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# Olinda Primary School

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## Have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season

We wish all the families at Olinda Primary School a safe, happy and refreshing holiday and look forward to seeing you all back at school again on Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> January 2015 – 9am SHARP!

Cornelia Sheeran, Ashleigh Franklin & Marina Heading

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## Looking back at a successful 2014

- New carpet throughout the school
- Freshly painted school entry
- School Review completed with outstanding results
- Extension to our chicken's home
- Vegetable garden planted
- Green Army garden renovation
- Welcome to Country Ceremony with Murrindindi
- Excellent NAPLAN results
- Bendigo Bank grant received
- Rhododendron Gardens Fundraiser
- Solomon Trail Fundraiser
- Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser
- Election Day BBQ Fundraiser
- Art prizes to Olinda students from various competitions



## Calendar of Events

### January 30

30/01/15

First Day Back at School!!

### February & March

Staff Attending 'Write to Read' Professional Development for three Saturdays in February and 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> March.

### March 6

Curriculum Day – No School

### March 13

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### March 14

14 – 22 March

Cultural Diversity Week

### March 16

Somers Year 4/5 Camp

## Foundation Transition

During February next year all the Foundation students will be attending one Wednesday afternoon session to undertake a literacy and numeracy assessment with Miss Franklin and Mrs Sheeran. They are not required to attend any other Wednesday until after Labour Day.

## Somers Optional Year 4/5 Camp

Some of our Year 4's and 5's are attending the Somers School Camp from March 16<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup>.



## Hot Shots!

Kalorama Tennis Club is hosting a FREE holiday tennis clinic on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2015, 5pm – 7pm. Come along and join in the fun!!

## Coming up in 2015

- Acclaimed whole school Phonics Program 'Write to Read' commencing – proven in Victorian schools to have outstanding results
- Premier's Reading Challenge
- Upwey Arts Festival
- Amphitheatre reconstruction
- Painting of student toilets
- Development of our Library & Language Centre
- Further integrating Developmental Movement Therapy into our curriculum



## Personal Development

### Play is the Way

We are very pleased with how well the students have embraced the Play Is The Way program. We have seen remarkable improvement in each child's self-esteem, ability to bounce back and move forward in positive and strong pro-social ways.



### The 4i's of good parenting

- Interest
- Invest
- Identify
- Inspired

Read more about this at <https://playistheway.com.au/content/9-for-parents>