As you are aware the school fete is coming up. If you have a spare hour on Sunday 11th March to help at your child’s classroom stall at the fete. All the teachers require assistance to run their grades stalls on the day.

We sent home a small basket to each family on Tuesday. We have asked families if they are able to fill the basket up with a selection of items to be sold at the fete. All donations are greatly appreciated.

The wrist bands for the fete are now available at the office at a low price of $15.00. All school families, including siblings who do not attend school are also able to purchase the wrist bands. On fete day the bands will cost $25.00 or $5.00 per ride.

A reminder about the raffle, if you require more tickets they are available at the office.

There are three great prizes on offer. First prize is the Samsung 51” HD 3D T.V. 2nd prize a freestanding BBQ and 3rd prize a Micro Hi Fi.

The new school leaders were announced at assembly on Monday. We congratulate the following students on their appointment to these very responsible positions;

Bus Captains: Rhyll bus – Chelsea McNamara, Ventnor Bus – Saffron Cooney
Art Captains: Caigan Meade & Jessica Pavert
Sport Captains: Brodie Anderson, Billy Taylor and Danielle Sprague
Computer Monitors: Riley Wilson & Hannah Whiting
Library Monitors: Jackson McKenzie & Chelsea Vivian
Drama Captains: Mitchell Fallaw & Chloe Aldie
Environment Monitors: Olivia Drazzi & Billee Campbell.

At Monday nights School Council meeting a Student Mobile Phone Policy was ratified.

**Rationale:**
Mobile phones and recording devices are not covered by school insurance and may be a temptation to some children. Mobile phones can be a distraction to students learning and playing whilst at school. To remove any temptation for students to video, photograph or record other students whilst at school. To remove any temptation at cyber bullying during school hours.

**Implementation:**
Students will be encouraged not to bring mobile phones or recording devices to school, however if parents require their child to bring a mobile phone to school then they are to leave it at the office on arrival and collect it on departure. Mobile phones and recording devices need to be clearly labelled.

Thank you to those parents who have sent in books, mystery bottles, second hand goods and are supporting the 5c –athon for the fete. Room 2 are running a Penguin Tin stall, similar to a lucky dip. If you have any trinkets that you would like to donate to the fete please send them to Room 2. The tins are 5cm x 8cm.

Please complete the form attached if you are able to assist us on Sunday March 11th and return to your child’s teacher with the time available so they can make up a roster.

Sue Becker
Principal
**Pool News**
Welcome back to another term of swimming. We have had a great start to the year with the senior school spending the first swimming week preparing for the school swimming carnival. The carnival was a great success with many promising swimmers showing their talents. The junior school spent their time familiarising themselves with the water and working on their stroke technique. A special thank you to Brendan Hickman, who was our fantastic race starter for the swimming sports. Brendan then gave up his time to come back the next week to do it all again for the district sports.

Goggles are now on sale at the office for $12. If children wish to wear goggles for swimming they need to provide their own.

The pool is looking for any donations of old bathers and rash vests if anyone has any at home that they are looking to get rid of. We are in desperate need of girls bathers.

Please either drop them into the office or to Miss Tyrrell.

Swimmers of the week for the first two weeks of term go to Ashleigh Owens, Kalib Graham, Taryn Galea, Regan Duffy, Claudia Caroleo and Noah Bee-Hickman, please see Miss Tyrrell or Mrs Duyker for your prize at the pool.

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**After School Program**
The families who use ASHP are required to complete an enrolment form for 2012 and pay the yearly enrolment fee of $5 per family.

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**Canteen News**
The new canteen menu for 2012 was given to students recently. Please disregard previous menus. Please take time to read the new menu as the prices and selections have changed.

- **Friday meal deal has increased to $5.50**
- Try our new Mrs Mac’s good eating spiced apple squares or apple custard squares $2.20

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**Parents’ Club News**
The Parents’ Club would like to thank Bakers Delight for providing the bread for the Swimming sports. It was most appreciated.

