

The PURPOSE of Plenty Parklands Primary School is to educate children as lifelong learners to shape a better Australia.

Principal's Message

Thanks to our Quality student leaders who reminded our year 1 and 2 students about our revised school values at Monday's assembly. By modelling a play scenario in the sandpit, they showed the difference that living by the values can make.

A FAIR GO FOR ALL	I live by Australia's tradition of democracy and freedom. I live in harmony and am open minded to diversity	 I accept people based on what they do and say, not on what they look like or on their background. I am tolerant and understand that it is okay for people to be different. I let people join in. I share with others. I listen to other opinions. I take turns.
HONESTY	l tell the truth, even when it is difficult	I tell the truth even when I have done the wrong thing. I tell the truth to report any problems or issues. I tell the truth even if my friends are involved. I follow the values and rules without being told. I tell the truth in a way that does not hurt other people's feelings.
RESPECT	I treat others as I would like to be treat- ed, with kindness and courtesy	I speak to others in a friendly way. I listen when someone is speaking to me. I follow the school processes. I use equipment and buildings responsibly. I am punctual. I arrive to school and class on time.
TRUST	l am responsible and do the right thing	I can be trusted to live by the school values, including when no one is watching me. I will report any problems or issues. I am not a 'by stander' or 'on looker'. I speak and act appropriately at all times. I keep private matters, private.
CARE	l am kind to others and considerate of their feelings	 I take an interest in others. I look after others when they need help or support. I try to encourage others through using a positive sense of humor. I have zero tolerance of bullying; I do not accept or let bullying happen. I get along with others.
PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT	I put in my best effort, individually and as a team member, by be- ing persistent, resili- ent and responsible for my learning and behavior.	I have a go at learning new things. I set high but achievable goals. I strive to achieve my goals. I put in my best effort. I learn from my mistakes. I present 5 star work. I am confident.

Principal's message continued over page

PRINCIPAL'S MESSSAGE CONTINUED

Speaking of living by the values, adults, including staff and community members, need to model these every day. Thank you to the ones who do in terms of the parking around PPPS. Thank you for using the drop off area correctly, i.e. dropping off children, not leaving the car unattended and walking their child to the room; moving down the drop off area, not stopping in front of the gate as this holds up the flow of cars, and; arriving before 9:00 am so that their child is punctual to school. We know that parking can be a nightmare; however, we must put the safety of all children, not just your child, before convenience.

Reminders: The idea at the front of the school is that you can drop your kids off outside the school, help them get out of the car if necessary, give them a kiss and send them on their way, safely into school. Then you can continue on to work or other activities. School pick up can be a bit more of a challenge though. The reason being that kids dawdle out of school, making their parents wait longer than the parking limit. Many parents also arrive before the school bell, rather than potentially leaving their kids waiting. If this happens, you must drive out of the pickup area, and trust that your child will be there when you return in five or so minutes. It doesn't hurt children to wait.



Our zone has limited time signs

Our parking time limits and zones work efficiently if everyone abides by the time restrictions and moves on. Due to the yellow line at the front of the school, you cannot stop or parallel park in front of the school at any time. Also, if you use this area you should encourage your kids to

move quickly out of car in the morning and be ready to hop in the car when you arrive after school. If your kids are not out the front ready when you arrive, you need to move on and let others use the facility.

No Stopping Zones around Schools There are usually No Stopping zones around schools to ensure the safety of everyone. These are usually located at the school crossing, driveways, intersections and where parking would risk the safety of pedestrians, bicycle riders and you don't park in these locations.

motorists. It is essential that you don't park in these locations.

No Stopping' means that you cannot stop along the section of road AT ALL. That doesn't just mean stopping to park or drop off, but stopping your car, even with the engine running. Obviously being held up due to congestion is unavoidable and is not considered stopping in this instance. However, sometimes this congestion is formed due to a queue to enter the drop off zone. The car stopped in this queue IS considered to be stopping and it is ILLEGAL, as you are holding up the traffic behind you. Please keep your child and every child safe by showing *care* when dropping off and picking up children around PPPS.

