

Term 3, 2009.

## Coming Events

27th August, 2009

### August

Book Week

Mon 24th to Fri 28th

Fri 28th: Parent Opinion  
Surveys Due back

Mon 31st: Ms Readathon  
Forms and money due-see  
report inside

Mon 31st - Fri 4th Sep  
: Last week of Active After  
School Activities Term 3

### September

Tuesday 1st—Values  
Education Performance  
@ 12 noon

Wednesday Sept 2nd \*\*  
Note change of Date!!  
Parent Session  
'Outward Facing  
Schools' 5.45pm—6.45pm  
followed by finger food.

Thurs 3rd: Fathers/  
Special Gentleman's Day  
Stall (@ start of school)

Fri 4th: Donald Athletics

Wed 9th: School Dance  
Theme 'The Seventies'  
Right choices staff and volun-  
teer training

Fri 11th: Zone Athletics

Fri 18th: End of Term 3  
Students dismissed 2.30pm

### October

Mon 5th: Term 4 Begins

Tues 6th : Parents Club  
Meeting in Library 9.05am

Fri 23rd: Portrait orders  
due



*Today's Learners, Tomorrow's Future*

## Principal's Comments:

### 'Outward Facing Schools' Seminar

A reminder that next Wednesday night at the school, 5.45pm—6.45pm there is a free Community Seminar on 'Outward Facing Schools'.



The focus will be on improving community links between School and Community. We hope to see as many people there as possible. The presenter, George Otero, is a very engaging and thought provoking speaker.

Dr. George Otero from the Centre for Relational Learning, New Mexico, USA.

### Values Seminar

Next Tuesday September 1st, a visiting group will present a Seminar on 'Values'. It will be held here in the Multipurpose Room and is hosted by the OAC Ministries. There will be two sessions, the first for Prep to Grade 3 at 12noon to 12.40pm. The second is for Grades 4 to 6 and will be held at 12.45pm until 1.30pm. The Values seminar is on **Respect. Respect for Self, Others, The World and God.** It is presented from a Christian perspective and utilizes puppets, drama and song. The presentation includes song, puppets and much more. This is only for RE students, however students who wish to recommence participating in RE, would then be eligible to participate.

Remember to keep checking out our Website.

Website: [www.starnaudps.vic.edu.au](http://www.starnaudps.vic.edu.au)

Receipts : If you require a receipt for any payment to the school just contact Shirlee or Jenny in the office and it will be done.

*Mr. Mark McLay.*  
*Principal.*

*Stars of the Week*  
27/08/09



<i>Prep1 M</i>	<i>Lilli</i>
<i>Prep1/O'B</i>	<i>Jackson</i>
<i>Year 1/2 F</i>	<i>Sharni</i>
	<i>Ben</i>
	<i>Blayne</i>
<i>2/3 D</i>	<i>Breeanna</i>
	<i>Abbey</i>
<i>3/4D</i>	<i>Next Week</i>
<i>3/4 H</i>	<i>Next Week</i>
<i>4/6 G</i>	<i>Ryan</i>
<i>5 SW</i>	<i>Talia</i>
<i>6 M</i>	<i>Next Week</i>



*Congratulations!*

#### **Parent Opinion Surveys 2009**

The 2009 Parent Opinion surveys are currently being conducted state-wide this week. The overall objective of this survey is to collect data about parent opinions across the state and for further individual schools across Victoria to use this information to drive further improvements. Names are drawn at random. This is a confidential survey and is due to be returned to the Office by **tomorrow Friday August 28th**. Thank you to those who have already returned their surveys. If you are yet to return yours, please complete it as your opinion is valued and provides an opportunity for you to be heard.

#### **Parents Club**

**Upcoming events:** Fathers & Special Gentleman's Day Stall is next **Thursday the 3rd of September**. It will be held at the start of school and children are asked to bring a shopping bag along. Goods range in price from \$1.00 to \$5.00.

