**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

Dear Members of the Glen Waverley Primary School Community,

Welcome to another very exciting and information packed newsletter! As usual so many marvellous things have occurred at our wonderful school over the past fortnight such as:

**Facilities Update**

*Our New School Library* - I am extremely pleased to report that work on our new school library is progressing well. Recently the reading pit was completed, additional shelving built, the final sections of the carpet laid and some new signage installed. If all goes according to plan the library should be completed by the end of the term and then we will commence moving in early next term (if not sooner).

**Signage in the car park** – thank you to those members of our school community who have commented on the new signage in the car park and sports fields. We have erected signs depicting the required speed (5 km/hr) and also information pertaining to the use of the turning circle.

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**SCHOOL LUNCH ORDERS**

Lunch orders are available from school five days a week  
The service is provided by Gourmet Delish 9808 9838
Menus and ordering procedures can be obtained from the School Office.

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

Situated in the West Wing on the School Grounds  
Open Monday between 3.00 – 4.30 pm
Closed Public Holidays and School Holidays
Please bring your own bag for purchases as we are an environmentally friendly school
Orders may be left with the office – these must be in an envelope marked with the child’s name and grade together with payment, correct monies are appreciated.
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT (Cont’d)

Curriculum Day
Last Monday we held an outstanding Curriculum Day with Numeracy (Mathematics) consultant Michael Ymer. The day was spent revising and learning a great deal more about the Australian Curriculum, tasks that target particular concepts and also the components of an effective Mathematics lesson. The day was an enormous success thanks to the wonderful planning and organisation of the members of our school’s Maths Team (Mr Kitch, Mr Warren, Ms Teoh and Ms Wang).

School Plaques
It is wonderful to have the school plaques updated as they proudly display the names of the 2013 School Leaders. The plaques are a very important not only in a historical sense but also as a means of promoting and recognising the wonderful work and effort our outstanding student leaders undertake throughout our school. Included are some photographs of the students with the plaques. If families would like to take a photo of their child with the plaque please do not hesitate to see Ms Dale, Mr Kitch, Mr McDonald or myself and we will be more than happy to help you.

After School Tennis Program
Last Friday afternoon we held the first after school tennis lessons for the term and it really was wonderful to see the large number of children who are participating in the latest addition to our school’s extra-curricular programs. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and it was great to see how quickly their skills were developing. As part of the program the children receive a t-shirt and a tennis racquet which they all were very pleased about. If you are interested in your child joining the program please contact or see Mr Knott (PE teacher) or contact Steve Blundell (tennis coach) on 0412 873 492 or steveblundelltennis@gmail.com.
Getting to Know You Interviews - Parent Teacher Interviews
Thank you to the families who were able to attend the ‘Getting To Know You’ interviews over the past fortnight. The staff are very appreciative of the time that parents have given to these meetings and truly believe that they have gained a great deal from the sessions. This type of meeting strengthens the partnerships that we develop each year. If you were unable to attend please contact your child’s teacher and make an alternative time to meet. I must congratulate our staff for their dedication and commitment to the students at GWPS, I am extremely proud of the staff and the time and effort they give to providing the very best learning environment for our children.

Vacation Care Program
As reported in the last newsletter, our school has been granted permission to implement our very own Vacation Care (Holiday Care) program which will commence during the forthcoming April holidays. Included in this newsletter is an overview of the program and the associated costs. Please be aware that ALL FAMILIES are entitled to a 50% rebate (which is not means tested) plus a further rebate which is determined by your family’s 2011-2012 annual taxable income. If you have any questions pertaining to the Vacation Care program please do not hesitate to contact or see Grace (OSHC coordinator) or me at school.

Cultural Diversity Week
Cultural Diversity Week is one of the most important weeks in the state calendar as Melbourne (and Australia) is very multicultural. As we are all aware, so is our school as we represent 35 different nationalities. This year we plan to celebrate our cultural diversity with a number of really exciting events as indicated in the table below.

We are also extremely fortunate and proud to announce that Chin Tan, the Chairperson of the Multicultural Commission of Victoria will be visiting our school on Tuesday 19\textsuperscript{th} March. He will view our special Multicultural assembly, then be interviewed in our TV studio, tour the school and also remain for morning tea with the staff. We are the only school he will be visiting during Cultural Diversity Week which is another outstanding achievement for our school. Congratulations to everyone at our fantastic school! Included in this week’s newsletter is a timetable for Cultural Diversity Week.

