Welcome Back
Welcome back to all families from what we hope was a relaxing and enjoyable break. Term 4 is always a great term where we see students applying what they have learned throughout the year. Once again we have an action packed term ahead of us so buckle yourselves in and enjoy the ride!

World Teachers’ Day
Friday 30 October 2009

World Teachers’ Day provides a great opportunity for students and the school community to acknowledge the highly committed teachers at their school. We hope you will use this occasion to show teachers how much you appreciate all they do for our school.

Buildings
As you have probably noticed we now have a large amount of dirt filling the area where the new building will go. The ground level has been raised considerably ready for the building process to start in the next few weeks.

Hats! Sunsmart
It is that time of the year when all students are required to wear their school hat for all outside activities. Whilst we may be a little lenient this week, as everyone adjusts back to this school rule, next week we will be strictly policing our, No hat! No play! arrangements. Students not wearing the approved hat will be asked to remain in the designated shade areas during outside activities. Please support us in ensuring that students have their hat with them everyday.

Appreciations
A special appreciation to the Little, Nicholls, Collins, Jirik and Miller families for making sure that the renovated building was cleaned and all the furniture was clean and in place for our lovely new junior area. It is now all ready and fresh for the start of term.

Thankyou to Mark Perry for getting the school lawns in order after they grew so much in the Spring rain. In amongst all the building work the school is still looking great.

Prep Transition
This Wednesday we start to welcome our two new classes of Prep children to the school. This is always an exciting time for new families and we are looking forward to meeting all our new children.

The Importance of Play
The famous Swiss psychologist, Jean Piaget, once remarked, “Play is the child’s work.” It is important that children have some ‘down time’ and just enjoy being children and playing, as only children can.

Have a great week
Tessa Calder
Shopping Trip

Highton Primary School Parents Club invites you to an exciting day out on our Melbourne Shopping Tour Saturday 31st October 2009. Leaving from Highton Primary School 218 Roslyn Road Highton. DEPARTING: 7:15am RETURN: 7:15pm approx COST: $55.00 per person. TOUR INCLUDES:

- Outlets for books, chocolates, toys, cosmetics, electrical goods, jewellery, leather goods, kitchen & giftware and more
- Shop for Christmas presents and bag lots of bargains
- Travel in comfort on a bus with a friendly hostess. No worries about parking or getting lost
- A fun day with other like-minded shoppers and make new friends
- Great raffle prizes to be won
- Enjoy our parents club’s famous morning tea
- And there is more….lunch at a restaurant and it includes bottomless champagne during the meal!

If you are interested in joining us on our shopping adventure please see Lyn in the school office to put your name on the list and pay by Tuesday 20th October. Please give Kate Fletcher (Ben & Luke’s mum) a ring on 0408 396 829 if you have any questions.

Please see the back of the newsletter for a list of the outlets we will be visiting.

Uniforms

Highton Primary School is justifiably proud of the appearance of the school. Visitors always comment about our lovely grounds, the lack of litter and our beautiful gardens.

Another important aspect of the school is the fact that we have a set school uniform that should be worn by all children. Just a reminder that now we are moving into warmer weather we need children to be wearing correct uniform that can see them through from a chilly morning to a warm day. If your child is wearing a school dress they need to have tights or socks on their legs, not leggings or pants as these are not school uniform. If they feel this would be too cold they can choose not to wear a school dress and wear bottle green pants and a school windcheater or school jacket over a school shirt. With the warmer weather shoes still need to be closed at the toe, NO SANDALS please as these are not safe in the playground.

We know it is getting towards the end of the year and things are getting a little worn out, but if items of uniform have a hole in them they tend to look scruffy and an iron on patch can help to see things through until the end of the school year. Please make sure all items of uniform, especially windcheaters and jackets, are named as they often get left outside as the day warms up and can only be returned if they are named. If you need a uniform list please see Lyn or Gaylene at the office and they will help you.

Tsunami & Earthquake Fundraiser—23rd October

To help raise some much needed funds for the Tsunami & Earthquake victims we are holding a Casual Dress Day On Friday 23rd October Gold Coin donation (larger amounts greatly appreciated)
See notice board for more details

- **Milo in2 Cricket**: Cricket registration at Barrabool cricket club on **October 16th** at 5.00P.M. for season 2009/2010 suitable for children ages of 5-9 years the program will run on Friday nights at 5 P.M. for 1-1½ hours cost $55 per child.

