CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAR
14  FREE Behaviour Workshop – 123 Magic
14  Year 7 experience day – Mitchelton SHS
15  Due date for Scholastic Book Club orders
19  P&C AGM – 6.30pm staffroom
20  FREE DRESS DAY – WEAR ORANGE
27  Cybersmart Parent presentation 5.30-7.30pm @ GPAC
28  Due date for 2013 Montessori Fees

APR
20  Craft Day. 2.00-10.00pm @ GPAC
24  ANZAC DAY Performances – Combined Schools Band

MAY
19  RSPCA Millions Paws Walk Fundraiser

STAND TOGETHER 2013 ACTIVITY
Most bullying situations include ‘bystanders’ - other people who watch or are nearby at the time the bullying takes place. Bystanders respond ‘communicate’ the school’s culture and values about behaviour; how bystanders act when they see bullying serves to either endorse or challenge the behaviour. Active bystanders will use words and/or actions that can help someone who is being bullied.

The role of bystanders in bullying is complex. The appropriate way to intervene is different for each situation and for every student. Students need to know that their school supports active bystanders and respect each student’s judgment about their own safety and the appropriateness of taking actions in a bullying situation.

CYBERSMART PARENT PRESENTATION
Parents/carers are invited to a Cybersmart Presentation to be held on Wednesday 27 March at GPAC from 5.30-7.30pm. This presentation is not suitable for children. All parents and carers are welcome.

SCHOOLKIDS BONUS
If you received a family or income support payment, including Family Tax Benefit Part A, you could be eligible to receive $410 a year for each primary student and $820 a year for each secondary student, with half paid in January and half paid in July. The Schoolkids Bonus replaces the Education Tax Refund (ETR) and is a much simpler scheme. You no longer need to collect receipts and payments are made automatically so you don’t have to wait months to make a claim via your tax return. Unlike the ETR you can choose how you use the payment to best support your children’s education – whether it be school books, stationery, uniforms, school fees or excursions. Check your eligibility by visiting australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus and if you think you might have missed out on the January payment, contact Centrelink – either in person at Centrelink-Medicare Office or by calling 132 468.

INVITATION TO OFFER
Grovely State School has two pianos which are no longer used and are now being offered for sale.
1. Beale (Bijou model) acquired 1974
2. Stroud (unknown model) acquired 1980
The pianos are being offered on an “as is” basis. Removal of pianos from school site would be the responsibility of the successful purchaser. Inspections will be 8.00 – 8.30am Friday & March, Tuesday 12 March, Friday 15 March and Tuesday 19 March. All offers must be placed in an envelope marked “Confidential” – Offer for Advertised Piano (1) or (2) Please contact Di Lowe or Vicki Baker if you are interested in these pianos and would like to inspect.

FINANCE MATTERS
As the end of Term 1 is approaching we are following up payments which are now due.
Montessori Education Fees $500 (or outstanding balance)
Student Resource Scheme $70 / $73 (including Religious Education Levy)
Instrumental Music $180 (for students hiring a school instrument) / $100 (own instrument)

Payments may be dropped into the Office anytime. We process money on Friday morning and receipts are sent home via the children. Please complete any paperwork necessary and return with payment. Paperwork may include:
- Montessori Program 2013
- Student Resource Scheme 2013
- Instrumental Loan form / contract

Thank you for your prompt attention.

LOST AND FOUND
The lost and found basket at the back of administration is OVERFLOWING with various items including lunchboxes, food containers and clothing. Please have a look and see if any of these items belong to your children. Any unclaimed/unnamed items will be disposed of at the end of the term. Please ensure you name all of your children’s belongings.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION
LEUKAEMIA WORLD’S GREATEST SHAVE – Albany Creek Leukaemia Group is holding two Shaves this year on Thursday 14 March from 1.00pm-4.00pm at Charter Hall (Coles) & Sunday 17 March from 2.00pm at Eatons Hill Hotel. If you wish to participate in the Shave (Shave/Colour), Register online - http://www.worldsgreatestshave.com/ or contact Kate 5318 4457, Kaye 3624 9056 for further details.

LOCAL HOCKEY CLUB – Arana Ascol Hockey are looking for a few more girls to fill their Under 12 & Under 13 teams. For further information please contact, Loraine (0409 280 766) aranascoott@gmail.com or Margie (0419 680 229 marigendrewz@bigpond.com)

SAVER PLUS will match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to $500. You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or a Pensioner Concession Card, a child at school or starting next year, some regular income from work (you or your partner). For more details contact Andrew Green on 3115 6228/0429 925 860 or andrew.green@thsatm.hl.net.au

JFK (Just for Kids) is held each Thursday afternoon from 3.30-5.00pm for primary school kids. Held at Grovely Christian Church, 38 Woking St Mitchelton just of Canley St, opposite the school on Dawson Pde. Each week will have a theme with fun, food and activities. Thursday 7 March – Sticky Tape & Thursday 14 March – Price is Right
For more information contact Merieda Livimore on 5351 6007 or 0401 052 615.

“NO STRINGS ATTACHED” COMMUNITY CONCERT BAND are calling on all adult and high school instrumental band musicians to come along, have some fun and make some noise. You will understand what your child has to overcome to be able to play an instrument, meet new people and share something special with your child. Free lessons on your child’s instrument are available 6.15-6.45pm on Mondays evenings in GPAC until the end of term. Call Myra Janickich on 4030 761 531 or email mjjanickich@gmail.com

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ANIMAL EMERGENCIES
Acts of cruelty or neglect – RSPCA Inspectors 3426 9971 or 1300 852 188, DPI call centre 3289 3311 or your local police station.
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