CALAEBR 2016
Dates to remember...

TERM 1 DATES:
Friday 29 January – Thurs 24 March

FINAL DAY OF TERM 1:
2.30PM FINISH
Thursday 24 March

GOOD FRIDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY:
Friday 25 March

TERM 2 DATES:
Monday 11 April – Friday 24 June
Prep Tours start – see website for details

FIRST DAY OF TERM 2:
Monday 11th April

FOOTY GALA DAYS
15th and 22nd April

GNAP MOVIE NIGHT
Friday 15th April

DISTRICT AND DIVISIONAL TENNIS
15th and 22nd April—selected students

ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Monday 25th April

SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC BEGINS
Monday May 2nd

MUSEUM AND JURASSIC WORLD EXCURSION
Grades 1/2 Monday 23rd May

QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Monday 13th June

PRINCIPAL’S CORNER

Thank you for a Good Term

Term 1 has come and gone very quickly. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the staff and students for the fantastic job they have done in beginning the year so productively and positively. Next term is much longer than Term 1, so it will test our resilience and cold weather durability. We have survived the heat tests from the start of the year.

As this is my last Newsletter as Principal I would like to thank everybody for their support over the last two and a bit years. We have achieved many things by working together for the betterment of all the children in our joint care.

Sue Dean will begin with us as Principal in Term 2 and I will revert to being the Assistant principal. I’m sure everyone will make her feel welcome and she will have a positive influence on the future direction of our school.

Jo Stevens Appointment

On Friday Jo Stevens was appointed to the Acting Assistant Principal position at Albany Rise Primary School for Term 2. Jo’s decision to apply for this position, which comes after 22 years at Ferntree Gully North, was a difficult decision but she is keen to continue her work with families in a similar vein to the admirable work she has done whilst assisting me. I thank her for her support and am sure the community wishes her all the best. What happens after this (a Term 2 appointment) is yet to be decided.

Twilight Movie Night Last Week

It was disappointing that we had to cancel the Twilight Movie Night last Friday after all of the hard work of GNPA to get it up and going and selling so many tickets. It has been confirmed that the event will be moved to Friday April 15th. This date coincides with the end of Day Lights Savings over the holidays, which means the night can start a little bit earlier as it will be a bit darker. All of the tickets sold for last week are still valid for the new date and I believe GNPA will be selling some extra tickets if there are any families who can now attend, but couldn’t previously.

Excellence:
High expectations of the whole school community

Respect:
For self and others

Resilience:
Engaging in challenges and learning from mistakes

Integrity:
Choosing a course of action that contributes to the greater good

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PRINCIPAL’S CORNER (continued from page 1)

Excellence Awards and Attendance Awards
Throughout this week I will be meeting with each Year Level to present Excellence Awards and Attendance Awards for Term One. Students who have perfect attendance records for Term One and have not been late or left early on any school day are eligible for these awards. These awards have significantly impacted on the school attendance of our students (along with the fantastic place we are as a school) with our student attendance rates amongst some of the best in the state.
Excellence Awards are presented to students each term who have displayed outstanding role modelling and achievement. Unlike Student of the week, not every student receives an Excellence Award in the course of their time here at school and it is truly a recognition that is to be celebrated and valued. Students who receive an Excellence Award receive a badge that they sew on to their jumper so they are recognised easily as a role model in a particular area.

Prep 2017 Tours
Next term we begin Prep 2017 tours for future prospective students. These have been extremely popular in the past and we have been inundated with enrolments over the last few years and some people have not been able to secure a spot to start school. If you have a child starting prep next year, please book in and if you know of someone who does please direct them to our website, where they can view the range of tour options and times.


Confirmation of School Council Positions
I would like to express my thanks to the range and number of people who expressed interest in joining our School Council for a two-year appointment (2016 and 2017). It speaks of the strength of our community that so many people are willing to give their time to make our school an even better place than it already is.
Congratulations to the parent members of our community who were confirmed as School Council Members through the recent voting system. Last night we tallied the almost 600 votes that were submitted for the School Council positions. Thankyou to the community for engaging in the election and having a say in who represents them and thankyou to the 11 nominees who put their hand up to fill the 4 positions.
After the counting of the votes, I am pleased to announce that the following Parent Members will join School Council at tomorrow night’s AGM.