Wednesday March 29 is a special JSC fundraiser

Trees help us breathe fresh air, they provide homes for birds and small creatures, they shelter us from the sun and they help our grounds look welcoming and attractive.

Big trees take years to grow and we would like to add some right now.

Please help us raise money to buy and plant some more trees so we can enjoy all the benefits that trees can bring.

By dressing in casual clothes (appropriate for school) and bringing a gold coin you can help us add more green to our school.

Thank you for your support



Our Quality student leaders are now working on something for each student and family to have to remind them of our values.

Claire McInerney Principal

Calendar of Events

TERM 1 Week 8 Planning week Friday Year Prep staff planning for 24/3 term 2 Week 9 6-6.30pm Parent Volunteer Tuesday 28/3 training 7pm School Council meeting Wednesday • J.S.C. casual dress day—gold coin donation 29/3 9.15-9.45am Parent Volunteer training Hot Cross Buns delivered 3pm 3 way conference bookings close 10.30am-7.30pm 3 Way Thursday conferences, students do not 30/3 attend school except for their 3 Way conference when they will be marked 'present' on the roll **Compass Parent training in** the computer lab Friday **BDSSA** District Finals 31/3 Last day of term 1 1pm Assembly for whole • school • 1.30pm dismissal Term 2 Week 1 Tuesday • First day of term 2 18/4 Year 5 camp to Forest Edge Friday Year 5 campers return 21/4 Week 2 Monday Curriculum Day-no school

for students

24/4

Fun was had by all at the PPPS Family Fun

Thank you our wonderful Coffee and Chat group for their ongoing support and hard work setting up and selling on the day, also to all staff members; teachers and Education Support staff, who worked after hours and with such enthusiasm to ensure children and parents enjoyed the activities; and our School Council members who helped on the night.

SPONSORSHIP:

A HUGE THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES WHO MADE IT POSSIBLE TO HAVE AND SPONSOR THE RIDES

Q.A. Steelfixing Pty. Ltd. Donation of \$1000 (Hatzipanagiotis Family)

M&C Seafood (Vic) \$300 (Caio Family)

Camp Australia staffing and donation of \$500

Ricoh Australia Pty. Ltd. Donation of \$100

DONATIONS :

Barry Plant Real Estate, Mill Park/South Morang for the staffing and payment for all supplies for the BBQ

Harcourts Real Estate, Mill Park for staffing and payment of face paint and professional face painter also glitter tattoos

Ristic Estate, Mill Park for staffing and payment of hairspray

Luna Park, St. Kilda family voucher

Skaterz Eltham party voucher

Funfields Whittlesea voucher

Caffe Spuntino, Rivergum two vouchers

Little Groovin Guitars Band for providing music and dancing with some of our own PPPS students

Reading Cinemas voucher

South Morang Fish and Chips (Assaad Family)

Rebel sport voucher and wine (Sevas Family)

Memories Photography x3 vouchers (Buttera family)

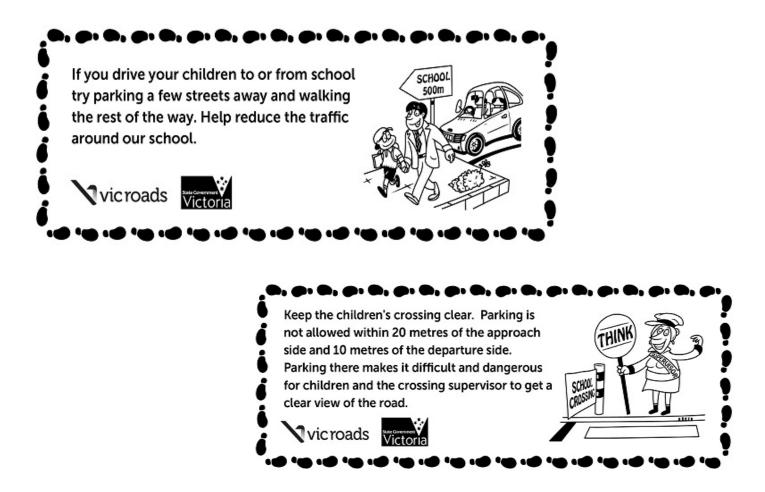
Scones, jam and cream supplied, paid and staffed (Filev-Nice family)

