Calendar of Events

November 2015
- 26th: Grades 1 & 2 Mordialloc Beach Excursion
- 30th November until 11th December: Swimming Program for Grades 1 to 6

December 2015
- 2nd December until 11th December: Swimming Program for Grades 1 to 6
- 14th: School Concert
- 16th: Grade 6 Graduation Luncheon
- 17th: Grade 6 Certificate Presentation
- 18th: END OF TERM 4 FINISHES AT 1:30 PM

January 2016
- 27th: Uniform Shop Open, 10:00 am until 12:00 pm
- 28th: STUDENTS RETURN

Eye Testing

Last Friday One Sight a not for profit organization, that brings vision care to people across the globe by mobilizing eye care professionals, industry experts, volunteers, and partners - came to Dandenong North to test our students eyesight.

There were 24 volunteers who spent the day assessing the eye sight of over 300 children - looking for short sightedness, long sightedness, colour blindness and other eye related issues.

Out of the 300 students tested, there were over 80 children who were assessed as having difficulties with their eye sight! These children require either further eyesight examinations or they will need glasses to assist them.

The people at One Sight will be coming back in February to test our students again.

If parents think that their children might require eye testing, please see Mrs McLaughlin to organise this.

A big thank you to the people from One Sight for their generous donation of time and expertise and to OPSM for providing vouchers for our children to receive glasses.

Lastly, big thank you to Mrs McLaughlin for organising this valuable service for our students.

Crazy Hair Day

It is always wonderful to see our children embrace the SRC fundraiser days and today was no exception!

There was a variety of crazy hair styles from the coloured to the messy!

The SRC would like to thank all of the children who donated a gold coin to States School’s Relief.

The disco is always a hit with children dancing to their favourite tunes and admiring each other’s hair-dos!

Thanks to Mrs Hilton and the SRC for organizing this fabulous event!
Year 1 & 2 Tabloid Sports Day

After a false start two weeks earlier, the weather this time cooperated with the Year 1 & 2 Tabloid Sports Day off and running last Thursday. Mrs Conway was out early setting up numerous tabloid sport activities for the children to take part in. She had balloons, banners and Year 4, 5 & 6 helpers aplenty. It was fantastic to see all Year 1 & 2 children come dressed in their sport clothes or favourite sport colours. Students enthusiastically participated in the different events which included hula hooping, throwing and catching, balancing and running. Students were awarded with stickers and icy poles for their participation in this event - however the smiles on their faces showed how much they enjoy this now annual event.

A huge thank you goes to Mrs Conway for taking the time to organize this very successful event. A thank you to the students who also assisted on the day.

Year 3 & 4 Mothers Beach Excursion

Last Friday, the Year 3 and 4 students who have been studying sun, sea and safety, spent their time at Mothers Beach in Mornington. There were lots of excited children who attended this excursion and there were some students who had never even been to the beach before! It was an exciting day with the students enjoying the sights of the bay including seeing Dolphins following a boat and a Stingray cruising around the harbour.

The students have been focusing on erosion and weathering of the cliffs that surround the bay and it was fantastic to see such a good example of this in Mornington. Unfortunately the tide was in, so there was limited view of the many rockpools at the base of the cliff. A sandcastle completion was held and the children got the opportunity to touch the Red Marlin that was freshly caught by a fisherman on the pier.

Some students were afforded the opportunity to splash their feet in the water - it was very cold! A great day was had by all of the students!
Malone Medallions

Mr Malone was again handing out his awards for excellent Sporting achievements. Here are the three winners:

Sedra (6C):
Sedra has shown her developing sporting ability this year with her inclusion in the 2015 Cross Country where she placed 12th.
In the District Athletics, she placed 5th in the long jump, 4th in the hurdles, and as the 3rd runner in the relay that placed 1st.
She then attended the Divisional Athletics where she was placed 4th in the relay.
In Gala Day 1 - she participated in the T-Ball team.
In Gala Day 2 and 3 - she participated in Girls Soccer.
Sedra tries hard during all Physical Education activities and is supportive of all of her peers in their sporting endeavours.

Hassan (6C):
Mr Malone started off the presentation of Hassan’s Malone Medallion by joking over Hassan’s cricketing skills at last Friday’s practice match! However his best score of 84 runs off 12 balls is certainly impressive!!
In 2015, Hassan placed 4th in both the shot put and discus at the District Athletics.
In Gala Day 1 - he participated in the AFL team.
In Gala Day 2 and 3 - he participated in the Boys Soccer team.
This Thursday he has been picked to play in the Boys Kanga Cricket Divisional Final.

Taiba (6L):
Taiba has been a regular Cross Country participant beginning in 2013 when she placed 13th. Unfortunately in 2014 she was unable to attend due to illness. This year she placed 10th in the District which meant that she progressed through to the Divisions where she placed 15th.
At the District Athletics she placed 4th in both the 800m and 1500m runs.
During Gala Day 1 she participated in the Girls Netball team.
In Gala Days 2 and 3 - she participated in the Girls Soccer teams.
Taiba always has a smile on her face even when she is exhausted from her fitness activities!

Congratulations to all three winners!

Swimming lessons for Years 1 to 6 start next Week

The preps have been enjoying their two weeks of intensive swimming and next week heralds the beginning of lessons for the rest of the school.
Each day over the next two weeks, the students will be ferried by bus down to the pool in Scott Street, for their swimming lessons.
It is important for parents to remember that all students who are swimming need to have all of their clothing items labelled - including bathers and towels.
Children will also be very tired over the course of this two week period, so early to bed!!
Student of the Week Awards - Week ending 20th November

| Prep B - Wajiha | 1M - Hrishoth | 3S - Narghis | 5P - Fallah |
| Prep H - Emily | 2C - Rehan    | 3V - Farsaneh | 6C - Sedra  |
| Prep T - Toirah | 2CH - Hassan | 4M - Urooj  | 6L - Suminda |
| Prep O - Tiana  | 2G - Muzgan  | 4R - Kumanan | 6M - Salih  |
| Prep N - Omratu | 2L - Hadi    | 4W - Ciana  | ICT - Grace (3F) |
| 1A - Sophie     | 2S - Kesley  | 4WM - Lorenzo | ICT - Harinii (3S) |
| 1H - Shathusaa  | 3D - Fajer   | 5H - Michaela |
| 1J - Sachin     | 3F - ??      | 5M - Alley   |

Year 5 & 6 Chemistry Incursion

Last Tuesday the students in Years 5 & 6 attended an incursion run by Benjamin the scientist. He brought along lots of equipment to demonstrate to the students different chemical reactions that can occur depending upon the properties of the elements.

The students were very interested to see the reactions with the dry ice, methylated spirits and of course bicarbonate soda. His explanation for the reactions was concise and made the students want to go away and become scientists themselves!