Donations for this would be a great help!

**Vision Portrait order forms** were sent home with this Link today. There are a limited number of bookings available. **Please return by Friday 23rd of October, no booking will be made after this date.** Your booking times will be confirmed after the 23rd.

Winners of the Lolly and Slice Drive were:

- 1st: The Wharton Family
- 2nd: The Jones Family
- 3rd: Ailleann Wright

This year Parents Club will not be selling drinks at the school dance, but if you wish to bring your own bottled water, please do.

We will be selling raffle tickets at the door. First Prize \$100.00 Cooks Choice Meat Voucher and Second Prize \$50.00 Weir's Voucher.

Plastic pockets are available for \$3.00

Cook Books for \$10.00 are available from 'Top of the Town', 'Country Kitchen' and the Office. School supplies are still available.

Our next meeting will be held at 9.05am in the **Library** on the 6th of October.

Thank you for your support!

**Rebecca & Simone**

#### **Education Maintenance Allowance Instalment No. 2**

The EMA Instalment 2 cheques have arrived and can be collected from the Office. Recipients need to sign for these. We have been advised that Direct Debit EMA payments should have been paid into relevant bank accounts by now. Thank you.

#### **Active After School**

Next week is the last week for the 'Active After School' activities program for Term 3. Thank you to all those who participated this term. We hope you all enjoyed the activities.

#### **Interschool Athletics Friday September 4th**

These are to be held in Donald on Friday September 4th.

#### **School Dance Costumes**

The School Dance is being held on Wednesday 9th of September with the theme, 'The Seventies'. Amelia McIntyre has advised that she has a large range of costumes for hire for those that may be interested.

#### **After School Club**

Pamphlets are being handed out with this Link. They are titled 'Going to the Movies'. This is presented by OAC in association with St. Arnaud Churches. This will be held at the Uniting Church, McMahan Street St. Arnaud for Primary Aged Children. Any students wishing to attend the After School Club **must** have an appropriate adult sign them in and out. Unattended children will not be able to participate. Any queries can be directed to Graham Pearse on Ph: 5495 3231 or Dianne McAdam on 5461 2789.

Bernard Denner's 97th men's health night!



# St Arnaud



## BBQ with the Blokes

- DON'T WAIT UNTIL  
YOUR WHEELS FALL OFF...



**Tuesday 1st**

**September 2009**

**St Arnaud Sporting**

**Club,**

**Lord Nelson Park**

**6pm—9pm**

Enjoy a great Barbie and have a beer with mates.

Have a laugh with Bernard Denner as heard on ABC radio and

GEO of the Centre for Advancement in Men's Health.

\$2 entry fee for those who pre-register for else \$10 on the night

Time for a pit stop, refuel recharge and learn some things about

keeping your motor running.

**Contact the Northern Grampians Shire, St Arnaud Office to register on 5495 1500 before Friday August 28th. An extra charge of \$10 will apply if you do not register prior to the night.**

**LADIES SEND YOUR MAN ALONG!**



Rural Financial  
Counselling Service  
Victoria

Followed by a Men's Health session for the ladies on Wednesday September 2nd at 10am in the Dunstan Room at the Northern Grampians Shire Office, St Arnaud. Morning tea will be provided.

### Free Community Seminar

#### The Outward Facing School

'Schools and Community' Working Together

**5.45- 6.45 pm**

Followed by finger food

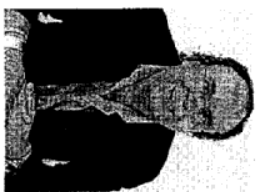
Venue : **St Arnaud Primary School**

**Wed Sept 2nd**

Presented by...

**Dr. George Otero**

and hosted by **St. Arnaud Primary School Council**



Dr. George Otero is a well known international keynote speaker, and workshop presenter. He is the co-founder of a national and international educational organization based in Santa Fe, New Mexico called the *Center for Relational Learning* (CRL). CRL assists schools, businesses, public agencies, and communities to target mutually identifiable areas for change, opening new avenues of learning, growth, productivity, and collaboration.