Mardinic Colombian Coffee cart (Alvarez-Mejia family)

Mill Park Auskick and Football Star Academy for organising free drills and games on the sportsground

The school community for hamper goods, second hand toys and books also cakes for the cake stall.

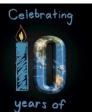
Please check next week's newsletter for total amount raised.



JSC fundraiser

On 29 March there is a special JSC fundraiser, we will be raising money for more big, shady and mature trees. It will be a casual dress day and will require a gold coin donation.





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Earth Hour School

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Tomorrow, Friday March 24 2017 is Earth Hour Schools Day

In 2017, World Wildlife Fund is celebrating 10 years of <u>Earth Hour</u> and 10 years of progress on changing climate change. Our actions on climate change will shape the future for our children. They know more about climate change than any other generation. And they have extraordinary views on what they want for their planet. You and your children can become a part of the movement and start to take action on climate change by visiting <u>earthhour.org.au</u> to register for Lights Out or find your local event. Plenty Parklands is participating in <u>Earth Hour Schools Day</u> tomorrow, **Friday the 24th March**, by switching off the lights for one hour after lunch. Don't forget to also switch off at home on Earth Hour, on Saturday 25th March 8:30pm-9:30pm. Switch off to #JoinTheFuture.

-Mariel Sibio Sustainability Coordinator

2-26 have been learning about Community Helpers



"We have been learning how Garbage Collectors empty bins and keep the streets clean." Sam and Joshua



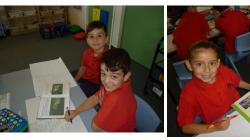
"We have been learning how Wildlife Rescuers help types of animals." R.J and Adam.



"Ambulance Officers help by checking if you are unwell. They are also called Paramedics." Grace



"Police help the community by catching thieves." Lisath and Hieu



"Search and Rescue Workers

work all day and night to recue

people." Deacon and Lucus

"Teachers help the community by helping people learn about the school values to help us be better people." Zoe and Esra

"Doctors help the community by making you feel better. They help when you are sick."

Ghaanavy and Stephanie



"Paramedics help by giving people medication and helping over 20 or more people per day." Jack and Ryan



"Vets help the community by taking care of sick animals." Jessica and Aathana



"Wildlife helpers keep animals safe." Devdan and Jonathan





"Teachers teach kids how to learn and be good people." Jada and Sia



"Teachers show you how to read and write and use maths." Anisa and Natalia





2-24 & 2-25 Assembly Performance



Hi firefighters, Hi teachers, Hi construction workers, Hi barbers, Hi doctors It's nice to see you again. In my community so many people take care of me.

Hi Police officers, Hi Lifeguards, Hi SES, Hi Paramedics, Hi Vets It's nice to see you again. In my community so many people take care of me .

















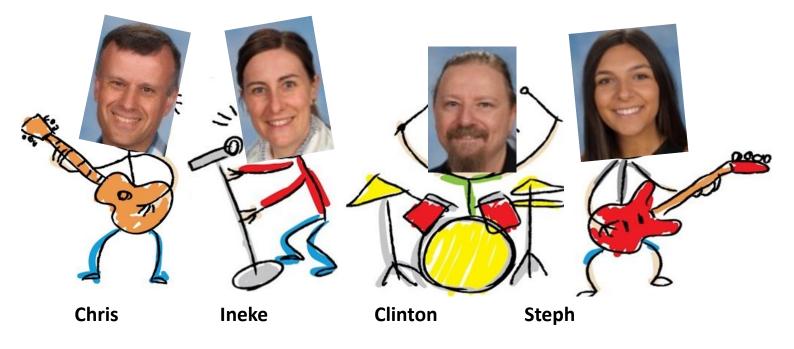


Hello. I'm Clinton Lowes and this is my fifth year at PPPS. I'm excited about working with our team in 2017. My interests outside of work include seeing bands, watching films, playing drums and learning Karate. I love the mighty Melbourne Storm NRL team and look forward to being at the home games again this year.