Congratulations Srihari
Congratulations to Srihari (Harry - 4SW) for achieving first place in the Junior Division of the 2013 Round 1 Spellmasters Competition. This now qualifies him for the Junior Grand Final which will be held later in the year. Congratulations and well done Harry!

Booktopia and Norwegian Principal’s Donations
It is absolutely wonderful to see the collection of books in our school library continue to grow. Recently we received a donation from the on-line bookstore, Booktopia, and also the Norwegian Principals who visited our school recently also provided us with a number of books. A sincere thank you to Booktopia and the Oslo Education Department for their very kind and generous contribution to our school.
Prep (Foundation) Children and the Prep Family’s BBQ
This week our preps have attended school full time staying each day until 3.30pm. They have done a marvellous job and have certainly settled in very well. I would like to remind parents that as each week passes by the children will begin to feel more comfortable and truly connected to their new surroundings. However there may be days when all seems a little too much and the children may become teary or unsettled. Please be patient and always try to be positive and encouraging and remind them that you will be there at the end of every day to greet them!

The annual Prep Families BBQ was held last week and this too was another huge success with over 200 people in attendance. It was just wonderful to see the children, parents, grandparents and staff getting to know one another in a relaxed and inform manner. I would like to acknowledge the work of the Community Relations Committee is preparing and organising the BBQ and drinks and also our wonderful Prep teachers – Ms Donoghue, Ms Teoh and Mrs Gough.
School Uniform
It has been absolutely wonderful to see every student in full school uniform so far this year and a sincere thank you to all parents for ensuring this occurs. As everyone would be aware, a uniform provides a sense of belonging and pride in our school; from a parents point of view, it certainly makes selecting what to wear a great deal easier. A reminder that all students are required to wear their sun-smart school hat at all times this term and for the first few weeks of Term Two.

School Photographs
A reminder that the annual school photographs are being taken this Friday 8th March. Please ensure your child has returned the envelope as the photos are a wonderful memento.

School Council Update – over the past few weeks we have undertaken the annual School Council elections process and I am very pleased to announce the membership of our 2013 School Council is as follows:


Staff Representative: Darren McDonald, Kylie Bailey, Lisa Gough, Damien Kitch and myself

For those who may not be aware, the School Council members are the school community’s representatives and I strongly encourage everyone to become familiar with them so you can have any concerns or issues brought to School Council. I also take this opportunity to remind everyone of the School Council Noticeboard which is located on the external wall near the main school doors. The board contains copies of minutes and reports as presented at School Council meetings.

School Fees
Once again, a sincere thank you to all of the families who have settled their school fees. It really is wonderful to see all of the children have the necessary supplies for a smooth start to the school year. As a result of the overwhelming response we have recently installed an interactive whiteboard for the Mandarin classroom and ordered 12 laptop computers and 12 iPads for the Year 2 classrooms and refurbished the library – this would not have been possible if families did not settle their school fees – thank you everyone!

Long Weekend
A reminder that next Monday (11th March) is the Labour Day public holiday. I hope everyone enjoys the long weekend!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED A PRINCIPAL’S AWARD RECENTLY:

Prep LT: The whole class for completing wonderful handwriting
Prep LD: The whole class also for completing wonderful handwriting
Prep LG: The whole class for completing excellent work with the letter P – including making yummy popcorn!
1SR: Bilaal and Ameen for excellent Maths work and for making sensible choices
2RL: Jay for making really sensible choices with his reading
56K: Sneha for being an outstanding student in all areas of the curriculum, Thisari, Olivia Y and Olivia M for creating an amazing iMovie which they demonstrated to a large group of visitors to our school
6ND: Jai nam for an outstanding attitude towards his learning and for also completing amazing homework
6SY: Bhav for being a terrific helper
6LT: Dinith also for being a terrific helper
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT (Cont’d)

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to the following students who celebrated their special day during the second half of February:

0LD: Foeb 0LT: Saum 0LG: Sean
1SR: Chloe 1MB: Sam 1KG: Trisha
2CB: Nicole and Enuri 2RL: Rohan and Valerie
3DJ: Nethini 3KC: Klein, Chanuli and Lejith
4AJ: Sahi 4KB: Aki
4SW: Advaith and Sanduni
5SR: Racine, Brock and Emre 5JT: Muhammad
56K: Kavin 6ND: Craig
6LT: Robin and Arya
6SY: Manaal, Heather and Nancy

Wishing everyone a safe and happy fortnight,

Frank Catalano
Principal

KIDS CORNER

The Kids Corner section of this fortnight’s newsletter has been written by Srijay and Senudi the 2013 Environmental Captains.