- **Who wants to be a Trivia Champion**: Friday Oct 9th. @ Drumcondra Bowling Club 7P.M. $10 per head. Contact Joyce Taylor @ Hope 52267269. bpbp@barwonhealth.org.au. This is a major fundraiser for Hope Bereavement Care so be in it, let your hair down and bring your friends.

- **Highton Junior Cricket Training** for U/13’s commences Wednesday September 30, Training for U/11’s commences Monday October 5, at McDonalds Reserve, Reynolds Road, Belmont., 4:30 – 6:00pm Competition commences early October Contact: David Wilson U/11 & 13 willos.5@bigpond.net.au 03 5243 5125 0425 865 250

- **After School “Kids Club”**: at St John’s Anglican Church Highton. Fridays during term four 3.30-5.30. Launch is on the 9th October from 3.30 with a jumping castle and face painting. Cost $3 per child. Phone Steve on 52433561 or go to www.stjohnshighton.org.au

### Community News

- **October Wednesday 7th**: Parents Club meeting 7 pm
- **Saturday 31st**: Shopping Tour 7.15 am
- **Friday 9th**: Grade 2 sleepover & Grade 1 Camp Experience
- **Monday 12th**: Gym starts Preps, 1 & 2 students
- **Tuesday 13th**: Gym starts for Year 3 & 4 students
- **Thursday 15th**: Sorrento excursion - Preps
- **Wednesday 21st**: Geelong Cup Day Holiday

### Basketball

Our two school basketball teams commence their season this Thursday at the Life Be In It Centre Crown St. Sth Geelong. **Highton Tigers** game is at **4P.M.** and the **Highton Dingoes** game is at **5.20**. We wish both teams luck.

### Christmas!

Are you looking for a unique gift that can make a difference to the world? The school office has a copy of the TEARAUSTRALIA World’s Most Useful Gift Catalogue along with order forms. Gifts start from $5 with the purchase of school supplies, fish farming or eye care for someone in an impoverished nation. You then will receive a gift card with a photo and a description of the item you purchased to pass on to your friend, relative or even teacher. This is often a gift our staff members enjoy receiving from our students at the end of the year. Please come to the office to look through the catalogue and collect an order form.

### Italian Phrase of the week

Cosa avete fatto durante le vacanze?

What did you do during the holidays?

### Sport

Good luck to Pierce Robinson and Megan Rabie who will compete in the Moneghetti Region Track and Field Event on Friday.

### For your Calendar

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### Canteen Roster

**Week commencing 12th October**
- Jocelyn Mackay 9 - 11.30

### Sickbay Roster

**Week commencing 12th October**
- Claire Laws
Highton Primary School Shopping Tour Itinerary


Stop 2. Morning tea outside the outlet

Stop 3. *Toy Networx* – GST added at Point of sale. – Games, craft, action figures, pre-school toys, outdoor toys, kites, stationery, pool toys, jigsaws, Big Brands.

Stop 4. *Classica Kitchen & Giftware* – Quality Kitchenware, cookware, and an extensive range of kitchen tools and utensils, bakeware, silicon bakeware, cake tins, frypans, woks and much more.

Stop 5. *Royal Nut Company* – raw and roasted nuts, dried fruits, spices, beans, pulses, lentils, peas, coffees, confectionery, blossom waters and more.

Stop 6. *Mamma Vittoria’s (Restaurant meal)* – Sit and relax over a 2 course meal. A delicious red and white meat meal with vegetables served on a 50/50 basis, followed by a dessert. Tea, coffee and a cold drink – includes bottomless champagne.

Stop 7. *Social Club Books* – Selected best selling or popular titles, cookery, children’s, novels, educational, reference. Also notecards, calendars and stationary.

Stop 8. *Breville Kambrook* – Blenders, juicers, kettles, toaster, frypans, slow cookers, irons, sandwich presses, extension cords. Power boards, and more.

Stop 9. *Natio* – Skin care, cleaners, scrubs, moisturisers, bath products, cosmetics etc.


Stop 12. *Home Direct* - Sheets, Doonas, pillows, throws, cushions, valances, mattress/pillow protectors. Towels, beach towels, tea towels, bathroom accessories, bathrobes, slippers, Major Brands.

Stop 13. *Siricco* - Leather and travel goods, including, handbags, belts, umbrellas, backpacks, overnight bags, wallets, purses, gloves with many known brands.

Your seat on this great day out can only be reserved by your payment of $55 per head at the school office. Seats are limited so please don’t miss out. Family, friends and neighbours most welcome to attend.

There is something for everyone on this fun day out, come along and get your Christmas shopping started (or if you are terribly organised FINISHED)!