Aside from the Farmers Markets one of the other great things from this year has been the social side of Parents and Friends. Events have been captured through the new blog or Facebook page as well as through things such as the Social Drinks held each term and Fitness classes held each week. It has been so much fun getting to know other parents in the school community and I believe this is one of the real highlights of P&F this year.

Other P&F activities this year have included:
- Prep BBQ
- Twilight Sports BBQ
- Mothers Day and Fathers Day stalls
- End of term icy pole, popcorn and pie days
- Scout Raffle
- Chocolate Drive
- Election Day Cake Stall
- Bunnings BBQ (this Saturday!!)
- Kids Art work fundraiser
- Carols Night Icy Poles and Christmas “sparkles”
- Christmas Stall (next Thursday!!)

Through both the Farmers Market and the activities listed above the Parents and Friends group has managed to raise close to $23,000. This is a truly amazing achievement for such a small school and the people involved either directly in meetings or organising specific activities this year should be proud of the effort and ideas they have put in throughout the year – Kirsty West, Tamara Heath, Meredith Dimsey, Liz Pye, Di Furness, Sue Liebelt, Katherine Fry, Carla Bruce-Lee, Anne Kadir, Anna Zelante, Annabelle Crotty, Kate Copping, Megan Eddy and Lucy Best. There have also been a huge number of people who volunteered their time to help out at the BBQs, stalls and end of term days to make all of these things possible the list is extensive but we would like to also say a big thank you to all of them - you know who you are!

With plans already taking shape 2014 is looking to be another great year for the P&F group and we would love you to join in if you haven’t already.

So from Parents and Friends we wish everyone and Merry Christmas and a happy and safe new year and we look forward to seeing you all in 2014!

Bree Day
DID YOU KNOW?
Did You Know that according to the Australian Bureau of statistics the average Australian household spends 53% more on fuel for vehicles ($60 a week) than energy, such as gas and electricity ($39 a week)?
If you want to ditch the car over summer there are free travel maps available from the office. They show walking and cycling routes, as well as all public transport routes throughout Moreland. Enjoy!

DIARY DATES 2013

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| 13       | G 3-6 Transition /Sports Day John Fawkner SC  
            G 2 Tennis Centre Excursion |
| 14       | Coburg North Farmer’s Market – Grade 5/6A  
            Bunnings BBQ               |
| 16       | Parent helper morning tea on the junior deck  
            STUDENT REPORTS Gr P-5 sent home |
| 18       | Grade 6 Graduation  
            Gr 6 Reports given out.    |
| 19       | Grade 6 Excursion  
            **CHRISTMAS STALL**  
            Students spend time in their new grades |
| 20       | Last day of term 4 1:30 dismissal             |
| 22 SUNDAY | **EXTRA COBURG FARMERS MARKET**               |
Moreland Youth F.C.

Invitation to all Boys & Girls for the 2014 Soccer Season.

MORELAND YOUTH F.C is seeking players aged 6-16 to form the foundations of our club.

5-11y/o – Boys/Mixed Small Sided Football Teams

12-16 y/o- Junior Boys teams

Girls Football is Alive & Kicking
Can You Kick It?

Seeking Girls to form the following teams
• SSF teams 8- 11 Years olds
• Junior girls teams - Under 12 – 16.

Further Information Please Contact
Junior Coordinators on
Lou- 0417 301 191 / Rowena 0407 515 707

Website: www.morelandzebras.com
ENROL NOW
SUMMER START 8th FEBRUARY 2014

Saturday morning clinics run during the school term and involve 55 minutes of personalised tuition. Age and skill appropriate curriculum focus on the fundamentals of the games that will encourage social interaction build skill levels and grow self-esteem. Soccer, Aussie Rules and Cricket are offered at Strathmore Venue. Each session is comprised of approximately 30-50 children, and is divided into four to six groups, with one coach to (approx) ten players.

VENUE
[ ] STRATHMORE Metway 16 JJ1
Strathmore Secondary College, Pascoe Vale Rd
Strathmore 16th 3000

SESSION TIME
[ ] AFL
8.30 - 9.30am
[ ] CRICKET
9.30 - 10.30am
[ ] SOCCER
10.30 - 11.30am

FREE GIFT please select one
[ ] Vic Cric Hat
[ ] Incrediball
[ ] Swing King Ball
[ ] Barring Gloves
[ ] Soccer Ball
[ ] AFL Footy Club Ball

VIC CRIC/SOCCE POLO SHIRTS $25
[ ] 6 [ ] 8 [ ] 10 [ ] 12 [ ] 14
Children's Size, Please select by ticking box.

METHOD OF PAYMENT
[ ] Pre pay CHEQUE (to secure your place) please mail with completed application form to VIC CRIC 28 SPENCER ST ESSENDON 3040
[ ] Payment on first day of Clinic 8th February 2014
CHEQUE/CASH Please note that registration and payment must be completed before commencement of Clinic.

TOTAL AMOUNT $____

*Please make all Cheques payable to Vic Cric

Participant Name

No. of Clinics previously completed

Age

Address

Post Code

Phone

Mobile

Email

Primary school currently attending

Parent/Guardian Signature

Documents family discounts apply and combine 2 or 3 disciplines for more fun and great savings. Please ask VIC CRIC team for more information. Disclaimer: Children play at their own risk. Vic Cric Pty Ltd accepts no liability.

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