# **Primary Post**

Whittlesea Primary School

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#### **PRINCIPAL TEAM REPORT**

Hello everyone,

This week our school received a great email from Elwin Jones. Her grandfather was referenced as part of our regular history series in the newsletter. Elwin's grandfather (Rob Harding) was involved in a school event back in 1933, as retold by our Chaplain of many years – Peter Ackland. The article explained that Rob was a student at our



school and he was tasked with delivering a speech when unveiling the covenant for the School Endowment Plantation. Elwin took the time to email and say that Rob who is now 96 years of age still fondly recalls the events of that day. The Principal at the time asked him to memorise a speech and deliver it to the gathering. Amazingly enough, Robert still has a written version of the speech which we will endeavour to get a copy of. It was great to hear about Rob's life and how he still recalls memorable times from his years at Whittlesea Primary School.

Last week we distributed via compass, a call for nominations to fill the vacant positions on our school council for 2022. As each position on council has a 2-year tenure, a number of positions become available every year. If more nominations are received than there are positions, we will hold a ballot to elect members across the coming weeks. If no ballot is required, we will communicate the result of the process, introducing our school council for 2022 to the community.

This week the Department of Education and Training announced COVID measures that will extend throughout the remainder of the term. Most of the current operational directives and guides remain in place now until the end of the term. In reference to 'Rapid Antigen Testing' the practice of supplying students with 2 tests per week will continue for the remainder of the term. Please continue to test your child every Monday and Thursday morning to ensure that asymptomatic cases do not come to school and spread COVID-19. Of course, if you child is unwell they should be tested immediately and remain at home until a negative result is returned and they are well enough to be at school.

Next week a new approach to delivering greater spelling outcomes will commence at our school. Please support your child at home with their weekly spelling words. These words are aligned to specific spelling rules and patterns and will lead to great literacy success when mastered.

Until next week,

Ty Hoggins & Rae Gittos Principal Team

#### **CALENDAR**

March 7

Whole School Photo Day

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Wishing the following children a very Happy Birthday!

15<sup>th</sup> February Harvey 1/2B Ruby 5/6RM Xavier 5/6T

**16<sup>th</sup> February** Flynn 5/6G

**18<sup>th</sup> February** Baylin 5/6V

19th February Necati 3/4L

**20<sup>th</sup> February** Ellie 1/2JA

**23<sup>rd</sup> February** Jasmine 3/4L Lily 5/6V

**24<sup>th</sup> February** Finn 1/2E



# WHITTLESEA PRIMARY SCHOOL PHOTO DAY Monday 7th March 2022

# **Ordering Now Open!**

Orders can now be made through your Compass Portal via your email link or under the 'Community' tab.

#### Place your order now to ensure our best pricing!

Family/Sibling Photos are available for students attending the school.

Family photos orders must be placed by 11.59PM the day before photo day.



#### **Class Group Style**

Parents with 3 or more children can receive a concession with our Premium or Classic Packs.

To take up this offer, please contact us prior to photo day at family.nem@msp.com.au



### **WE'RE HERE TO HELP!**

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#### **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**



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Spiden
and making good choices in class.
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read.
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e Arthur
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#### **UP COMMUNITY CARD FUNDRAISING**

United Petrol have teamed up with Whittlesea Primary School assist with the schools fundraising. With the Whittlesea Primary School UP Community card, you'll receive a 2 cents per litre discount at participating United service stations and a 2 cents per litre rebate will be provided to Whittlesea Primary School. So this means you'll enjoy great savings on your fuel, whilst supporting Whittlesea Primary School when you fill up at a participating United service station.

Register here: <a href="https://www.unitedpetroleum.com.au/fuel-discount-cards/up-community/whittlesea-primary-school/">https://www.unitedpetroleum.com.au/fuel-discount-cards/up-community/whittlesea-primary-school/</a>

You now have the choice of a digital or plastic fuel discount card.





#### **FOUNDATION CRAFT SUPPLIES**

#### It's time to clean out your craft supplies!

The Foundation team are seeking donations for our creative area © Donations can be dropped off to the Foundation end of the ELC.

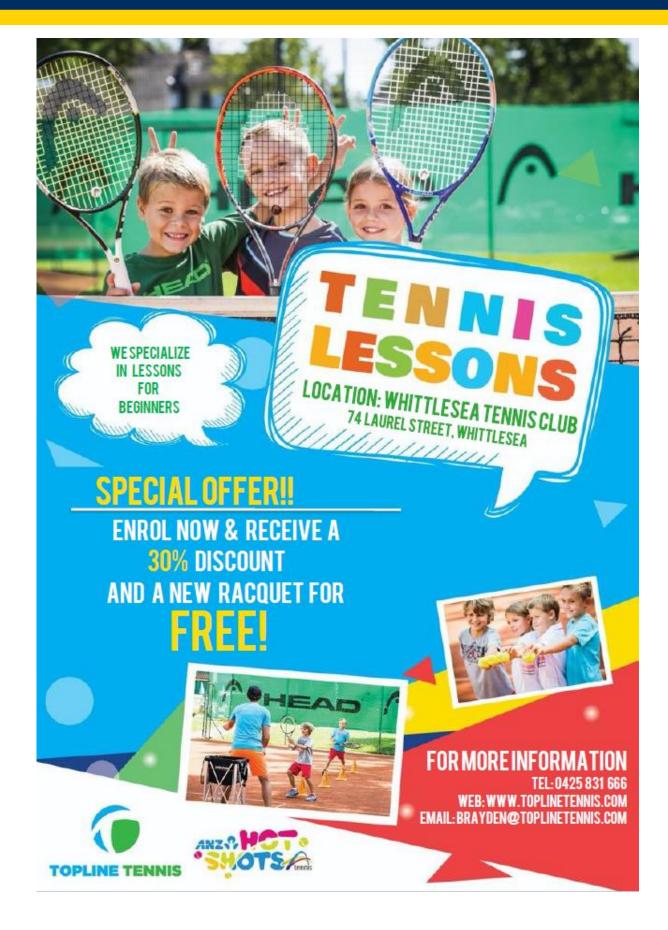
Ideas for donations include, but are not limited to:

- o Small, clean boxes
  - Buttons
  - Ribbons
    - Glitter
- Scrap booking paper offcuts
  - Old magazines
  - Fabric offcuts
    - Sequence

Thank you!

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**





## **DIY Home Cleaning Products**

# Whittlesea Community Garden

Come along & make 3 all natural, non-toxic, cleaning items to use at home and help our environment

Time: 10.30am

Date: Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Venue: Whittlesea Community Garden

Laurel St, Whittlesea (next door to the library)



Numbers are limited & you must register your attendance by 10 February. Email <a href="mailto:communitygarden@whittleseach.com.au">communitygarden@whittleseach.com.au</a> or call 9716 3361.









# WHITTLESEA GARDEN EXPO

Saturday 5th March Sunday 6th March

Entry 9am - 3pm

Whittlesea Showgrounds Whittlesea-Yea Road

Tickets Child: Free Tickets Online: \$8 Tickets Gate: \$10



Buy Tickets trybooking.com/BUBDC

Saturday Guest Presenter: Melissa King from Channel 7s Better Homes & Gardens

Sunday Guest Presenter: Clive Blazey
Co-founder of The Diggers Club

for more information: wgexpo.net.au