Hello! My name is Ineke Van Vliet and this is my third year teaching at Plenty Parklands. When I'm not teaching I'm dancing, camping, listening to music, eating good food and spending time at the beach with my husband (in two days!). I am very excited about the year ahead and I love teaching my year 4-32 class.

Hi there! My name is Stephanie De Cata and I am the very lucky teacher of 4-31 this year. This is my second year here at PPPS and I look forward to an exciting year ahead with my awesome students! When I'm not at school, I'm either soaking up the sun at the beach or spending time with my family and friends. I also love to dance and draw. 2017 is going to be another great year in year 4 for us!

Hi everyone, my name is Chris Uniacke and I'm am proud to be the teacher of 4-29. I am in my first year of teaching and really loving being part of the Plenty Parklands family. My family includes my partner Jackie and our 6 kids Connor, Bethany, Harrison, Ella, Gabriella and Chloe. When I'm not at school I spend most of my time with my family simply enjoying life and watching all sorts of sport. I'm really excited about our year ahead and the fun and great learning we will have in 4-29.



Redbacks Vs St Lukes

Cricket- Redbacks109 runs to St Lukes 115 runs Tee-Ball- Redbacks 20 runs to St Lukes 17 runs Hot Shots- Redbacks win due to forfeit Girls Volleyball- Redbacks 2 sets to St Lukes 0 sets Boys Volleyball- Redbacks 2 sets to St Lukes 1 set

Interschool Sport Program - Round 5 Friday March 16th

All games to commence by 9.30am. First named school is the home team and PPPS home grounds are - Bat Tennis, Volleyball,

Tee-Ball all played at PPPS, Cricket at Kelynack Reserve (across the road)

PPPS Bushrangers Vs Falcons (St Francis of Assisi)

Wolves (St Francis of Assisi) Vs PPPS Redbacks

Cricket- St Damians 89 runs to Bushrangers 122 runs

Hot Shots - St Damians 10 games to Bushrangers 20 games

Girls Volleyball- St Damians 0 sets to Bushrangers 2 sets

Boys Volleyball - St Damians 0 sets to **Bushrangers** 2 sets

Tee-Ball- St Damians 2 runs to Bushrangers 20 runs

For away games this week: Volleyball and Hot Shots Tennis at St Francis

Tee Ball at YMCA (Morang Drive) and Cricket at Redleap Reserve.

A reminder there is Training every Friday 8.00am-8.45am for all interschool sports teams. District Grand Finals will be held on March 31st. Teams involved in grand finals will ONLY train the morning of the finals.

St Damians Vs Bushrangers

PREMIER'S ACTIVE APRIL CHALLENGE 2017

The Premier's Active Families Challenge provides a great opportunity for all Victorians to get active and enjoy the benefits of a healthy lifestyle. It is a FUN and FREE initiative encouraging your students and their families to get more active, more often throughout the month of April.

Registrations are now open! Families are encouraged to register and complete 30 minutes of physical activity a day for 30 days. To sign up visit www.activeapril.vic.gov.au

In 2017, every Premier's Active April participant will receive;

10 FREE YMCA passes or access to a local government recreational facility, one FREE "Get Into Cardio" Tennis session, 20% off any annual membership with cycling Victoria, 15% off Sportsmart in store or online, a 2 for 1 ticket offer to SEALIFE Melbourne Aquarium, one hour FREE tennis court hire at Melbourne Park or Albert Reserve, entry into the draw to win tickets to the 2018 Australia Open Tennis Finals.