Katherine Crennan  Blair Odom  Fiona Van Heeswyk  Marty Kahnsnitz

Thank you to those other members of the parent community who put their hand up and thankyou to all the people who registered a vote and had a say in the formation of our School Council.
Formal Executive Positions will be confirmed at the AGM tomorrow night and will be publicised early next term.

Thursday Dismissal

School concludes for Term One with an Assembly at 2pm and dismissal at 2.30pm. Please note the early finishing time.
Have a Happy Easter and safe travels to everyone who will be heading away for time with their family.
If you notice anything odd in the school grounds over the holiday period please call 000.

Cory Pearce and Jo Stevens.
Congratulations to the following students who received Student of the Week:

*(Ending Friday 18th March 2016)*

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<td>Lachlan B</td>
<td>For demonstrating his strength to be sensible throughout all areas of learning this week</td>
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<td>Madi C</td>
<td>For contributing her thoughts and ideas during Writing sessions this week</td>
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<td>5/6F</td>
<td>Zoe F</td>
<td>For her effort and passion towards her ERT project</td>
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<td>Zoe W</td>
<td>For her greatly improved attitude towards her homework</td>
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<td>3/4S</td>
<td>Patrycia O</td>
<td>For always being a role model student to her peers by making strong decisions</td>
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<td>Jon S</td>
<td>For being such a kind and considerate class member</td>
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<td>Jaxon L</td>
<td>For his informative description of the design process during the 3/4 EXPO</td>
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<td>Leah S</td>
<td>For putting a fantastic effort into her expo presentation to explain her design to others</td>
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<td>1/2M</td>
<td>Mikayla A</td>
<td>For always striving to do her personal best and for being a positive role model for others!</td>
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<td>Kaiden W</td>
<td>For his wonderful effort with his reading and writing this week. Keep up the great work Kaiden!</td>
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<td>Flynn E</td>
<td>For great work with adding numbers. Well done!</td>
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<td>Ethan R</td>
<td>For displaying resilience during investigations</td>
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<td>Brodie-Jaye S</td>
<td>For consistently being such a wonderful role model in our class. You’re a star.</td>
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<td>Jerome B</td>
<td>For working hard on his addition magic numbers</td>
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<td>PREP W</td>
<td>Kobi N</td>
<td>For being the master of himself and independently doing the right thing</td>
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<td>PREP L</td>
<td>Cooper B</td>
<td>For sounding out all of his sounds to make 11 words in his writing. You are a star</td>
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<td>PREP F</td>
<td>Bill P</td>
<td>For making strong choices about where to sit to help him be a better listener</td>
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<td>Blake E</td>
<td>For being fantastic helpers setting up the 3/4 and 5/6 sport</td>
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<td>ART</td>
<td>Kobi N</td>
<td>For excellent manners and beautiful Art</td>
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Dear Parents and Guardians,

At Ferntree Gully North Primary School we are committed to developing our students’ personal and social capabilities to assist them towards a happy, productive and fulfilling life in which they can form meaningful and successful relationships with others.

Social and Emotional Learning is defined as

"...a process for helping children and even adults develop the fundamental skills for life effectiveness. Social and Emotional Learning teaches the skills we all need to handle ourselves, our relationships and our work, effectively and ethically. Teaching Social and Emotional skills helps create and maintain safe, caring learning environments."

Collaborative for Academic, Social and Emotional Learning (CASEL)

To achieve these aims we focus on Behaviour Education and Student Self-Management as guided by Pay Is the Way and the 3Rs Method (Reflection, Repair and Restitution).

The 3Rs Method is an intervention to help all students, especially those who are having difficulty with their behaviour, to develop the self-management skills to function effectively in primary school and beyond.

The 3Rs Method uses Guide Sheets that, with the assistance of a teacher, explicitly teach Social and Emotional skills. Students are also given the opportunity to make the restitution that facilitates the repair of relationships and assists them to earn back the trust of their school community. The 3Rs Method helps students to adhere to the standards of behaviour expected by our school and is for all year levels. It builds a sustainable culture of safety and support.

Completing a 3Rs Method Guide Sheet is not a form of punishment, but a process through which children can make meaningful and lasting changes to their behaviour.

