From The Principal

Last night our After School Sports program began. It was great to see so many excited students waiting to learn how to play Basketball and Soccer. A huge thank you to Tania Crook, our Physical Education teacher who has organised this term’s activities and developed such strong partnerships with coaches from organisations outside our school so they come and coach our students.

Interschool sports also begins this week with our school playing away at University Park Primary School. If you would like to watch our Interschool teams play you are more than welcome to attend. Games generally start around 9:30am and finish just before 11 and are held at either our school or the school our students are competing against. We have included a copy of the draw in this week’s newsletter for you so you know where our students are each week. From time to time the game may be cancelled because of the weather or because the other school has another commitment for the week— if you are unsure just call our school to find out if the game is going ahead.

As mentioned in last week’s newsletter we have begun to implement The Leader in Me at our school. Last week we provided every family with an A4 flyer that you can display at home that gives an overview of the 7 Habits. To help you when talking to your children about the 7 Habits we have decided to feature a Habit a week in our newsletter so you too can take the opportunity to implement them at home as well.

The first habit is **Be Proactive**. Being Proactive means having a ‘can do attitude.’ If we are being proactive we choose our actions, attitudes and moods. We don’t blame others. We do the right thing without being asked, even when no one is looking. This is a great time of the year to focus as a family on being proactive because it’s when we all begin to set up our routines again for a new year at school.

Regards,
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Term 1 Program - New Families Welcome!

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Thank You!

Thank you to Arjumand (Hadi Prep C & Ali 1/2B) and Lifeng (Alvin 1/2B) for helping to water the garden during summer school holidays.
PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Welcome to 2016 and to our new Parents, Welcome to Stevensville. My name is Tania Crook and I will be your child’s Physical Education Teacher this year. I run a number of programs throughout the school including After School Activities for the Gr 3-6’s (at this stage), a PMP program on Fridays with the Preps (and would love some parents to come and support the program by having a laugh with the kids, throw a ball to them, or turn a skipping rope. Very simple, but loads of fun!), Interschool sporting competitions, as well as Interschool sports with the 5/6’s on Friday mornings, just to name a few.

Please come and see me if you are able to help out in any of these activities throughout the term/year.

Children are expected to wear a hat during all sports in terms one and four.

This term our agenda for Interschool Sports is:

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Parents are welcome to attend and support their child during these competitions, but please remember our values and good sportsmanship codes.

Interschool Sports permission notes have been given to students - Please sign and return them before Friday.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL:
Our District swimming carnival is on Wednesday 24th February 2016 at the St. Albans Leisure Centre. If your child is in Grade 3-6 and can swim 25 meters of either Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke or Butterfly, (without stopping and be able to start in the deep end of the pool) and they would like to compete at this event for Stevensville please send me a short note confirming their swimming ability and which stroke they are competent at. Unfortunately we do not want children attending who may get into difficulty in the water and in turn lose all their confidence in swimming.

Looking forward to working with you and your students in 2016.
Tania Crook
Physical Education Specialist
Reporting Student Absences

If your child is going to be absent from school parents need to:

- Phone the school on 9366 1381,
- Tell someone in the office, or
- Send a note or medical certificate to the class teacher when the child returns to school.

If you are your child / children are going to be away in the future (e.g. family holidays), please send a note or contact the office as soon as dates are confirmed.

Each month we are sending home absence letters for students who have unexplained absences. If you receive one of these letters please write the reasons for the absences, sign the letter and return it to school.

Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Do you have a current Health Care Card or Pension Card?

You may be eligible for the CSEF payment which will pay for all your children’s excursions and activities during the year. Please bring your Health Care Card or Pension Card to the office and you will be able to complete an application form.

Table-Top Mondays!

Starting from Monday the 15th of February Year 5/6 are invited to attend a fortnightly Lunchtime Gaming session in the Italian Room. Board games and card games of various topics and difficulties will be available, students may come and go as they please.

Signorina Lyons will be running a small group to teach a different game each fortnight; for this specific group students will need to sign up Monday recess in the Italian Room.

**Term 1 Teacher-led Games:**

15/2/16: Magic The Gathering (Card Game)  
(8 students)

29/2/16: Carcassonne (Map Building, Table Top Game)  
(5 students)

14/3/16: Munchkin (Role Playing Card game)  
(6 students)
Leaders of the Week
To be presented at Assembly this Friday.

Prep C  Ismail Jamaldeen
Prep M  Lazar Manev
1/2A  Kirat Kaur
1/2B  Puneet Kaur
1/2C  Leanna Do
3/4F  Kayla Spiteri  Andrew Tjung
3/4H  Lian Ceu Hnin  Harry Trinh
3/4Y  Stacey Manukau-Tipene  Tin Meng Sangpi
5/6B  Zain Ashraf
5/6M  Ceejay Holland
5/6S  Ruby Glaser

Art
Italian

PE
Reading Recovery

Dahn Wehyee
Leon Do
Loang Aweng
Bella San Pedro

Good Citizen Award

Uniform Shop
Opening Times

Monday 8:30am - 9:00am
Thursday 8:30am - 9:00am

Order forms are available from outside the office.

Cash Only - No EFTPOS

Habit 1
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Canteen Reminder

Lunch orders are to be written on a paper bag with the money placed inside.

Please write your child's full name and room number on the bag.

If you do not have a lunch order bag please add $0.10 to the total of your order and a bag will be provided.