2012 Meeting Dates: (2.30pm start):
March 19th
April 23rd
May 21st
Jun 18th
Jul 23rd
Aug 20th
Sep 17th
Oct 15th
Nov 12th
Dec 10th

**Aims of Cowes Primary School Parents’ Club:**

- to encourage the participation of all parents in the life of the school
- to contribute to the wellbeing of the school community by fostering community spirit between school families
- to foster connections & support for families new to the area and the school
- to encourage a sense of pride through fundraising for projects to enhance the school environment
COWES PRIMARY SCHOOL - FETE – SUNDAY 11th MARCH

Our school FETE is less than 2 weeks away!!

Our goal this year is to make this year’s Fete the biggest and best yet – but we need your help!

We are now seeking donations of:

- 2nd Hand Goods – no electrical goods please
- clothing
- toys
- books, DVDs & CDs – sorry no magazines, encyclopedias or textbooks
- mystery bottles (Room 11)
- basket items – baskets were sent home on Tuesday
- lemons for the pancake stall (Room 20)

It doesn’t matter how small your contribution – every little bit helps, even 1 hour of your time on a stall on Fete day will be greatly appreciated.

We will need lots of helpers to work on stalls on FETE day as it is our major fundraiser for 2012.

Please return: ………………………………………………………………………………

We NEED your help! Please choose your preferred time below. If you have more than one child and you’re able to assist in more than one of the allocated times then please indicate below

Please return the slip with your eldest child.

I am able to help at the Fete at:

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Cowes Primary School

Fete 2012

Sunday 11 March 10am to 2pm

A fun day for all the family with all our old favourite:
Devonshire Teas
BBQ  Hot Food
Pancakes
Fairy Floss
Homemade Cake Stall
Mystery Bottles
Show bags
Craft Stall
Pre-loved Books, Clothes & Toys
Plants & Produce

AND for the first time
An exciting new 30 M Giant Slide & Bungy Run

Raffle– 1st Prize a Samsung 51’ Full High Definition 3d T. V. recommended retail price $1199.
2nd Prize a freestanding BBQ valued at $399.
3rd prize a Panasonic Micro HiFi valued at $299.

*** Pre-purchased wrist bands for rides will be available at a special price of $15. (On the day bands will be $25) or $5 per ride.

Hope to need you there! 159 Settlement Rd, Cowes.
Student of the week

Room 1  Oscar Barclay
Room 3  Jennifer Sokac
Room 4  Paige Bennett
Room 5  Kaitlyn Treacey
Room 6  Jorja Newman
Room 12 Hannah Simmons
Room 13 Amelia Crooks
Room 15 Elijah Fokkens
Room 18 Jaimie Haringsma
Room 21 Stephanie Hamilton
Room 22 Yves Robertshaw
Mr. McKenzie Taaj Purdey
Cow Pat Lotto

Cowes Primary School Fete

Buy a plot for the Cowes Primary School Fete COW PAT LOTTO!

$10.00 per plot

The number of the plot in which the cow makes a deposit will win $200 prize money. If the deposit covers more than one plot, the plot with the majority wins. If the deposit is split evenly, the money will be divided evenly. Get in early for your chance to choose a number and be in the running for the prize money. Plots are now for sale in Room 5.
Cowes Primary School Fete Wristbands
This year we are again offering early purchase of all-day wristbands for the rides at the fete to Cowes Primary School students. The cost to purchase a wristband now is $15 per child. (On fete day the wristbands will be $25 each and single rides will be $5 each). This entitles each wristband wearer to unlimited rides. If you would like to purchase wristbands please fill in form below and send to the office with money. The wristbands will be given to your child/ren.

SURNAME..............................................

Amount enclosed ......................................

1) Student...........................................  2) Student...........................................

3) Student...........................................  4) Student...........................................

