

Fishy News

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A message from the Principal

Bus Safety

Last Thursday we had a bus incident where our bus was off the edge of the road and became bogged. We were very thankful that everyone was okay and that we had all students back at school by approximately 9:15. The incident did give us time to consider the importance of road safety; we are fortunate that all our buses are fitted with seatbelts and they must be worn at all times whilst students are on the bus. The bus is also not a place for mucking around and being silly, it is designed to get students safely from point A to point B. The driver's main and only focus should be on the road to ensure safe travel. I have also noticed that at the end of the day around the school parking area, many people are not using the school crossing to cross the road. This is a very busy area with buses and cars stopping frequently; the crossing is there for all our safety, let's make sure that we use it.

The other lesson I personally learnt from last week is don't believe everything that you hear in the media. I felt there was a lot of unnecessary panic caused by certain media outlets, due to their false and exaggerated claims about the incident. I know speaking to a lot of parents of students who travelled on the bus, they would also agree.

Student Free Day

Just a reminder tomorrow **Friday the 2nd of June is a student free day**. On this day teachers will be finalising their report comments and progression points.

Cross Country

Well done to Ned, Daisy, Hamish and AJ who all participated in the All Gippsland cross country finals in Drouin today. In 9-10 year old Girls Daisy placed 15th, 11 year old Girls AJ placed 21st, 11 Year old Boys Hamish 33rd and Ned 38th. All four did an amazing job and should be very proud of their efforts.

Winter Sports

Well done to the 27 grade 5/6 students who slogged it out in the mud and rain for our Winter sports finals on Monday. Our students competed in basketball, netball, football and soccer. I was really impressed with the resilience and determination that our students showed. They all followed our school values of Respect, Commitment and Fairness and played their sports in the right spirit. Well done to our netballers who made it through to the next level, your teamwork and passing was amazing and also a big thanks to Miss Ellingworth for her super coaching skills.



Rapid Antigen Tests

Just a reminder if you require any additional Rapid Antigen Tests please don't hesitate to contact the office.

Cheers
Dale



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IMPORTANT DATES

June	2023
Thu 1st	Regional Cross Country
Fri 2nd	Report Writing Day (Student Free Day)
Fri 9th	Grade 6 to Year 7 (1st Transition Day)
Mon 12th	Kings Birthday (Student Free Day)
Mon 19 - 21st	Grade 3/4 Camp (Phillip Island)
Mon 19-23rd	Grade 5/6 Camp (Alpine Camp)
Fri 23rd	Last Day of Term 2

July	2023
Mon 10th	First Day Term 3

PRIMARY WELFARE

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Student of the Week



Primary Welfare

I have started writing this piece for the newsletter 3 times already and I am finding it hard to find the right words. This week is National Reconciliation Week, and the theme is 'Be a Voice for Future Generations'.

My first attempt was going along the pathway of the hundreds of different languages in Australia and how keeping this language alive, keeps families and stories stitched together.

My second was about the climb at Uluru and the story of a young Anangu boy who told me 'white fellas will do what they want anyway'.

My third attempt is this one now. It is tricky to write about this because while I want a voice for future generations, I am not sure I should be the person with the keyboard writing the story, so I write this from my heart and not my head.

I write for the little boy who thought his voice would not be heard or for the young people I taught out bush who had to do NAPLAN in their second or third language. I write for the old women who would whisper sad stories to me near the fire. I write for the heartbreak of a sacred site being mined or climbed on or chopped down for a road. Or for the old man who was paid minimum wage for his ancient knowledge on land management.

And I write with my eyes welling with tears, my ears and mind open because it is time to listen.

I am listening.

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World Ocean Day

World Ocean Day is an international day that takes place annually on 8 June. The purpose of the Day is to tell the public of the impact of human actions in the ocean, develop a worldwide movement of citizens for the ocean, and organize and unite the world's population on a project for the sustainable management of the world's oceans.

