

# Fishy News

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## A message from the Principal

Hi all,

Well what a crazy week to end another crazy year! I would once again like to thank all families for their great response to our positive covid case. We have been extremely fortunate to only receive our first case this late in the school year. All schools will eventually be touched by this in one way or the other; It doesn't matter how it got here, it was inevitable that it was going to come. To put it into perspective, a school that I used to work at has already had 87 cases in their school community. For us to have just one case and for every test to come back negative, we are very lucky.

I would like to wish students, parents, staff and all involved in our Fish Creek community a safe and happy Christmas. It has once again been a very busy and unusual year. To our departing grade 6 students I wish you the best of luck next year in Secondary College. You have been a fantastic group and I am sure that a bright future awaits all of you.

We also have a big farewell to Caroline Sinclair who has worked in Educational Support at the school for the last 13 years. Caroline has worked with many students over her time at our school and has had a profound effect on all of them. We wish her all the best in her retirement.

Additionally, after 22 years, Trish Moon will no longer be driving the Yanakie bus to school. I would hate to think the amount of times that Trish has driven that road. As a bus driver, Trish always goes above and beyond in her duty and I know she cares very deeply for all the students she has transported over the years. The Moon family have been great supporters of the school and we wish them well on their next journey, whatever that may be. Next year we will do an official thank you to Caroline and Trish, when we can have full assemblies again.

Today we had our mini fair. All students had a great time at this event. A big thank you to Mrs Hamlett and all the JSC crew for helping to run and organise this event, it was a great day.

At the conclusion of our Mini fair we held our final assembly for the year to present our school awards. All awards winners were very deserving and I would also like to thank all the people and community groups that donated the awards. The award winners were as follows:

Rotary award for excellence donated by Foster Rotary was won by **Leticia Prosser**

Principals award, donated by me, was won by **Tex Dyson**.

Leadership award donated by South Gippsland Shire, was won by **Isla Sands Morris**.

S.T.E.M award donated by South Gippsland Radiology was won by **Oscar Bright**.

Kindness award donated by Pam Seuren was won by **Cody Gerretzen**.

Lance Moon award for the most improved donated by the Moon family was won by

**Leonard Quinn**.

Anne Bright Art award, donated by Rick Bright, was won by **Rhylee Box**.

We additionally have two extra awards this year which were very kindly donated by the Fish Creek RSL on behalf of their century celebrations. These awards were given to those whom we believed emphasised our core school values of Respect, Fairness and Commitment throughout their schooling. The recipients were **Abbie Taylor** and **Will Healy**.

After we shut down for a month over the Christmas holidays, we will be up and running again on **Monday the 31st of January** when our students return for the 2022 school year. Just one final reminder: if you are going away on this holiday break, please drive carefully, stay safe and we look forward to seeing everyone next year.

Cheers Dale.



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### IMPORTANT DATES

#### JANUARY 2022

Mon 31st First Day Term 1

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR



# Fish Creek Mini Fair



### FLEUR SETEFANI MEMORIAL BUDDY SEAT

We are very fortunate to have a new addition to our fairy garden. A group of Fleur’s friends from MacRobertson Girls High School in Melbourne, in conjunction with the Stefani family, have organised to have a buddy bench made.

The lovely painting that Tina Jacobsen did for Fleur has been embedded into the seat and a friendship plaque is being organised to go onto the back of the seat.

Eros Galli, Fleur’s brother-in-law, spent many hours constructing the seat from timber from the Stefani farm and it looks absolutely amazing!

Today, we unveiled the seat with the help of Corinna and Damien Stefani, and it sits proudly up in our fairy garden, waiting for our fairies to come and visit. Fleur provided the finance that kick started the fairy garden and it has been a hit with the younger students in particular, for several years. The new buddy bench is a very fitting memorial to Fleur’s belief in fairies and fun times.

In the photo, Damien, Julia, Frankie, Eros (all seated) and Corinna and Andrew who provided the muscle power to get the seat into the garden.



**Bluey craft session**  
**Tue Jan 11**  
**10:30 am**

**FOSTER**  
*Summer*  
**HOLIDAYS**

**Bookings required**

**slime**  
**Fri Jan 14**  
**10:30 am**



**SPHERO BOTS**  
**TUES JAN 18**  
**2:30 PM**



**Sea monkey habitats**  
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