

Fishy News

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A message from the Principal

Hi all,

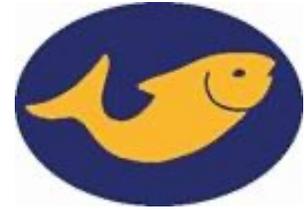
On Friday the 18th of March we are having a whole school activity where all members of the Fish Creek community are invited. After school we will be having a bike ride down the rail trail followed by a BBQ tea from 5:00pm. All levels of riders are welcome, the main priority is that you enjoy yourself. This has always been a great event and it was a wonderful way to bring members of the schooling community together.

All students in grade 3 and 5 should have received information regarding NAPLAN and how it is transitioning to an online format in 2022. If you did not receive anything from your child please contact the office. Naplan is not until week 3 of term 2, but it is important to get the information out early to all families as preparations begin early. Students on the 15th of March will sit a school readiness test, that is basically where we are checking our internet capabilities are sufficient enough to cope with the demands of on line NAPLAN and on the 24th of March the whole state does a practice test at the same time to ensure the system is ready.

Our Parents and Friends (PnF) group is back up and running for 2022. The last couple of years it has been very difficult for our PnF group to run efficiently with remote learning. In previous years our PnF group has done a power of work raising much needed funds for the school and school community. If you are interested in joining our Parents and Friends group and are looking at ways to support the school please come down to our first PnF meeting for the year on Wednesday the 2nd of March at 9am at the school.

After a long wait our school leaders finally received their badges. Our leaders have been doing a great job this term they are all extremely proactive and all work well together to make our school a better place. Some of the jobs our leaders have been doing this term include running our assemblies over the loud speaker, organising lunchtime activities, writing articles for the newsletter just to name a few. Well done to all our leaders, keep up the great work.

Cheers Dale.



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IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH 2022

Tue 8th	School Council
Thurs 10th	School Photos
Mon 14th	Labour Day Public Holiday
Wed 16th	PnF AGM
Thu 17th	Grade 3/4 Venus Bay Bug Blitz
Fri 18th	Whole School Bike Ride
23rd—25th	Grade 3/4 Camp Forest Lodge

PRIMARY WELFARE

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DON'T FORGET!



SCHOLASTIC

Book Club

orders are due:

25th March 2022

Student of the Week



School Photos

Forms for school photos went home today, please ensure they are returned to school by next Thursday 10th for school photos. Please note that class photos will be done differently this year. Individual photos will be grouped together for the class photos. Sibling forms/spare forms are available in the office. Please contact us if you would like one sent home with your child.

Sport — Interviews with Division Swimmers

Alannah: placed 5th in the Age 11 Freestyle relay

What other schools were there? Basically all of South Gippsland. Where was the swimming? Korumburra.

How was it? It was fun & exciting but we had to wait for at least 3 hours.

What else happened? We went on the bus with Foster and Foster gave us ice cream sundaes.

Annie Jean: placed 5th in the Age 11 Freestyle relay & 4th in Age 11 Breaststroke

How was it? It was really fun but we had to wait a long time to swim.

What other schools were there? I saw a lot of them there, I think most of this area.

Where was it held: Korumburra public pool.

Addie: placed 4th in Age 9-10 Breaststroke

How was it? It was fun but when I came out of the water I wasn't that happy. I had to wait a long time.

What other schools were there? Most of the South Gippsland schools like Foster, Leongatha, Toora and the other schools.

Where was it held? It was at Korumburra public pool.

Kyla, Archer & South

Around the school

It has been wonderful to see Impromptu student led emu parades during recess and lunchtimes. Great work guys!



In Buddies the Grade 6's have been extending their buddies' understanding of shape.



MARC Van

Please note that the MARC Van will be visiting us on Monday the 7th of March instead of Friday for next week. Please send in returns tomorrow or Monday.



Primary Welfare

The background to our mornings has always been the radio. My girls can pick the musician playing a new song just by the sound of their voice and the instruments they use. I love the chatter, the talkback and the have always enjoyed being up to date with the news from the radio too.

More recently not so much, I feel like there are so many big things happening in the world and I am a tiny little dot who can't fix or change them. At the beginning of the pandemic, I would wake up in the middle of the night worrying and find it hard to get back to sleep.

What we see and hear on the news can be distressing for our kids too. We try to limit the exposure our kids have to the news, but it is EVERYWHERE, and our kids have access to news that generations before have not had.

It is important to have age-appropriate conversations with our kids about what they are seeing or hearing on the news and remind them of the wonderful things which are happening in the world that don't make the news. There are also wonderful people doing wonderful things throughout these big traumatic events.

My Granny used to say, 'life's quick' and grasp at it with joy and sparkle, she stopped buying the papers altogether so she could take care of her mind. I think of her when I take spontaneous after school beach trips, walks on the rail trail, climbing Mt Nichol, snuggling with delightful books and sunset picnic dinners on our hill.

Now days when I lay awake worrying about the state of the world, I make a plan of something I CAN do, rather than the things that I can't. If I am worrying about climate, I might plan out my garden, if I am worried about conflict, I think about how I can encourage peace and harmony with the children I know. If I am worried about sickness, I plan out healthy meals and weekly exercise.