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Fete Raffle tickets
The eldest child in the school received a book of raffle tickets recently. Please call in at the office if you require another book or complete the form below and sent to the office.

Name.................................................................Phone..............................

Child.................................................................Room Number..............
Room 11
Needs
Bottles
Of all shapes and sizes,
With a variety of contents
for
LUCKY
BOTTLES
Anything you would like to win
in a bottle e.g. vinegar, wine,
lollies, perfume, sauce, topping
etc or anything else that comes
in a bottle or you can put in a
bottle.
Kilcunda–Wonthaggi Fun Run
Costs are:
3km walk/run, 5km walk/run and 10km run $25 (with T-shirt)
15km run and half marathon (21.1km) $35 (with T-shirt)
Under 16 $10 (entry only)
Under 8 entry by gold coin donation. T-shirt $20
For more details log onto www.basscoasttri.com

Annie’s coming to town
Starring Anthony Warlow & Nancye Hayes.
Tuesday 10 July & Tuesday 31 July
Show ticket & coach
$87.00 Concession & Child
Adult $112.00
Full payment on Booking
Phone 5952 1042

Phillip Island Fun Shed
Tuesday—Friday 10am to 2pm
Saturday/Sunday 10am to 4pm
Indoor Playground, jumping castle/Slides/Café.
A fairy or pirate room for birthdays.
Phone 5952 5152 . 91 Settlement Rd, Cowes.
funshed@waterfront.net.au

Zumba for kids is back in Cowes!
with Miss Jojo starting Thursday February 23rd
4:00 - 4:30pm - 4 to 6 year olds
4:30 - 5:15pm - 7 to 12 year olds
Cowes Cultural Centre (next to info centre)
$7 per class / $36 for 6 week term
Call Jojo on 0433 767 987 for more information.

Phillip Island Cub Pack
Are you 8-10 years old? Interested in having fun, being adventurous and doing something out of the ordinary?
Then the Phillip Island Cub Pack is for you.
Ring Wendy on 5956 8776 for more information.

Tuesday Junior Tennis
Term 2 24th April 8 weeks
Term 4 16th October 8 weeks
4pm—4.45 7—12 years
5pm—6pm 12+ years
Please call Bill 5952 5626.
Cowes Cultural Centre (next to info centre)
$7 per class / $36 for 6 week term
Call Jojo on 0433 767 987 for more information.

Bakers Delight
Thank you to Bakers Delight for providing the bread for the Swimming sports. It was most appreciated.
Carer Self Care and Support Group
Interchange Central Gippsland with the support of Uniting Care Gippsland is running a carer support group for carers of children with a disability. The group is a great opportunity to meet carers with similar experiences and aims to assist carers in looking after themselves. The group will learn about different disability and community supports and will hear from a range of guest speakers from different service providers. The group will also have the opportunity to continue meeting once the four sessions are completed.

Eligibility: Parents, Carers and Families of children with a disability, residing in South Gippsland and Bass Coast shires.

Dates: Wednesday 7 March, Wednesday 21 March, Wednesday 4 April and Wednesday 18 April, 2012
Time: 10am – 2pm.
Where: Leongatha Community House, 16 Bruce Street, Leongatha.
RSVP: To Cathy Brooker by Wednesday 29 February, 2012. Ph: 5662 0925 or 5127 7979, or email cathy@icg.asn.au
Cost: NIL
Other: Bookings are essential as places are limited. A light lunch and refreshments will be provided at each session. This project is made possible through the support of Uniting Care Gippsland who is funded by the Australian Government under the Communities for Children Program.

Amber’s Mobile Hairdressing
Providing style and sophistication at affordable prices 0437 224 898.