Currently, he and co-authors have published ten books, all promoting Relational Learning™, a new method of learning and leading that transforms our understanding and approach to education and communities.

To Register : Contact Shirlee or Jenny

54951028 St. Arnaud Primary School

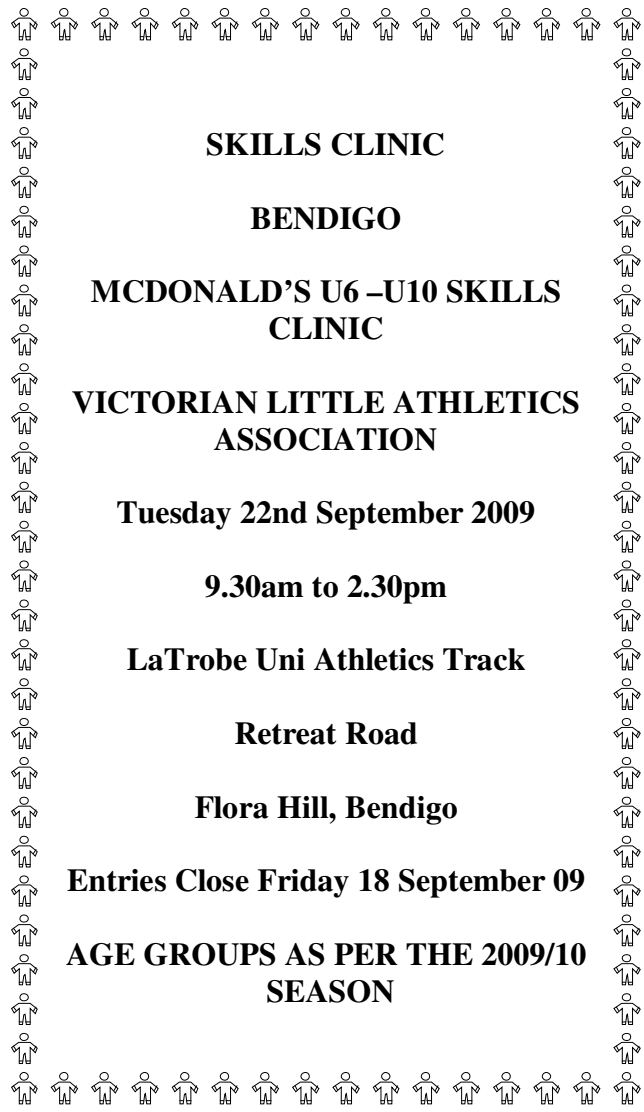
Or email : [st.arnaud.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:st.arnaud.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) By Mon 31st of Aug



A big thank you to the families and friends who have sponsored MS Readathon participants during the 30th year of the MS Readathon!

As students begin to close their books on this year's program it is now time to return sponsorship funds and collect their hard-earned certificate and reading rewards. With an official money-due date of August 31st, the fastest way to return sponsorship is online with the help of mum or dad.

Students can also return the Completion Form (which they received in the post recently) and any receipt books sent to them. If you have misplaced your form, a replacement can be downloaded from [www.msreadathon.org.au](http://www.msreadathon.org.au) or call 1300 677 323 to speak to the State Office.



**SKILLS CLINIC**

**BENDIGO**

**MCDONALD'S U6 -U10 SKILLS CLINIC**

**VICTORIAN LITTLE ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION**

**Tuesday 22nd September 2009**

**9.30am to 2.30pm**

**LaTrobe Uni Athletics Track**

**Retreat Road**

**Flora Hill, Bendigo**

**Entries Close Friday 18 September 09**

**AGE GROUPS AS PER THE 2009/10 SEASON**