Hello Everyone,

Our names are Senudi and Srijay and we are the 2013 Environment Captains. This year we plan to complete so many really exciting things for our school such as:

- Move the vegetable patches to another section of the school
- Build a sensory garden (where the vegetable patches are now) which we hope will contain:
  - Bird bath, waterfall (fountain), a maze, other things that promote our senses such as wind chimes and lots of different kinds of plants which we can smell and touch
- Oversee the School Improvement Days, the first one is going to be held on Wednesday 30th March. We hope everyone can come along and help us do some things around the school such as:
  - Planting the school car park, fill the sandpits and a general clean-up of the school
- Oversee a Green Squad (a group of children who will help us look after the school) and
- Pick some children who will be the “environment assistants”.

We look forward to a very exciting year where we will work closely with the children, teachers and parents. So if you have any ideas please make sure you tell us!
Dear Community,

Thank you to all the parents who attended. This year’s ‘Getting to Know You Interviews.’ This night provided the teachers the opportunity to talk to the parents of their students about the curriculum, routines within the classroom and what the students can expect to learn this year. We have received lots of positive feedback from the community about the evening. Thanks to the staff for their professionalism, enthusiasm and expertise on these days.

Harmony Day
Harmony Day is celebrated around Australia on 21 March each year. It’s a day when all Australians celebrate our cultural diversity. The day is also the United Nation's International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. Harmony Day is managed by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) and gives people the opportunity to celebrate what makes each Australian unique and share what we have in common. The continuing message for Harmony Day in 2013 is that Everyone Belongs, which means all Australians are a welcome part of our country, regardless of their background. It’s a time to reflect on where Australia has come from, recognising the traditional owners of this land. It’s also about community participation, inclusiveness and respect –celebrating the different cultures that make Australia a great place to live. DIAC supports a range of community events and activities held to celebrate Harmony Day by providing free promotional products. Harmony Day began in 1999 and since then, a wide variety of groups including sports organisations, community groups, local, state and federal government agencies, schools and businesses have staged more than 25 000 Harmony Day events. Over the years, Harmony Day has grown in popularity as Australians have made the day their own.

Prep New Families BBQ
We had a very pleasing turn out at the barbecue last Thursday evening. This was an excellent opportunity for our new prep families to get to know each other and mingle with staff. I would like to pass on a special thank you to the and staff who attended for giving of their time to make the evening a success.

Late Arrival
Regular school attendance and a punctual arrival to school each morning are important ingredients in developing positive, lifelong habits and maximising learning outcomes at school. When students arrive at school on time they get the chance to socialise with their friends before the day starts, as well as being part of the organisation and preparation for the day ahead in their classroom.
2013 GLEN WAVERLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL CAPTAINS

SCHOOL CAPTAINS
IZZA
RAJAT

SCHOOL VICE CAPTAINS
SENISA
LAHIRU

HOUSE CAPTAINS
FAWKNER
Pamali and Peter
LATROBE
Sinran and Amr

HUME
Mahek and Kelvin
MITCHELL
Aisha and James

CAPTAINS
ENVIRONMENT
Senudi and Srijay
ICT
Steven and Heshan

ART
Trevin and Binura
MUSIC
Minoli and Naveen

LANGUAGES
Nicole and Maddy
LIBRARY
Abby and Yohan

7th March 2013
Term 1, Issue 3
Congratulations to the following students who received the Specialist Award for the month of February:

**Chinese Language Achievement Award:** Millie in 2CB

**Musician of the Month:** Methuli in 3TA

**Artist of the Month:** Joelle in 1SR

**Sportsperson of the Month:** Darren in 3TA
In Year 3DJ we are enjoying **Smart 8** because it’s something new for us. We can work in a team and learn new skills such as keyboard, origami, card making or stop motion animation.

We love working with our **Buddies** in OLD and 6ND. Our Year 6 buddies showed us their ipads and we gave our Prep buddies their purple bears.