Wonthaggi & District ASD Support Group
Supporting parents and carers of children who have autism
Parents and carers of children who have an Autism Spectrum Disorder (autism, aspergers syndrome, pdd-nos etc) are warmly invited to attend the following meeting of the Wonthaggi & District ASD Support Group.
The group meets on the first Wednesday of the month during school term.
Next meeting:
When: Wednesday 7th March 2012
Time: 10.30am til 12.30pm
Where: Inverloch Community Hub
Large meeting room that opens out to the playground.
16 Abeckett Street, Inverloch. All welcome (including kids) to join us for a cuppa and a chat. We also carry information on services in the local area that are available to families. Any enquiries, please call Julie on 5657 4248. or Franki on 0410 645 613, email: franki@hopkinsdesign.com.au Yvonne Waite - Parent To Parent Gippsland. Supporting parents of children with disabilities through information, support, Self advocacy and linking with other parents. Providing disability information to professionals.

Work hours: 8:30am - 4pm Mon - Thurs
p: 03 51 353 131 // m: 0430 209 641 // freecall: 1800 010 453 // f: 03 51 356 140
PO Box 3032 Gippsland Mail Centre Vic 3841
carry information on services in the local area that are available to families.
Any enquiries, please call Julie on 5657 4248. or Franki on 0410 645 613, email: franki@hopkinsdesign.com.au

Jazz Reaction Dance School
Classes starting Thursday 9th Feb. Come along and have some fun, only $9 per class.
Junior 3.45 till 4.45 4-7y/o
Sub Inters-4.45 till 5.45 8-10y/o
Inters-5.45 till 6.45 11 and over
Venue -Cowes Primary School Gym. Phone Lisa on 59521393 for more information or just come along.

Housekeepers/Cleaners Wanted
Cowes Resort requires housekeepers for regular Friday work. Experienced required but training available on site. Working hours between school drop off and pick up.
Contact: Heidi or Stuart Hawking
Phone 59 52 2188 between 9am & 5pm

Tennis Lessons for Adults
Don’t let the children have all the fun! Want to get fit? Want to meet people in a fun friendly environment? Want to learn the basics of tennis? Then this is for you!
Sessions are as follows:
Inverloch Monday 7.45 to 8.45pm
Leongatha Tuesdays 1.30 to 3pm.
Korumburra Wednesdays 1.30 to 3pm
Phillip Island Fridays 1.30 to 3pm.
To book simply email Matthew Pocklington via email: info@southgippslandandtenniscoaching.com.au

Phillip Island Soccer Club
Training starts 1st March all at Newhaven Oval 4.30pm
7’s 9’s 11’s. Enquires contact Daren 0412 349 893.

Wonthaggi Netball Association
2012 Registration Day
To be held at Wonthaggi Netball Courts, Korumburra Road, Wonthaggi
Thursday, 1st March - 4:00pm to 5:00pm
Thursday, 8th March – 4:00pm to 5:00pm
Net Set Go (5 to 7 years): $60.00
Juniors/Under 18’s: $90.00
18 years & over: $110.00
Cost (includes court fees & VNA Insurance)
2012 Competition commences Saturday, 21st April
All fees and insurance must be paid on Registration Day, either 1st or 8th of March.
Coaches, Umpires and Net-Set-Go Helpers required.
Netball shirts for sale $20 each
If you have unused netball skirts at home, bring them along bagged with name and price to sell.
Please phone Vicki on 0417 711 301 if you have any queries.

Phillip Island Golf Club
The Phillip Island Golf Club Junior Development Program is to promote the game of golf within the local community. The aim of the JDP is to provide professional tuition for children to encourage the correct skills from the start. The clinics will teach the children the basic fundamentals of the golf swing - which will last a lifetime. As well as developing their golfing skills, they will learn course etiquette, social skills and good sportsmanship. Classes will commence on Wednesday 22nd February and will continue on a fortnightly basis.

Where: Phillip Island Golf Club - Settlement Road Cowes.
Time: 4.30pm sharp to 5pm.
Cost: $5 per clinic.
Bookings Pro-Shop Ph (03) 59 52 1121