> Sebastian Scanu Physical Education and Sport Coordinator

WATSONIA BASEBALL CLUB

Watsonia Baseball Club is a family oriented club based at Loyola Reserve in Bundoora, the club fields six senior teams and junior teams

With a dedicated committee and a talented group of club coaches led by former Australian and Olympic baseball representative Adam Burton, Watsonia Baseball Club is keen to invite interested new members to come and try baseball during the winter season.

They are holding a 'Come and Try Day' for juniors on Saturday March 25th 10am - 11.30am at Loyola Reserve Bundoora. Come and meet the junior coaches and join them for a throw, a hit on the main diamond and to register your interest. They'll have a free BBQ and water/softies for the little ones too. Junior pre season starts the week commencing

March 20th. Junior games are played locally on Saturday mornings. The actual junior season starts mid-April and continues through to August plus finals.

For further information contact Murray Noble the club President on;

wbcpresident@outlook.com

0413 555 892

https://www.facebook.com/WatsoniaBaseballClub



Come and play hockey for Greensborough Hockey Club

All Juniors aged 5 to 17, girls and boys welcome . Beginners to experienced players.

Teams in U8, U10, U12, U14, U16, U18. Hockey is an Olympic team sport with Greensborough players competing at State and National Level Registration Day (& watch adult practice matches) is on Saturday March 18th, 10am-3pm at Plenty Park, Memorial Drive, Plenty. For further information please contact; Erika Newbegin 0419 888 050 juniors@greensboroughhockeyclub.com.au James Dunell 0437 081 584 james.dunell@greensboroughhockeyclub.com.au

	Assembly roster			LOST PROPERTY ROSTER			
27/3	Years 3-6 assembly	3-20 performance		Fri	24/3	Bianca O'Connor	
31/3	1pm Whole school assembly	End of term		Fri	21/4	Anna Lettia	
TERM 2				F	IRST	AID LINEN ROSTER	
17/4	No assembly—No school (Easter Monday)			Fri	24/3	Bianca O'Connor	
24/4	No assembly—Curriculum day			Fri	21/4	Anna Lettia	

STUDENT RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES

Were presented on Monday March 20

2-28	Lucas & Joshua	2-27	Joshua & Katija	2-26	Sam & Esra	2-25	Nicole & Michael
2-24	Adam & Alessia	1-23	Eric	1-22	Sonny	1-21	Sienna
1-16	Marcus	1-15	Simon				

ANTI LITTER AWARDS:

Congratulations to the following students for receiving an anti litter award.

1-15	Olivia	1-16	Fletcher
1-16	Ava	2-25	Zana
1-16	Jennifer	2-27	Maya

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SCHOOL by Camp CARE Australia

Library Donation

Thank you to Jack (3-18) and Alexander (Prep 10) for their donation of books to our library.

HOUSE POINTS 20/03/2017

1st	Green Grasshoppers
2nd	Red Rosellas
3rd	Blue Bandicoots
4th	Gold Goannas

GREAT FUN

- Outdoor games and
- Plaving with frien
- Great Educators
- * Food and Cookin
- Indoor Activities

Opening Hours: 7.00-8.45am and 3.30-6.00pm For bookings/cancellations call Kristine on 9404 4516

Last week at OSCH, children were involved in discussions about Cultural Diversity week and Harmony Day. The message being that everyone belongs. We were able to learn about different cultures and to show respect for each other. Leon counted to ten in Chinese for everyone. It was interesting to get out our world map and track our journeys and stories. Next week we will be busy with our "Easter Theme" making crafts for display, word finds and egg hunt board games and outdoor sport.

Holiday Club is fast approaching for bookings go to www.campaustralia.com.au **Stars of the week**: Christian, Siobhan and Priya for being helpful

If your child is attending or not attending OSHC please notify us on 94044516, we greatly appreciate notification.

