Dear Families,

What a very special assembly we had yesterday. We had Teia step up to do her first assembly with her good friend Josh with the roar of the Vietnam Veteran’s motorcycles as they rode towards the recreation centre to speak to our eager and excited students. Alan Tack and I had talked about the Vietnam Veterans attending this year’s assembly twelve months ago. The children were captivated from their noisy arrival. The motorcycles came into the recreation centre and the veterans shared their stories and experiences.

We had T-Rat talk about his 12 month experience in the Vietnam War and One Eye leaving some students with jaws dropping over the fact he had been shot 5 times and survived! The students asked many questions and even got to sit on the motorcycles at the end. All the men that attended our assembly communicated the best possible understanding of ANZAC Day. They described how the sacrifices of our service men and women have enable all Australians to enjoy their freedom.

These real life encounters were a wonderful experience for our students and I’m sure they will remember yesterday’s assembly. Thank you to all our parents and friends for attending.

To Alan and the Vietnam Veterans Motorcycle Club I can’t thank you enough on behalf of the staff, students and parents for your real life experiences and the time you spent sharing them with us.

**ANZAC Day is this Monday 25th April.** It is the day on which we remember all Australians who served and died in war and on operational service. The spirit of Anzac, with its qualities of courage, mate ship, and sacrifice, continues to have meaning and relevance for our sense of national identity.

Our families are invited to attend the ANZAC Day service at the cenotaph in San Remo at 11am on Sunday 24th April 2016. There will be refreshments after the service at the San Remo Hotel.

**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:**
“Respect your parents, enjoy your friends and the freedoms that being Australian brings.” (Vietnam Veterans Motorcycle Club Members)

Regards Sharyne

**CURRICULUM DAY:**
Friday 6th May is our first Curriculum Day for 2016 and no students will be required at school. We will be implementing a new reporting system, Compass and staff need this day to become familiar with this system. Please note that the Vacation Care program is not available for this day.
WE NEED YOU! On Saturday 30th April we have been allocated a spot at Bunnings Wonthaggi to cook and sell sausages between 10-4pm. We need as many volunteers as possible to support this fundraising effort for our school. We have a roster set up in the office so please let the office know of your availability ASAP. I look forward to seeing you there.

BOOKCLUB - ISSUE 3
The latest bookclub—issue 3—has now been handed to students. All orders from this issue need to be handed into the office by Friday 29th April. Parents can order and pay through Loop online (please remember to bring your order into school with your payment reference number) or by cheque or cash.

BOOKFAIR
This year’s Annual Book Fair will run for just over a week beginning Monday 9th May until Tuesday 17th May. The students will have the opportunity to browse through the fair and making a wish list. The Fair will be open to parents from Monday afternoon after assembly and then each day from 8:30-9:15am and 3:00-3:45pm.

NO STANDING ZONE
Please do NOT stop or park in the No Standing Zone in Thomas Grove. A Bylaws officer from the bass Coast Shire has been paroling the No Standing zones around our school. He has had to warn a few parents that continue to drop off their children by parking illegally. Please note that fines will be issued in future. Please remember our safest and preferred parking area for student drop off or pick up is at the top of Wynne Ave in front of the Recreation Centre.

STUDENT SUPERVISION
Children are supervised in the playground from 8:45am until 3:45pm. Parents are reminded that all classes begin at 9am sharp. If your child comes to school earlier than 8:45am or later than 3:45pm they need to attend OSHC.
SCHOOL TIMETABLE

MON
Music
Student banking
3pm Assembly

TUES
Music program & Band

WED
Japanese
Gr 5 & 6 Library
Gr 5 & 6 PE
Gr 3 & 4 Art
Sushi orders

THUR
Gr P, 1, 2, 5 & 6 Art,
Gr P-4 PE
MARC Library Gr P-4
Icy-poles 1:45pm

UNIFORM SHOP
Open for VIEWING on Mondays and Fridays
8:30am-9:15am (not open in the afternoon)
Tuesdays, Wednesday and Thursdays
8:30am–9:15am & 3pm-3:45pm

PURCHASES: Uniform orders can be placed at anytime by dropping it in the box in the school office with payment.

PHILLIP ISLAND & DISTRICT BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION
WINTER SEASON AT SAN REMO

FIRST TRAINING & REGISTRATION - TUESDAY 10TH MAY
Older players (not training) can register anytime from 5-8pm

ROUND 1 – SATURDAY 14TH MAY

Training Tuesdays 5-6 pm
Matches: Saturdays 9.00 am or 9.40 am

Training Tuesdays 6-7 pm
Matches: Saturdays 10.20 am or 11.10am

Training Tuesdays 7-8 pm
Matches: Saturdays 12.00 pm or 12.50 pm

No Training. Matches: Saturdays 1.40 pm or 2.30 pm

No Training. Matches: Saturdays 3.20 pm or 4.10 pm

PLEASE NOTE:
- Player registration is done online and current club members will be emailed the link. There will be the opportunity to register at the first training for new players and those who need help with online registration.
- The winter season fees include Basketball Victoria’s annual registration/insurance fee & our club membership fee as well as the competition fee.
- The season will run for 11 weeks ending with Grand Finals on either Saturday 20th or 27th August (to be confirmed). There will be some breaks in competition due to public holiday weekends, Regional Skills Days & school holidays.
- U19 is for boys only. All other grades are mixed sex.
- Aussie Hoops is available at the Cowes YMCA – For information ph 5952 2811. Aussie Hoops is an introductory program for beginners age prep – 8 yrs.
- It is difficult to fit new players into teams after the season has started. If you are not able to register by Tuesday 2nd May please contact the club to avoid disappointment.

For more information contact: Terry – 0428 595 834, or Jo – 0438 341 063 or email info@phillipislandbasketball.org
San Remo Primary School Band
A visit to Griffiths Point Lodge