From The Principal

Nominations for School Council vacancies for this year are now open. School councillors serve for a 2 year term and can come from both our parents and staff. **We currently need 3 parents to fill vacancies for this year.**

School Council oversees the policies of the school and is a great opportunity for parents to support both the Principal and staff in providing the best educational outcomes for our students. If you are interested in joining the School Council, please collect a nomination form from the office and **return it by 4pm Monday 22nd February.**

This week we will introduce to you the 2nd habit - **Begin with the End in Mind.** Beginning with the end in mind means that we plan ahead and set goals. We do things that have meaning and make a difference. We realise that we are important and look for ways that we can be a good citizen.

One example of how this is already happening in our school is that this week, as part of our Leader in Me initiative we have started a Garden Gurus group in our school. This group is open to students and parents who would like to help us maintain the smaller gardening jobs on a weekly basis.

Currently each week a list of tasks is written on a piece of large paper and displayed on the pinboard near the PE storeroom. If students would like to or have some time to spare, and parents too, they can access the gardening tools to complete the list of jobs for the week.

So far this has been very positive with a couple of parents and students beginning Monday morning before school sweeping up around some of our buildings. Some of our ES staff members are also using the recess and lunch break times to work with small groups of students to complete the tasks. Of course the more the merrier, so if you have a few minutes to spare when you are dropping off or picking up your children feel free to help yourself to the tools and tick off a job!

Just a reminder to parents that while we are happy to celebrate the birthdays of our students at school we ask that parents not send along food items to share such as lollies, chocolates or cakes. We have a number of students who have allergies to a range of foods and for some this is life threatening. Some suggestions could be balloons, bubble blowers, party blowers (but not the poppers please!) or stickers.

Regards,
Michelle Huggan
huggan.michelle.m@edumail.vic.gov.au

**General Notices**

Breakfast Club starts next Monday.

Homework Club starts next Wednesday.

Prep students do not attend school on Wednesdays in February.

The canteen is now open every day for lunch orders and sales at recess and lunchtime.

The Leader of the Week awards printed in this newsletter will be presented to the students at assembly this Friday.

**Year 7 2017 Open Days**

Marian College 8th Feb
VUSC 7th Mar

Stevensville Primary School
52 Kings Road, St Albans, 3021.
Tel: 9366 1381 Fax: 9367 6775
Email: stevensville.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Website: www.steveps.vic.edu.au
## Term 1 Program - New Families Welcome!

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### Cuppa & Chat Parent Support Group

**Thursday 18th February at 9.15am**

All parents are welcome to come for a chat and some yummy and/or healthy morning tea.

See Kate in the BER Building.

(PSG will meet fortnightly)

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### Stevensville P.S. Community Hub

**Friday, 9:30 am to 10:15am**

*(School Term only)*

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### Brimbank Sustainable Living Expo

**Saturday 20 February 2016 10am-3pm**

Westvale Community Centre, 45 Kings Road, St Albans

This is a no charge event; food and other items for sale on the day. Arrive in sustainable style, bus, bike or walk (bus route 420). Don’t forget a lock and chain for your bike.

Turn over the page to see the full event program.

For more information, call 9249 4665
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.

Leaders of the Week

To be presented at Assembly this Friday. Assembly Hosts - 3/4F

Prep C  Hadi Sadozai
Prep M  Long Tran
1/2A  Cooper Batson
1/2B  Julian Popovski
1/2C  Hanan Ahmed  Danail Georev
3/4F  Jordan Lo  Hevani Loloa
3/4H  Tina Tran  Keepy Seephan
3/4Y  Kim Pham  Phi Tran
5/6B  Cindy Seephan
5/6M  Angelique Psarreas
5/6S  Andrew Ha

Art  Bill Sehweah
Italian  Long Tran
PE  Ta Bawi Hlawn Chin
Reading Recovery  Musa Naveed

Good Citizen Award

Judy Purcell

Habit 2

Begin With the End in Mind

Finish

I plan ahead and set goals. I do things that have meaning and make a difference. I am an important part of my classroom. I look for ways to be a good citizen.
PE - Melbourne Storm Tickets
Thank you for the warm welcome offered to the Melbourne Storm players Will Chambers, Felise Kaufusi and Ali Tuai. On behalf of Melbourne Storm, thank you for having us at your school for the wellbeing presentation. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. As a special thank you, we would like to offer you a FREE ticket to come and support us at AAMI Park this season! Follow this link to redeem your ticket. http://ems.gs/3mPA0dibxHO
Can’t wait to see you there,
Cooper and Francis

Homework Club
Hey everyone, Homework Club is back in action! Starting next week on Wednesday from 3:30pm to 4:15pm in Room 1. Students can come and get help with any of their work or have someone different to sit and read to. We highly encourage students to come on down and ask any questions and get support from the teaching staff. If there are any questions or concerns from both parents or students feel free to contact Miss Blair in Room 1. I look forward to seeing you all there. Thank you.
Miss Blair (Room 1)

Breakfast Club
Breakfast Club is back! It will be starting next week on Monday, from 8.30am to 8.50am, in the BER building. We are looking for volunteers to help with the setting up of the breakfast club. If you would like to help just pop in to the BER after 8.25am. All help will be greatly appreciated!
Thank you.
Miss Cindy (Room 17)

Mother’s Day Stall
If there are any parent volunteers who would like to be on the Mothers Day Stall committee, please see Kylie Bonello. There will be a meeting next Wednesday 24th February at 3.45pm, in Room 15, to choose and start ordering items for the stall. Hope to see you there!
Miss Kylie (Room 14)