As educators we realise that this way of doing things takes more time than simply giving the child a punishment. However we believe that

‘Behaviour is shaped by the sum total of regular and frequent lessons that create small but meaningful changes over a long and sustained period of time’

Wilson McCaskill

Our aim is to assist students in understanding their behaviour and how it affects everyone in our school community. As a whole school we need a comprehensive understanding of the following terms and how they support and affect our Behaviour Education and Student Self-Management policy and expectations.
A Common Language Understanding for Our Community

Consequence: The effect that my behaviour has on myself and other people

Our focus is on educating students to understand how their behaviour can affect themselves and others and reflect on the possible outcomes before deciding to act. Consequences and punishments are not the same thing.

What We Do

Restitution: A means to undo the damage and reconnect with your community. A means to rebuild trust.

When students behave inappropriately, they are given the opportunity to reflect upon their decisions and how those decisions have affected themselves and others. They are also provided with an opportunity to make amends and/or restore the damage.

What We Resist Doing

Punishment: The deliberate inflicting of physical or emotional discomfort, pain and/or fear to control behaviour. Delivered after the event.

Our focus is on educating students to change their behaviour based on their understanding of how it affects others, rather than on the fear of punishment.

We are here to help children, not hurt them.

We ask for your support in our use of the 3Rs Method and invite you to discuss concerns or queries you may have. We also ask you to talk to your children about the 3Rs Method when they learn about it in class.

Cory Pearce
Principal

Jo Stevens
Assistant Principal

Julianne Wilson
On behalf of Prep Team

Lisa Maxwell and Mirren Aitken
On behalf of the Year 1/2 Team

Claudia O'Neill
On behalf of the Year 3/4 Team

Stephanie Fellow
On behalf of the Year 5/6 Team

Lara Atkinson
On behalf of the Specialist Teaching Team

111 Forest Road, Ferntree Gully 3156. P. 9758 1662 E. Ferntree.gully.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
2016 Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge is soon to open and Ferntree Gully North is excited to be participating.

The Challenge will be open to all Victorian children from birth to 16 years in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by September 14.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or ‘experience’ 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

If you would like your child to participate, please return the attached privacy and consent form. Please ensure that each child has their own form. There will be spare forms in the office or classrooms. All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and can choose to have their name included on the online Honour Roll.

For more information about the Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge and to view the booklists, visit: [www.education.vic.gov.au/prc](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc)

Challenge Classroom Helpers: Positions Still Available!

Helpers required for Prep W, 1/2H, 1/2I, 1/2K, 1/2M, 3/4A and 3/4M

As it takes time to enter the students into the Challenge data base, on the website, we need one parent classroom helper for each class. Training will be available (TBA). Basic computer skills are required. Helping would involve maybe 1 hour per week, in a time that suits you (and in consultation with the grade teacher). You will need to have a current ‘Working with children’ check. Fill in form below, if you can help.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon, Wendy Barr (Reading Recovery Teacher)

2016 Victorian Premier’s Reading Challenge Helper Nomination Form

I would be interested in being a Grade Challenge helper, for the grade/s listed below:

Parent’s Full Name (Print): _______________________________________________________

Parent’s Day-Time Phone Contact: ______________________ / ______________________

Parent’s email Contact: _______________________________________________________

PREFERRED GRADE: __________ NAME OF CHILD: __________________________

PREFERRED GRADE: __________ NAME OF CHILD: __________________________
Welcome to the annual Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge. Reading is an essential life skill for everyone and the Challenge encourages families to be actively involved in supporting children to read. The Challenge invites children and young people to read a set number of books and record their efforts online. It’s a great way to get them talking about reading with friends and family, and to push themselves to read as many books as they can. Join the Challenge today and discover new authors, get expert tips, book recommendations and more. Participation is free. To find out more about the Challenge and access the booklist visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

Like us on Facebook to share tips, literary articles and recommended reads www.facebook.com/VicPRC

2016 Privacy and Consent Form (Schools and Early Childhood Settings)

By signing this document, you agree to the TERMS and CONDITIONS outlined below. These include consent for your child to participate in the Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge and for their name to appear on a certificate of completion and for their name to appear in the online honour roll. Please note that the child’s name only will appear on the certificate and online Honour Roll with no other identifying factors. Participating schools appear as a separate list.