Please reach out if your child or you need some support as there are many things which school can do.

Donna Giliam- Primary Welfare

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Science Upcycling with Mr Farrell

Don't forget to keep sending in your 1.25 litre bottles for a project we are doing later in the term.

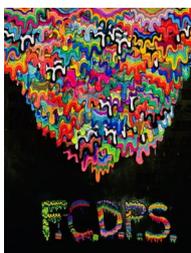
Fish Creek Tea Cosy Festival

Calling Old Teapots!

Our school will be decorating the entrance to the Fishy Hall for the Tea Cosy Festival. The plan is to decorate old teapots and hang them on an archway ... so we need teapots! Please bring them in to school for the Art Room ASAP ☺

Art

Students across the school contributed to this Psychedelic art work inspired by Californian artist Jen Stark. Grade 3/4's created a clever collage that formed two hands connecting. Both pieces were entered in the Foster Show.



Seeds in Space

This week, the Grade 5 and Grade 6 classes started our *What'll Happen to the Wattle* experiment, which is centred around golden wattle seeds that were sent to the International Space Station (ISS) for six-months. The seeds were exposed to the conditions on the ISS and then scientists collected the seeds and sent them to some lucky schools in Australia. The objective of the experiment is to test the effect of microgravity on seed germination and plant growth. Our school was chosen after we sent a video entry to 'The One Giant Leap Foundation', which featured some creative ideas from our students submitted during remote learning. In the package we got from T.O.G.L.F, there was: space wattle seeds labelled with a star, Earth (or control) seeds labelled E, a container to grow the seeds in and a lid for it, sand paper for scarification*, a syringe, and potting mix. This week we scarified the seeds and put them in boiling water for twenty-four hours. We then planted the seeds in a seedling greenhouse, and will now collect and report data on their germination! Stay tuned for more updates on this exciting experiment!

*Scarification: a process in which the shell of a seed is weakened making germination easier, therefore influencing germination.

Carmine, STEM Captain, and his gracious assistant, Ms Ellis



STEM with Carmine

This week in S.T.E.M club we tried to do an experiment on photosynthesis but it didn't work. We had all the required items but got stuck on the point where you deoxygenate the spinach discs so they can photosynthesise but they wouldn't deoxygenate. Even though the experiment didn't work, it was still fun to attempt to deoxygenate the spinach. Other than trying to deoxygenate THE STUPID SPINACH we had the marble run and the crane going so it wasn't a total waste. Bot is currently not functioning because his power switch somehow broke.

Carmine, STEM Captain

School Leaders



Captains: Julia & Mabel
Vice Captains: Casey, Alistair & Owen (absent)



Environmental Captains: Fynley & Sophie



Art Captain: Ebony



Sport Captains: Archer, South & Kyla



Stem Captain: Carmine



Dear School Community,
The last week we've been painting and designing our beast collection. Some children have started to turn them into sculptures which will later be wrapped in papier-mache & painted. There have been some very creative responses to the theme; Corona virus hedgehogs, Froggy creatures with floating mouths, Cartoon Owls, pogo footed chickens and a number of creatures that defy explanation.

The children continue turning these creatures into Pokemon cards and have started to amass quite a collection of fantastic characters.

We've also cooked with mixed results and continue to give our bodies a work-out with Dodgeball, Cone Game, Pony Express and Obstacle Courses.

The program is responsive to children's needs, so please feel free to make suggestions or come in for a chat about how the program can support your child's wellbeing, learning and development.

Our operating hours are;

B 4 S C – 7.00 am to 8.45 am weekdays

A S C - 3.00 pm to 6.00 pm weekdays

Phone: 0457 555 261



Toora Primary School

EVERYONE WELCOME FOR A FANTASTIC FAMILY EVENT
SUITABLE FOR AGES 4-12

4 MARCH
FROM 4PM

COLOUR EXPLOSION & OBSTACLE COURSE

PLEASE WEAR WHITE CLOTHING THAT YOU DON'T MIND GETTING STAINED

Music
Sausage Sizzle
Fairy floss
Slushies

**\$10 PER RUNNER
\$20 PER FAMILY**

For more info please contact Toora PS - 56862283

WE HAVEN'T SEEN YOU IN A WHILE!

LPD IS BACK!
JOIN THE #LPDFAM IN 2022

READY TO COME BACK TO DANCE?

BALLET HIP HOP
JAZZ MUSICAL THEATRE
TAP ACROBATICS
CONTEMPORARY EXAMS

CONTACT US NOW FOR YOUR
FREE TRIAL CLASS

WE ARE NOW A
READY DANCE
OFFICIAL LOCATION

NEW INVERLOCH STUDIO

SEEKING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST:

STINGRAYS

UNDER 10, 12 & 14 PLAYERS, COACHES & TEAM MANAGERS FOR SEASON 2022 & BEYOND

BOYS & GIRLS

1/1/2008 - 31/12/2009 - UNDER 14'S
1/1/2010 - 31/12/2011 - UNDER 12'S
1/1/2012 - 31/1/2014 - UNDER 10'S

CORNER INLET STINGRAYS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB is affiliated with Southern Gippsland Junior Football Competition

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