Here are some ocean facts:

- ◆ Nearly 71% of the world is the sea.
- ◆ Oceans are home to over 90% of all life on earth.
- ◆ 16-21% of the world's coral reefs are in Australia.
- ◆ Australia has more ocean than land; 10 MILLION square kilometres of ocean to 7.69 million square kilometres of land.
- ◆ About 5 TRILLION pieces of plastic are floating in the world's oceans.



Fibreglass Cow Mending Needed

Our senior students would love to freshen up our original Dairy Australia cow with the left-over paint from our current cow decoration project.

Sadly, she is a little the worse for wear and needs a hole patched before she can be painted.

If you have the skills and a bit of spare time, we would love to hear from you!



Reconciliation Week

As part of recognising Reconciliation Week, Year 5/6 have been creating their own Acknowledgement of Country. Here are a few examples that we will be using in our classroom:

I pay my respects to elders past, present and emerging and celebrate the diversity of Aboriginal people and their ongoing cultures and connections to the land of Victoria. I also acknowledge and pay my respects to our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders joining us today. - Ned Fitz-Gerald

We would like to acknowledge the Boon Wurrung and Gunai/Kurnai land. We thank those people from the past, present and emerging and we'll continue to care for the land which we are on today. - Emma Hannigan



Signmee

Please check you are up to date with the following Signmee permissions.

- Grade 3/4 Camp Phillip Island
- Grade 5/6 Snow Camp
- Student Free Day—Friday 2nd June (Tomorrow)
- Grade 6 Transition Visit— Foster Secondary College Friday 9th June



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MID-SEASON ENTRY

It's not too late to join the fun!

Register for NAB AFL Auskick now for only \$55 plus receive an exclusive goodies pack!

play.afl/auskick

Late Arrivals/ Early departures

Just a reminder, students arriving late to school need to be walked in by an adult who needs to register the late arrival on the iPad at the office. If you are collecting your child early from school, please head to the office and record their early departure on the iPad also.



Bus Travellers

With the term coming to an end, a reminder to parents of bus travellers to please let the office know of any changes, permanent or temporary, to bus travel arrangements. Permanent/regular changes must be submitted in writing to the office.



Lost Property

A friendly reminder to parents to ensure that your child's name is clearly marked on their uniforms to assist us returning them to their owners. Currently we do have quite a few items in our lost property, please come and look through for any missing items.



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 number: 0457 555 261

To enrol, please visit TheirCare website www.theircare.com.au and click "Book Now" in the top right- hand corner to register your child's details. If you would like help with this, come and visit Lucy during session times in the kitchen, or call her on 0457 555 261. Upon request, we can send home a notice with Operation Times and Fees with your child.



"respect all, fear none"

SOUTHERN FUSION NETBALL CLUB 2023 SPRING TRIALS

Do you want to take your netball to the next level? Southern Fusion is for you!

Southern Fusion Netball Club is the South Gippsland representative club which aims to develop players into the Netball Victoria Development Pathway. We extend players knowledge, skills & understanding using an experienced team of qualified coaches for training, development sessions and match play.

Players will compete in state-of-the-art facilities on indoor courts, Wednesday nights, at Casey Netball Association's Casey Stadium.

Spring season runs from July-November (no play during school holidays)

Scheduled training sessions are held on Sundays at Meeniyan & District Sports Stadium.

Take the opportunity to come and trial for Southern Fusion's Spring Season.

Southern Fusion Trials

The selection process for the Spring 2023 season is open.

Every attempt is made to accommodate all players who trial by selection in a Fusion representative team, development team or as a training partner; however, our ability to place players depends on trial and coaching numbers.

Date: Tuesday 13th June 2023 (Meeniyan Sports Stadium)

Time: Under 13's 5:30pm-6:30pm

Under 15's 6:00pm-7:00pm

Under 17's -6:30pm-7:30pm

Date: Sunday 18th June 2023 (Meeniyan Sports Stadium)

Time: Under 13's 10:00am-11:00am

Under 15's 10:30am-11:30am

Under 17's TBC

**What to wear: white or light top with shorts.
No skins or leggings**

Register your intention to trial at:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1LlhQYvMenqPRufN97lg9a_PUPjGk1dkm8TNiwANQv0/edit

For any further information please contact Leonnie on 0400153092

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