Child’s name (Please print): …………………………………………………………………… Date of Birth: ……………………………

School: …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Year level: ……………………………… Yes ☐ No ☐ I consent to my child’s name appearing on the online Honour Roll

Parent/guardian name (please print): ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

Parent/guardian signature: ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….. Date: …………………………………………………………………………

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Definitions: Department refers to the Victorian Department of Education and Training, Person refers to the child/adult listed below in the consent declaration.

1) Privacy Protection

The Department takes its privacy obligations seriously and any personal information collected or used by the Department will be handled in accordance with the Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014 (Vic). This law sets out what we must do when the Department collects, uses, handles and destroys personal information. Personal information includes personal details such as an individual’s name and school that could be used to identify an individual.

2) Collection, use, disclosure and storage of personal information

If you provide your consent your school or early childhood setting will collect and disclose your child’s first and last name, and the name of the early childhood setting or school to the Department. The Department will then:

● Use the information to register your child and to generate an online account (through which school age children can record the books that they read);

● Publish your child’s name and year level on its online Honour Roll located at: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc at the completion of the Challenge with no other identifying factors such as school name.

● Give the name of your child to Finsbury Green Pty Ltd ABN 52 007 743 151 who will then disclose to a 3rd party for the purpose of printing Certificates of Achievement.

3) Accuracy, access to information and withdrawal of consent

The Department will endeavour to ensure that any personal information held about your child is up to date and accurate. You can access, correct and withdraw personal information held by the Department by written request in accordance with the Department’s Information Privacy Policy located at: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/privacypolicy.aspx

Consent may be withdrawn at any time by writing to the Department’s Privacy Unit on: privacy.enquiries@edumail.vic.gov.au .

If you have any questions about this form, or if you need more information, please contact the PRC Challenge Coordinator at the Department readingchallenge@edumail.vic.gov.au or (03) 9637 3624.

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Parent Library Helpers Needed

If there is anyone who is interested in contacting books or assisting in the library on a Monday afternoon please email Belinda Gillie Kemmer on gillie.kemmer.belinda.l@edumail.vic.gov.au. Any help would be greatly appreciated!

ART NEWS

Today the Grade 3/4s were lucky enough to meet visiting artist Alisha Henderson of ‘Sweetbakes’ fame. Alisha taught a water-colour biscuit workshop where many aspiring cake designers created some magnificent masterpieces.

Sweetbakes.net.au

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How to order School Photos

Aussie School Photos take multiple images of each student on photo day to provide you with more choice and greater value.

Order forms and envelopes will come home to you usually 2 weeks in advance of photo day.

There are 3 methods available when ordering photo packs:

1. Place your order on-line prior to photo day using the unique WEB LOG-ON CODE printed on your prepayment order form.

2. You can complete the pre payment order form. Include your cash, cheque or credit card payment in the envelope and have your child hand it to our photographer on photo day.

3. You can choose to wait for 5 working days to go on-line to VIEW the images and CREATE a package to suit. Please tick the ‘order later on-line’ box on order form and hand to our photographer on photo day. Orders must be placed within 14 days of photo day to avoid postage charges.

4. If you do not wish to purchase photos, please tick ‘not buying photos’ under pack selection and have your child hand envelope to our photographer on photo day.

5. SIBLING PHOTOS. Will be taken on a pre paid basis. Consent/pre payment forms provided for the eldest child who should be instructed to present it with payment to our photographer at time scheduled for sibling photos. Check with school office for Sibling photo times.

www.schoolphoto.com.au

All queries should be directed to the photos@schoolphoto.com.au

Customer Service: 97076655.
Movie Night

Movie Night, Postponed.

Well as we all know last week’s movie night was unfortunately postponed to the 15th April. This is the first Friday back of the new term. This will mean an earlier start which may suit many families better as daylight savings will have finished. We expect the weather to cooperate this time and the night to be a wonderful experience. Please hold on to your wrist bands and keep them safe. Times will be announced the first day back of the term through the Tqibiz app and the newsletter. We expect the times to move 1 hour earlier, thank you for everyone’s patience with the changes.

Family tickets can still be purchased up until Thursday 14th of April

Tickets are still available on the night. Adults - $8, Children $5, Children 3 and under are free.