The **Year 3 Sleepover** is in Term 3 and we can’t wait!
Parenting Tips and Ideas – Frank Catalano

Recently I revoiced a link to a very interesting blog which I would like to share with everyone. It is from Michael Grose and it refers to the importance of reading to children:

READ DAILY TO KIDS - THE PROOF OF ITS BENEFITS
4 March

Posted by: Michael Grose

Recent research quantified what we’ve intuitively known about children and reading. That is, the more adults read to children from an early age, the greater the impact on their reading and thinking skills.

It was reported in The Age (3rd March 2013) that a longitudinal study by The Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research measured the link between the frequency of reading to a child and his or her development.

The study followed 4,000 children, aged four to five years in 2004 through to ages 10 and 11 and found that reading to a child six to seven days a week puts him almost a year ahead of a child who has not been read to. The study also found that children who were read to every day from a young age also have better numeracy skills in primary school.

The benefits don’t stop at reading to pre-school aged children. The study found that kids who are read to more often keep doing better as they age than other children.

The finding send a clear message to parents, and other adults such as grandparents – reading to children goes beyond a simple fun, bonding experience. It is perhaps the single most important activity you can do to give a child a head start in literacy.

As a former primary teacher and literacy consultant I’ve seen the benefits first hand of children who come from language and reading rich environments. Anecdotally, these children are streets ahead of those who come from language and reading deficient environments.

So, how can you help?

Stock up on your children’s book library at home. Establish a comfortable reading spot so that your kids associate that place with reading and books.

Make reading to your kids a habit. If you’ve wriggly boys who don’t sit still, keep the reading time short and make sure the books are of interest to boys. The grubbier and gorier the content the better, usually!

Make reading time interesting and fun rather than laborious and boring. That way your kids will always look forward to their reading time with you.

Make sure your kids take plenty of books on visits and sleepovers with grandparents, and other relatives. Let them know how important reading daily to children is.

Books make great presents so pass the word around that it would be most welcome for your kids to receive books that you can read to them.

If you are interested in obtaining additional ideas and resources on parenting please visit Michael’s website on: www.parentingideas.com.au
As a school who encourages our students to be global citizens, the Glen Waverley Primary School Junior School Council has organized our participation in the SIDS fundraiser event. All school children in NSW and Victoria will participate in this event - Red bag superstar event.

Each family will get a red donation bag which we will ask you to fill with any unwanted men's, women's, children's clothing, Curtains, linen, shoes, toys, books or any small household items you may put in the bag.

Please return your donations no later than 27th of March 2013.

When you return the donation bag you will have the chance to win one of the eight very cute and cuddly edition "bee bears".

If you require any additional bags please contact Mr Hudson or Ms Javidi.

Thisari 56K
On behalf of the Junior School Council
Glen Waverley Primary School’s
Cultural Diversity Week/Harmony Day Celebrations

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<td>Harmony Day is Thursday 21st March.</td>
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<td>Harmony Day’s motto is: <em>We all Belong</em> and this year there is a focus on “Our Stories”.</td>
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<td>Cultural Diversity Week Special Assembly: 9:05 to approx. 10:00</td>
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<td>Special guest: Chin Tan, Chairperson Multicultural Commission of Victoria</td>
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<td>- Sri Lankan, Indian, Greek and Chinese Dancing performances</td>
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<td>- Video presentation – Srijay, Manaal, Minuri, Steven and Kelvin have created a documentary about our school “Glen Waverley Primary School Multicultural and Proud”. The documentary will contain interviews with staff, children and parents as well as examples of our multicultural school at work.</td>
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<td>After the assembly Chin Tan will remain to tour our school and also be interviewed in our TV and Radio studio.</td>
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<td>Children are invited to dress in their national costumes, or colours representing their country of origin. Parents are invited to participate throughout the day. What has been planned?</td>
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<td>- 10 – 1:30 - The children will complete three rotations of Multicultural activities</td>
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<td>- At 1:30 we will all meet on the oval (or designated areas of the school if it is too wet or hot) and hold a multicultural picnic. Families are most welcome to join us.</td>
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<td>- 2:30 to 3:30 – the children will be completing a multicultural activity in their classroom. Once again, parents are most welcome to remain and participate.</td>
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Glen Waverley Primary School Holiday Club
774 High Street Road Glen Waverley VIC 3150
0422 009 098 (07:15-18:15)

Monday 1 April, 2013
No program

Tuesday 2 April, 2013
The Secret Garden
Activities include fun group games (outside in nature of course), getting arty with flora and fauna and more activities to discover the wonderful natural environment.

