DATES TO REMEMBER:

MONDAY 3rd NOVEMBER
TUESDAY 4th NOVEMBER
CURRICULUM DAY (no students at school)
PUBLIC HOLIDAY (no students at school)

FRIDAY 7th NOVEMBER
TUESDAY 11th NOVEMBER
FRIDAY 14th NOVEMBER
FRIDAY 21st NOVEMBER
THURSDAY 4th DECEMBER
WEDNESDAY 10th DECEMBER
TUESDAY 16th DECEMBER
WEDNESDAY 17th DECEMBER
FRIDAY 19th DECEMBER

2015 PREP VISIT 12:15-1:15pm
YEAR 5 & 6 SWIMMING
PREP WERRIBEE ZOO EXCURSION
YR 6 GRADUATION TICKET PAYMENT DUE
YR 6 ADVENTURE PARK EXC PAYMENT DUE
YR 6 ADVENTURE PARK EXCURSION
YR 6 2014 GRADUATION CEREMONY
2015 YR 6 CAMP FINAL PAYMENT DUE
LAST DAY OF TERM 4 FINISH 1:30pm

PLANNING FOR 2015

We are currently making detailed plans for classes and staffing for 2015. If your child/children are transferring from Westgrove at the end of the year please let the class teacher or the office know. Many thanks to those families who have let us know already that their children are leaving.

EDUCATIONAL MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

As reported widely the current arrangements for families eligible for EMA will no longer operate in 2015. All schools with a Student Family Occupation score of 0.65 or greater will receive additional funding in their budgets to support disadvantaged families. Westgrove has an SFO score of 0.68 so will receive some additional funding next year. Many families have been asking what the cessation of the EMA scheme will mean for them. Please be assured Westgrove will be using the additional funds to support needy families. School Council will be discussing the details of how this will be done at its meeting on November 11th.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Parents Association fundraising activities for term 4 are:
Tigers club raffle 31st October, 7th November & 14th November
State election 29th November sausage sizzle
Fete day special effort and stall 5th December

Tiger’s Club Raffle

The first night for the Tiger’s Club Raffle is coming up on Friday 31st October. If you are interested in volunteering to help with this, it only requires an hour of raffle ticket selling to Club members who are eager participants and no ‘Working with Children check’ is required. It is a great fund raiser for the school and all proceeds go to improved facilities and equipment for our students. Please leave your name and number at the office if you are able to assist or catch one of our parents association ladies before or after school.
The two other nights are Friday 7th and 14th November, if an alternative date is more suitable.
PREP 2015 TRANSITION

We will have our 2nd Prep 2015 visit on Friday Nov 7th, 12:15-1:15pm.

SUNSMART HATS

The wearing of SUNSMART HATS is now compulsory. Please have a look for your hat at home and at school so that you have your hat ready to go for all of the outdoor activities.

CANTEEN

Leanne’s featured snacks for this week are jelly and fruit cups. Simple but very yummy! These are made on the premises and are popular with many of our students.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please be reminded that all students are expected to wear the appropriate school uniform every day. Girls are also reminded that skorts are included in the school uniform policy but netball skirts are NOT and therefore are not to be worn at school.

3 – 4 HOOPTIME

Congratulations to our 3-4 Hooptime team who won the grand final on the Metro Championships last Thursday. Even though they were the shortest team their defensive pressure and tenacity was too much for the opposing teams. Brontie and Max were unstoppable on the day. We now move on to the state finals. The players were Max, Brontie, Jayda, Aaron, Apipun, Jessica, Seham, Hayden, Jacob, Nash and Matilda. Thanks to all the families who supported the team on the day!

STUDENT LEADERS

We would like to acknowledge our Student Leaders who have done an amazing job over the last few weeks in particular. These students helped to oversee the disco last Tuesday and provided excellent support, supervision and role modelling to the rest of the students. Last Friday we began our Prep 2015 transition process. Our Student Leaders were on hand to meet our visitors and show them to their rooms with a welcoming smile. Well done to all of the students involved. We are very proud to have you representing Westgrove!

COMMUNITY CORNER

FOOTSCRAY HOCKEY CLUB

Footscray Hockey Club will be running Hook-In2-Hockey Come& Try Sessions for NEW players during Term 4, with details as follows:

- **Wednesday – 5 November, 5:30 to 6:30pm**
- **Wednesday – 12 November, 5:30 to 6:30pm**
- **Wednesday – 19 November, 5:30 to 6:30pm**

Hockey sticks and shin guards are available for use by new players if required. Please arrive 10-15 mins early if you need to have a hockey stick fitted.

**Location:** McIvor Reserve, Fogarty Ave, Spotswood. For any further information please contact Hook-In2-Hockey Coordinator Belinda Passmore - 0400 495 839 or Belinda.passmore1982@gmail.com

POINT COOK HOMEWORK HELP

This free club aims to give assistance with curriculum based homework and studies. Runs Thursdays, 4-5pm during school terms

**Where?**
Point Cook Library, 1-21 Cheetham St, Point Cook

**What do you need to bring?**
Your homework, textbooks and stationery.

**Who are your tutors?**
Community volunteers with experience in coaching and assisting students with curriculum based homework. All volunteers have working with children checks.

**Enquiries:**
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