

# Fishy News

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## Principal's Message

Like the rest of the country, our school had been gripped with Matilda fever. The World Cup has been brilliant with many highlights throughout. We wish them well for the third place final against Sweden. It has been interesting watching at lunchtime as soccer is getting played more and more on our oval as the Matildas progress. Win, lose or draw it has been wonderful seeing women's sport dominate the headlines and given the credit they deserve for matching it with the best on the world's stage.

### Vic Spell

Well done to Ava and Emma on their fantastic effort in the Vic Spell competition. On Monday Ava and Emma travelled to San Remo to take on the best spellers from around the region. Both girls did a fantastic job progressing through the first few rounds until a couple of tough words stumped them, one of them being menagerie. I know I would have been knocked out in that round as well. Great effort girls.



### Book Week

Next week is Book Week. We have lots of great events planned to help celebrate the week, culminating in a dress up day on Friday. This year's theme is Read, Grow and Inspire. I feel this theme shows what the power of reading can do. It can take you to another world or light a passion for your future direction. As a school I am proud of our reading results in recent years and hopefully we have installed in all our students a true love of reading.

Additionally, as part of book week we are very fortunate to have with us renowned Australian author Isobelle Carmody who will be working with all students on Tuesday. Isobelle is one of Australia's most highly regarded and prominent authors of fantasy for children and young adult readers. Her most well known novels being the "Obernewtyn" series of books which she began writing as a 14 year old. She was awarded the Nance Donkin Award given biennially by the Society of Women Writers Victoria to an outstanding Australian children's author.

### Prep Information Night

On Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of August from 7pm in the prep room we have our Prep Information Night. Our senior students whom are presenting on the night have been working very hard on their speeches. We look forward to a great night where we can really showcase how wonderful our school is.

### Parent Opinion Survey

Just a reminder the Parent Opinion Survey is open and we would love you to complete it for us. Login details were included in the Signmee sent out last week.

Cheers,  
Dale



## FISH CREEK & DISTRICT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### IMPORTANT DATES

**August :**  
**24th— PNF Movie**  
**25th— Book week Dress Up**  
**September :**  
**8th—PJ Day**  
**12th—School Council 7pm**  
**14th Division Athletics**  
**Casey Fields**  
**15th Jump Rope for Heart**  
**End of Term**  
**2:30 dismissal**

### PRIMARY WELFARE

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## Book Club

they help build our  
classroom resources



# Student of the Week



## Movie Day

Next Thursday, 24th August our PnF & JSC are hosting a Movie Day, showing Ponyo. With a great movie, hot chocolate and popcorn all on offer, our students are bound to enjoy the afternoon. Cost for the event is \$3. Please send the money into school on Thursday.

## Father's/Special Person's Day Stall

PnF will be running a stall on Friday 1st September. All gifts are \$5 so please send the money in with your child on the day.

## Changes to Lunch Orders

Evans have asked that all lunch orders be made either in person at the shop or via the school, with money included. They WILL NO LONGER accept phone calls. They have also altered their menu. Can you please ensure that you choose items ONLY from the menu.

## "K" Run Club – no.3

34 students, Miss Ellingworth and Ms Giliam took to the rail trail on Tuesday to participate in the "K" Run Club. Well done to Hamish, AJ, Petra, Daisy & Marlow who have all run a PB for each of the 3 races thus gaining the maximum of 30 points.

## Can you help?

With a change in Department policy, we can no longer invoice you for any contribution for your child's education. Therefore, we ask that you consider if you are in the position to help support the school with a voluntary financial contribution. This year we set that at \$170 per child with a \$20 per family grounds levy. We use this money to help cover some of the costs of providing the curriculum to your child, including supplying all stationery and resources your child needs for the year. If you can help in this way, please deposit the funds into the school bank account at your earliest convenience. If you would like to know more, please speak to Irene. Thank you to those families who have already supported us in this way.

## Prep School Nurse Forms

Our Preps all received forms for the School Nurse last week. Can you please complete and return as soon as possible.

## Plastic Bottles

Mr Farrell is in need of some 600ml plastic bottles for a science experiment. If you can help, please send them into the office as soon as possible.

## Primary Welfare

Last year my daughter Lola got an ADHD diagnosis, she was 19 years old and with the diagnosis came clarity and relief. My Lola was the sort of child who was in the trees or fixated on a project (until she wasn't) or would get lost in time and never know where her shoes were. As her mum, I am possibly wired up in the same way, so we rolled along with her projects and mine, her lost shoes and my missing wallet and we climbed the trees together.

One of the characteristics of ADHD is impulsivity, doing things without fully thinking things through. With Lola we never know what is coming next and one day this 'impulsivity' came in the form of a large 4-year-old dalmatian named Cruise whom she rescued from a chain where he worked on a puppy farm. I was so cross with her, she was living in a share house in Brunswick and only had just enough money to survive, it was in the middle of the 2021 lockdowns, and she did not really have a secure job – how on Earth was she going to look after a large bouncy dalmatian?

But she did and when she couldn't, I did. He slept on the girl's beds, he ran the trail with me each morning, he followed me everywhere around the house and made me feel loved – until his 'rescuer' Lola visited, then he would forget me and not leave her side. He was big, loving and filled up so much of our lives.

A few weeks ago, Cruise was diagnosed with cancer and on Sunday night we had to say goodbye to our big boy forever. Cruise taught me a lot, he taught me that my daughter's choices may seem outlandish, but I need to trust her judgement, he reminded me that love is easy and that everyone has a champion, and his was a short 19-year-old without a secure job. He taught her to smile in the lockdowns and that her decision making was better than she thought!

Donna Giliam

Primary Welfare

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## Book Week Dress Up Day

Start thinking of your favourite book character to dress up as on the 15th of Sept. We're looking forward to seeing your costumes.

## Bank Account Details

We are currently in the process of changing bank accounts. Can you please ensure all future payments are paid into the following account:

BSB 063 093

Account 1000 1282

Fish Creek & District Primary School

Whilst the Bendigo account is currently still opening it will be closed soon so please, if you have our details saved in your banking program please alter them as soon as possible.

## Rapid Antigen Tests

If you require any additional Rapid Antigen Tests please don't hesitate to contact the office.

## The Matildas on the Big Screen

Come and join in the excitement of the third place final at Yanakie Hall on Saturday.

**GOOOOOO  
MATILDAS**



**WATCH THE  
FIFA WOMEN'S WORLD CUP  
THIRD PLACE FINAL  
SWEDEN VS AUSTRALIA  
LIVE ON THE  
YANAKIE BIG SCREEN**



*Yanakie Hall*

**SATURDAY 19TH AUGUST  
DOORS OPEN 5PM  
THE HEATING WILL BE ON  
GOLD COIN DONATION ENTRY**

- BYO alcohol and nibbles
- Cans of soft drinks, water and popcorn available to purchase \$3 each (cash only)

## PnF Sock Drive

PnF have some crazy socks to sell at the minute, all ordered through Jolly Soles. Jump on their website to see a sample of what we have. Socks are \$7.50 a pair and students are able to bring in their money and choose a pair. If you would like to sell some for us, just drop in and ask at the office. Sizes include