Wednesday 3 April, 2013
A Colour Explosion
Follow the rainbow to a treasure of activities coloured with the full spectrum of fun! We will be wearing blue, remember to wear your favourite colour too!

Thursday 4 April, 2013
Game On
Put on your game face and have lots of fun! There will be exciting group activities, show off your arts and craft making skills and use your imagination to make new disc.

Friday 5 April, 2013
Rio Carnival
Olá Amigos! Come feel the rhythm of the Samba as we celebrate Brazilian Carnival with instrument making, festive Brazilian games and jungle themed activities.

Monday 8 April, 2013
The Sky's The Limit
Up, up and away! Discover the magic of flight and master the forces of nature with activities focusing on the elements of the air, gravity and the atmosphere.

Tuesday 9 April, 2013
Splashing Around
Ring in the Thai New Year dancing, animal crafts and activities to celebrate the Songkran Water Festival. Experience the magic of Southeast Asia!

Wednesday 10 April, 2013
The Croods
Step back in time to the dawn of man and become a cave kid! The Croods (PG) is a great new film. There will be cave man dress-ups, paintings and an obstacle course. Please arrive by 8.45am

Thursday 11 April, 2013
Make Some Noise
Clap your hands and move to the beat, tune in and get loud! Today is all about creating sound in a new way. Join your friends for some exciting sound experiments.

Friday 12 April, 2013
Hogwarts
All aboard the Hogwarts Express! Share in the enchantment, wave your wand and cast a spell of fun!

* Daily Requirements: Children must bring their own lunch and refreshments (no nut products please) wet weather gear, art smock and suitable clothing for an active and sunsmart day.
* An afternoon fruit snack will be provided.

www.campaustalia.com.au
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Pottery for Children (8-12yo)  Places now available!!!

Children will be given set projects to complete until they are comfortable working with clay, then they are able to complete their own projects.
Parents are expected to help clean up once a term after class.  No class: 25/4

No need to wait till the start of term, start anytime with the cost prorated for the number of weeks left in term.

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Bookings are essential for this class on Ph: 9807 6011

Class held at Waverley Community Learning Centre
5 Fleet Street, Mount Waverley 3149
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**Mums’ Program**

**Only $35 for five weeks of group tennis coaching***

Tennis Victoria’s Mums’ Program is run by a Tennis Australia qualified coach which means that you will be in good hands to develop your tennis skills. In addition, save time and money on childcare by enrolling your child(ren) in the Tiny Tots program for just $15 for the same five weeks. Open to beginners and those who would like to resume playing tennis, the Mums’ Program allows you to take some time out for yourself and get fit and active whilst socialising with other mums in your area.

**Benefits of the Mums’ Program:**
- Improve your health, have fun and get fit
- No need to find or pay for childcare to participate
- Receive expert tennis coaching
- Save money as you don’t have to purchase any equipment to participate
- Get a great taste of Cardio Tennis and get involved with your local tennis club for a minimal cost

**Tiny Tots Program**

**Enrol your child in our Tiny Tots Program**

The Tiny Tots Program is targeted at children aged 3–5 and helps them develop fundamental motor skills whilst allowing you to participate in tennis, without the burden of having to find childcare.

**Program Registration**

To register for the Mums’ Program (and the Tiny Tots Program*), please contact your nearest venue. Places are limited so please register early.

For further information please contact Tennis Victoria on (03) 8420 8420 or visit: tennis.com.au/vic/play-tennis/getting-started.

*This program is open to new participants only.
**Subject to coach availability and mums must be participating in the Mums’ Program for their child to participate in the Tiny Tots Program.

“The program was fun and social, helped us all increase our skills and meet members of the community which was a bonus.” Susan Burley, Selby.

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**Information**

2nd April - 12th April 2013
RSPCA Education Centre, Burwood East

Please read our program information before making any booking.

**Enquiries**
03 9224 2286
E Education Department

**Schedule**

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**CHOIR VICTORIA**

**RECRUITING NOW!**

We invite all children aged 5 years and up to audition for the Victorian Boys Choir or Victorian Girls Choir @ Tintern in Ringwood East on:

**Saturday 16th March 2013**

Choir Victoria Incorporated is a performing choir employing excellent professional music staff to give your child the very best musical tuition in an atmosphere of great fun and friendship.