All pre-purchased ticket wrist bands were sent home last week, Tuesday 15th March, with the eldest child
Passive fundraisers

There has been some changes made to one of our Passive fundraising partners, THE GOOD GUYS BAYSWATER. We now ask everyone who makes a purchase at this store to please sign up for a store membership. This is free, and registers your name and you as a member of our school community to be able to receive the Bayswater Bucks for the School, so please don’t forget!

FERNTREE GULLY NORTH PS:

These are the words we would love you and your family and friends to use when next shopping at one of our schools linked Fundraiser Company’s. Every dollar helps and these companies support our school by donating money or goods to the school.

Don’t forget if you haven’t purchased any labels or stickers for the kids clothing or school supplies remember Identity Direct (34310)

Add this code at the checkout and the school will receive 20% of the purchase total donated as a bonus to the school.

Easter Raffle donations please

We are asking for donations towards our annual Easter raffle. If you could please donate anything with an Easter feel. Maybe some yummy chocolate, a toy or snacks. Just think of some small item that you might like! We then will combine all the donations into some lovely hampers for drawing at the terms final assembly.

A number of raffle tickets have been sent home. So for the small price of $1 per ticket, you can go in the draw to win a hamper!

Please leave all donations at the office and we thank you in advance for participating!
Ferntree Gully North Primary School OSHC, 21st March 2016

Welcome to OSHC,
Dear Parents and School staff,

Tips for helping children (and parents) feel comfortable in after school care:

1. For safe arrival of children from Year 1 onwards to OSHC, let the child, teacher or school reception and coordinator know if you are running late.
2. For Preps, the Team member will collect the children from their respective class.
3. Please let the Coordinator know by calling and leaving a message if the child is registered for Before or After School Care, and that they will not be attending.
4. It would be recommended that you enrol your child online 48 hrs prior to attending after school care. If your child has any allergies or medical condition, please inform us or come and speak to the Coordinator a day or two prior.
5. Come into the program with your child to meet our Camp Australia team and find out what kind of activities they can look forward to.
6. Feedback and suggestions are welcome, so, let us know how your child felt after their first visit.
7. Encourage your child to talk to the Educators if there is something in particular your child would like to do when they are in our care.

We're here to make After School Care visits the best experience possible, for you and your child. If you have any questions about the program please feel free to drop by, meet the team and see what happens in After School Care first hand.

Program Details

In the lead up to Easter the children will have opportunities to work on various Easter themed activities including making Easter eggs from play dough and decorations. We've already started on our Easter display! Which you are welcome to check out on the OSHC glass window! We will also be constructing an Easter egg holder, baskets and some other fun activities. On the last day of school, we will do some baking. During the past two weeks the children have been involved in activities such as: face painting, making play dough by using colours they like, building their own Easter egg with recycled paper and aluminium foil, and last but not least creating a soft toy-bat.

End of Term 1 of School

On the last day of School for term 1 the After School Care Program will run from 2:30 pm to 6:00 pm.

Holiday Club

Bookings are now open for the March School Holiday Club. For more information or to book go to www.campaustralia.com.au

To find out more about our program, view fees and to register visit www.campaustralia.com.au

Juhil Aghicha - Camp Australia Coordinator - OSHC Number: 0423794680

visit www.campaustralia.com.au
I would like to share some pictures from the past two weeks of the program.
# Ferntree Gully North Primary School

## Gully View

### CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

**School Name**  
Ferntree Gully North P.S  
4718  
**School REF ID**

**Parent/legal guardian details**

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<th>Surname</th>
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<th>Address</th>
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**Contact number**

- Centrelink pensioner concession OR Health care card number (CRN)
- Foster parent OR Veterans affairs pensioner

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).*

### Student details

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I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- This consent, once signed, remains valid if my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET as that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and/or State Schools' Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.
- You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

**Signature of applicant**  
**Date** / /
CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student’s eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
  - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR;
  - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
  - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian’s concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (27 January 2018) or term two (11 April 2018).

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: $125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: $225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child’s school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student’s date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
   Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
   If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veteran Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.

2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.

3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.

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Blackburn High School High Achievers’ Program for Year 7, 2017
Applications are now open.

How to Apply
Applications are online at [www.blackburnhs.vic.edu.au](http://www.blackburnhs.vic.edu.au)

Test date:
Saturday 14th May 2016, 8:30am for 9:00am start Concludes 12.00pm (Noon)

High Achievers’ Program Information Evening
Tuesday 19 April, 2016 – 7.00pm – 8.00pm at Blackburn High School
The Information Evening is an opportunity for parents to learn more about the program and the examination and interview process.