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Save 50% or more on Before and After School Care with the Child Care Rebate. Almost all families are eligible. To find out more call our Customer Service Team on 1300 105 343

Holiday Clubs

Don't forget about the Camp Australia Holiday Clubs these school holidays. Use the Holiday Club Finder on the website to find the nearest program: www.campaustralia.com.au/ holidavclubs

Healthy Snacks

Afternoon tea is served daily. Menus are tailored to children's tastes, developmental and nutritional needs. Afternoon tea includes a selection of yummy sandwiches and fruit. Children may also engage in fun cooking activities.

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or call 1300



Volunteer Helpers at PPPS

Please note that if you attended a training session in the past, you do NOT need to attend another one. 'Once trained, we have you for life!'

For new volunteers we are offering two briefings this term

So that we can strengthen our interdependent partnership between Plenty Parklands Primary school and the community we offer training sessions for parent and community members. Over the years our students have benefited from the work and dedication of hundreds of helpers. We are always ready and willing to welcome even more. You may be a new member of our community and keen to offer your help while also getting to know other community members.

The sessions will outline your role and responsibilities with regard to Privacy, Work Cover, Harassment and Occupational Health and Safety legislation. In line with our values, particularly those of Care, Trust and Respect, you will understand that the safety and care of your children are the most important considerations when implementing a program such as volunteer helpers. Also **with legislation related to a range of issues it is imperative that ALL volunteers are briefed before they are able to help in any way at school. You need only attend one of the briefings.**

This training includes everyone who would like to start to help in any or all of the following areas; canteen, Parents Social and Fundraising sub committee (PSF), interschool sport, uniform shop, classroom helpers (in any area of the curriculum), excursions, special event days, fun day at the end of the year, fruit distribution, gardening, sports coaching, P.E. programs such as the Prep Perceptual Motor Program (PMP) and any transportation of students. In fact, anyone who helps at the school in any way. Please note that helpers on school camps have a special briefing prior to camp. The dates for term 1 are:

Tuesday 28 March 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. or Wednesday 29th March 9:15 to 9:45 a.m.

Remember that you need to participate in a training session in order to help in any capacity at the school. The briefing takes about 30 minutes and will be held in the conference room (library) or staff lounge (staff room).

After completion of this short briefing, you will be welcome to help at PPPS at any time in the future in a 'one off' or ongoing situation.

Please see this invitation as an opportunity to get to know other members of our school community while also providing the students of PPPS with invaluable support and assistance.

Don't worry; there are no hard questions to answer or problems to solve. You just need a willingness to help and we'll do the rest!! We look forward to seeing you at one of these sessions.

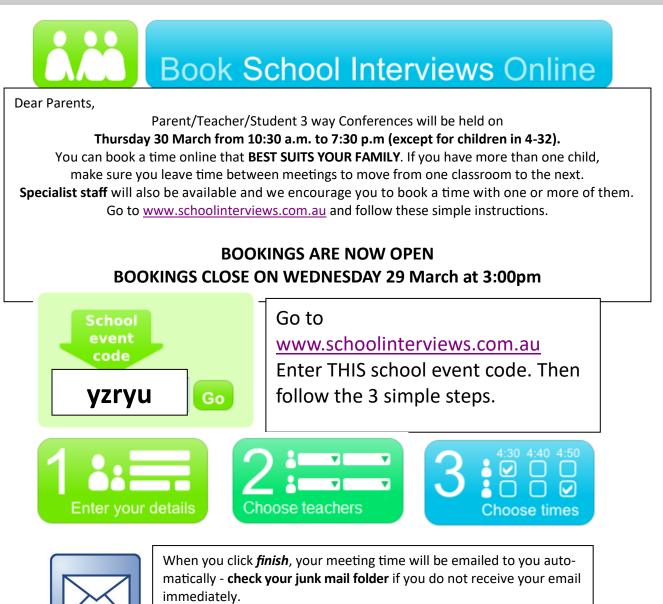
PLEASE SEE PATH BELOW TO REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE

For information about Volunteer Training and to register your attendance for one of these sessions please go to the PPPS webpage. Follow the path; <u>Forms and Notices, Volunteers, Volunteer Training for</u> information and registration.