For an affordable musical and wonderful lifetime experience for your child, contact us to arrange a booking for your child's audition.

Contact: Sam 0417 531 128 or Ros 0422 568 100
Website: www.choirvictoria.org.au
Email: admin@choirvictoria.org.au

★★★ BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL! ★★★

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Highvale Secondary College
Capital Avenue, Glen Waverley
Melway Ref Map 62 F10
Telephone: 98035144  Fax: 98034310
Email: highvale.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au
www.highvalesch.vic.edu.au
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Backyard Eco Solutions

There has been a resurgence in interest in old skills, sustainable living and DIY with people wanting to "get back to basics". Many are realising that those are important and are now looking to gain skills in these areas and to make productive use of your backyard.

Basic Backyard Bees

Are you thinking about keeping bees in your backyard, but don’t know the first thing about beekeeping? This day will have you buzzing after we answer your questions and show you what you need to know about these fascinating little creatures that happily go about producing your fruit and vegetables and even honey for you. Please bring a pen & paper.

Sunday 9:00 - 12:00noon
Term 1 3 hrs 19/5 $30

Keeping Poultry in the Backyard

Love the idea of fresh, free-range eggs? Thinking about keeping chickens in your backyard but don’t know where to begin? Come along & learn the basics of keeping backyard poultry. This will cover all the basics, what breed is right for me? Do I have enough space? Feeding, housing & medical needs, Practical handling gone. Use of natural supplies. Please bring pen & paper.

Saturday 10:00 - 3:00pm
Term 2 2 hrs 20/4 $20

Saving Money & Energy with Solar Passive Design

If you’re buying, building, extending or renovating, this could be just what you are looking for. By having the right design you can save thousands of dollars in heating & cooking and be more comfortably saving you and the environment. Learn about what to look for in materials, solar passive design and how placement and the elements make all the difference. Please bring pen & paper.

Wednesday 7:00 - 10:00am
Term 1 3 hrs 60/3 $30

Introduction to Permaculture

It is truly participatory & thought provoking in a positive, creative and supportive space. It will cover the ethics & principles of permaculture, zones, sectors, patterns, elements, tools and design and community. Please bring pen & paper.

Sunday 10:00 - 4:00pm
Term 1 1 day 50/$ 50

Short Courses, Groups, Activities and much more!

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2013 School Term Dates
Term 1 29th January to 28th March
Term 2 15th April to 28th June

Soil, Compost & Worms

You want an abundant vegetable patch? Learn the interdependence of soils, compost and worms and why no garden or vegie patch can thrive without them. Studying these soil samples from your vegetable garden as we test and feed you, we hear how to improve the common mistakes of over-pot loving & over-fertilising. Fun, interactive, hands on day. Please bring a pen & paper.

Sunday 9:00 - 12:00noon
Term 1 3 hrs 20/3 $30

Preparing for Seasonal Crops & Seeds

WINTER - The days are 30’s plus but this course is about preparing for Winter vegetables. Winter can be a hard time for pests, especially in cold areas. Growing starts right down and problems become more evident when a plant is in a cold-resistant state. It is important to start now to ensure good winter vegetable crops.

SUNDAY - These days are only 10/’s but this course is about preparing for Spring and Summer vegetables. Please bring a pen & paper.

Sunday 10:00 - 3:00pm
Term 1 3 hrs 20/3 Winter
23/6 Spring
$10

Herbs For Health

Concerned about what’s in your off-the-shelf medications? The aim of this workshop is to put you back in control, taking away worries you can deal effectively with your own, untreatable or deadly ailments. How you can grow your own herbs and make them into teas, salves, infusions & infusions. All of these included. Please bring a pen & paper.

Sunday 9:00 - 12:00noon
Term 1 2 hrs 20/3 $30

Pets or Pets, Companions & Weeds

We all have garden pets. Can a garden pest be seen as a garden pet? Do we have house chemicals? Can we reduce pest control? Companion planting is an essential tool to help with that - left as weeds they could benefit your garden. This session is very light & catered for our wanting to take home information sheets included. Please bring a pen & paper.

Sunday 10:00 - 4:00pm
Term 1 1 day 20/6 $30

If you have enrolled in two same day workshops, please bring a plate of food to share for tea breaks & lunch.