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Ferntree Gully North Primary School
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2016 OPEN NIGHT
Tuesday 19th April 2016 – 7pm
COLLEGE TOURS: Wednesdays 9:15am-10am
Saturday 5th March 9:30am-11:30am
To register for a tour, please go to [www.heathmont.vic.edu.au](http://www.heathmont.vic.edu.au)

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FAIRHILLS HIGH SCHOOL
TUESDAY 22 MARCH 2016

Parents, prospective students and friends are warmly invited to attend Fairhills High School Information Evening. Discover why our school should become your school.

Special Performing Arts Presentation
The night begins with a formal presentation commencing at 6.30pm in the Performing Arts Centre with a musical performance followed by an address from the Principal. Guests will then be invited to tour the school where they can speak to representative teachers, parents and students about their experiences at Fairhills High School and view a display of the students’ work.

Visitors will be provided with information on:
- Transition programs
- Curriculum options
- Multiple Learning Pathways
- Acceleration programs
- STEM Academy
- Performing Arts Academy
- Sporting Opportunities and Basketball Academy
- Student Leadership Opportunities

Scaredby Road Knoxfield
Telephone 9758 5022
Email fairhills.hs@edumail.vic.gov.au

Discover Opportunities
Knox Artyfacts – Treasure Hunt

As a part of Knox Festival, Knox City Council is launching a treasure hunt called "Knox Artyfacts".

The event is designed to inform and inspire local people with regard to existing public art in Knox. The competition uses a method of adventure and exploration, to engage in with various art installations located throughout the Knox Region.

- The competition will be entirely conducted online through Facebook.
- Entry is free and is open for people of all ages are welcome to participate.
- From the March 7 - April 25 every Monday, we will be posting a riddle & clue on Knox Artyfacts Facebook event page.
- People will have 7 days to complete the riddle. If you can solve the riddle you will get the chance to win some of great prizes!
- Winners will be notified by Knox Artyfacts Facebook event page.

How to enter:
- Join Knox Artyfacts event page on Facebook.
- https://www.facebook.com/d/events/173211932702045/
- Find the task of the week.
- Complete the task.
- Post answer to the even page.

Intimo lingerie are partnering with Share the Dignity in their mission to provide homeless and at-risk women with the basic necessities of sanitary items and bras, hoping to one day put an end to the indignity associated with homelessness.

Do you have pre loved Bra's in good condition that are just sitting in your lingerie drawer? Have you considered donating them to this initiative?

My name is Katie Todd and, as an Independent Intimo Lingerie Stylist, I am a Collection Agent for this partnership. I will be placing a collection point at Ferntree Gully North Primary School. Why not bag up your Bra's and drop them in the bin located in the office for me to collect.

Please help me in giving a little bit of dignity back to women in need.

If you have any questions please contact me on 0499 528 769 or katie.todd@intimo.com.au.
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**ATTENTION JUNIOR FOOTBALLERS!**
**EASTERN RANGES**
**SCHOOL HOLIDAY TRAINING CAMP IS HERE!**

Join our School Holiday Training Camp!
April 1 9.30am - 3.00pm

The Eastern Ranges are holding a development and testing holiday program for all junior footballers aged between 12 and 15.
Registrations now open!

**PROGRAM INCLUDES**
- AFL Dual Combos style testing including AFL agility, 20m sprints, vertical jump and more
- Skill development session with Eastern Ranges coaches
- In-season and Pre-season fitness testing report
- Certificate of completion

**DETAILS**
- **DATE:** April 1, 2016
- **VENUE:** Ferrymead Secondary College
- **EASTERN RANGE:** Ferrymead's Way, Rowville 3174
- **AGE:** 12 - 15 year olds
- **COST:** $150 per player
- **REGISTRATIONS CLOSES MARCH 29**

**REGISTER HERE!**
**LIMITED CAPACITY!**

**KNOX BASKETBALL**

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Knox Basketball recently conducted a Basketball Clinic at your child's school. As a result of your child's expression to participate in the clinic, we would like to provide you with some information to assist your child in joining a basketball club in your area.