STUDENT PERSONAL DETAILS

Have you changed your address, home telephone number, email address, work telephone number, mobile telephone number, custody restrictions or medical details? If so, please keep the office informed of ANY changes to details relevant to your child/ren attending our school. It is vital that these records are kept up to date so we can reach you in case of an emergency. We need to make sure your child receives the best care we can offer.





You can return to <u>www.schoolinterviews.com.au</u> at any time, and change your meeting time - until bookings close.

BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN

We look forward to meeting with you and your child and request that you are punctual and teachers will endeavour to be the same.

If you will require more than the fifteen minutes allocated time, please contact your child's teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

On Thursday 30 March, children do not attend school, <u>except when they come with you for the conference and they will be</u> <u>marked as 'present' on the roll.</u> If your child is in year 1 to 6, they will present their personal learning goals. Prep students do not have learning goals at this stage of their schooling. Instead the prep teacher will talk with you about the You Can Do It capabilities, class goals and how your child has worked towards these. You will also have the opportunity to give them feedback about the prep transition program and the first few weeks of school.

Parents can change their booking, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the <u>www.schoolinterviews.com.au</u> website, and using the event code. Parents wishing to change their conference time after the closing date should contact the school directly on: 94044311.

Welcome to Compass



Dear Parents,

Parent/Teacher/Student 3 way Conferences will be held on Thursday 30 March. On this day we will be running Introductory

Information Sessions about the Compass Parent Portal in the Computer Lab and they will run for approximately 30 minutes.

Compass Parent Portal Information Session Times

Thursday 30th March, 2017 - Computer Lab

10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm, 2.30pm, 3.30pm, 5.30pm and 6.30pm

The Information sessions will cover;

- Accessing Compass
- Logging in to Compass
- The Compass home screen
- Student Profile
- Messaging system
- Attendance data
- View and download semester reports
- Parent/Teacher/Student 3 way conferences

You can book into one of these session times via the Plenty Parklands Primary School webpage.

BOOKINGS OPEN ON FRIDAY 3 MARCH AT 9.00AM

BOOKINGS CLOSE ON TUESDAY 28 MARCH 3.00PM

Please note that if you are unable to attend one of these sessions every family will be e-mailed a copy of a Guide to "Using the

PPPS Compass Parent Portal" in the last week of Term 1.

Please note as Miss. Shelden will be involved in running these Compass sessions, she will not be available for 3 way conferences. If you wish to speak to Miss. Shelden please phone to arrange a time to meet.



Plenty Parklands Primary School is pleased to be selling the **17|18 Entertainment[™] Memberships** as a fundraiser in 2017 the Memberships are now available to **pre-order**!

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Each Membership sold raises \$13 for Plenty Parklands Primary School to help us raise much needed funds.

Order your Book before the 22nd of April and receive 6 bonus early bird offers you can use straight away!

Please show your support by visiting the link below and purchasing your Membership today:

www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/182g893

For any enquiries please contact: Antonella Azzopardi on 9404 4311 or <u>azzopardi.antonella.a@edumail.vic.gov.au</u>



LOST PROPERTY

To save money, name **ALL** your child's/children's clothing with **both given and family names**. If property is lost, first check your child's classroom (or specialist class they may have attended), then look in the Lost Property basket outside the courtyard entrance to the Administration Block and then the Lost Property cupboard in the disabled bathroom in the Administration block. This cupboard is accessible before 9.00am and after 3.30pm. A parent volunteer sorts through the items at the end of each week and those items that are named are returned via their teacher's pigeon hole.



Any uncollected items of clothing will be donated to a charity at the end of the term.



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