Enclosed you will find information about the basketball club affiliated with your child's school, including contact details for club representatives who can assist with registration and participation.

In addition to our extensive Schools Program and the Knox Basketball Junior Domestic Competition, we also conduct a number of other Introductory programs. These include; Mini Drills (ages 3 to 5), Mini Headers (ages 5 to 8) and our basketball for All Abilities program. All these programs are tailored for children of all abilities and all ages.

We provide a fun and enjoyable introduction to basketball.

If you believe your child would benefit from any of these programs, please contact myself or our 039431 3252 during business hours, or email contact@knoxbasketball.com.au. Places for these programs are filling fast, so registering your child early is advisable.

Basketball is a fun sport and a great way to exercise, with lots of running and jumping that provides a good physical workout. The social benefits of playing basketball include making new friends, learning about working as part of a team and it can be played by people of all ages.

Please do not hesitate to contact the staff at Knox Basketball if there is anything we can do to assist your child in joining a basketball club nearest to you.

By joining a regular clinic with Knox Basketball, your child is joining the largest competition and most successful Association in Australia.

Kind regards,

Joel Carson
Basketball Development Manager

Knox Basketball

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Streton Art Awards 2016

Upwey High School is proud to host the 2016 Streton Art Awards. Entries are now being for all five categories for the 2016 event. The exhibition for the Streton Art Awards will take place in the Later Years Centre at Upwey High School from Saturday 16 April to Wednesday 20 April.

The awards have five categories in 2016-

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All mediums of work are accepted. There is a general theme of 'Community, Environment and Culture', however all work will be accepted and entered into the exhibition. Primary school entries have no set theme.

Entries can be completed either on-line at www.upweysartsfestival.com or a representative from Upwey High School can collect entries from the primary school from each primary school.

Entry is free into the competition and free entry to view the show. Prizes are proudly donated by the Yarra Ranges Council. Entries close Thursday 14 April.

Upwey High School Art and Music Festival

On Saturday 16 April, Upwey High School will be hosting the opening of the Streton Art Awards. In conjunction with this, there will be a free music concert, food stalls, market stalls and other entertainment. It is going to be a big day for Art in the Dandenong Ranges, with the 'Open Studios' event also taking place. This is a great opportunity to see the future artists of our community showcase their work. The exhibition and Festival operates from Midday to 4pm. Parking for the event is via the school entrance on Marchant Avenue.
Ferntree Gully Community Arts Centre & Library

April School Holiday Program 2016
Exciting Easter Holiday Fun

Week 1

Tuesday 28 March
Pottery on the Wheel
Create beautiful ceramic bowls or vases to take home and learn the techniques of pottery or order your own
Time: 10:30am - 11:30am, 1:30pm - 2:30pm
$12.50 per child
Bookings essential

Week 2

Tuesday 4 April
Pottery on the Wheel
Create beautiful ceramic bowls or vases to take home and learn the techniques of pottery or order your own
Time: 10:30am - 11:30am, 1:30pm - 2:30pm
$12.50 per child
Bookings essential

Wednesday 5 April
Pottery Make a Greg Gilmore or an interesting ornamental School Art project
Time: 10:30am - 11:30am, 1:30pm - 2:30pm
$12.50 per child
Bookings essential

Thursday 6 April
Juggling with Joggly
Learn how to juggle with some easy juggling techniques and make a juggling cube. Juggling will be played with magic tricks and puzzles.
Time: 10:30am - 11:30am, 1:30pm - 2:30pm
$12.50 per child
Bookings required

Friday 7 April
History Time: Build a Bucking Bull or Samsung School Art project
Time: 10:30am - 11:30am, 1:30pm - 2:30pm
$12.50 per child
Bookings essential

Weekend 11 March
Thursday 11 March
Kangaroo With Trust
Come and have a close-up look at our Kangaroo and learn how to make trusty friends.
Time: 10:30am - 11:30am, 1:30pm - 2:30pm
$12.50 per child
Bookings required

Friday 12 March
History: Science: How can you turn a light bulb on and off?
Time: 10:30am - 11:30am, 1:30pm - 2:30pm
$12.50 per child
Bookings required

Some activities have a limited places so book early to avoid disappointment!

For Bookings
Phone 9758 1662
Email Ferntree.gully.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Or visit us at Ferntree Gully Community Arts Centre & Library
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