

Fishy News

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Principal's Message Book Week

We have had a great week celebrating book week, there has been non-stop events celebrating a love of reading. So far, we have had visits from the Foster Library, and the wonderful world-renowned author Isobelle Carmody. Today we had the PnF movie afternoon and tomorrow we finish with our book week dress up day. I know all of the students are looking forward to tomorrow and I can't wait to see them all dressed up in their costumes.

Mrs King on Leave

Just a notice that Mrs King (grade 3/4) is on long service leave for the rest of the term. Elle and her family are off to England on what should be a great adventure. She will be replaced by Mr Mollison for the rest of the term.



Prep Information Night

Our prep information night was a great success with many new families coming along to learn more about our school and learning environment. It is always a great occasion when you get to meet new families that will be joining our school community. The best part about our information night is that a vast proportion of the night is run by our grade 6 students. We had 6 grade 6 students volunteer their time and effort to come out to the school at night time to

talk to parents about the programs the school runs and what they like about our school.

Working Bee 8th Sept

On Friday the 8th of September we will be having a working bee in the garden. It would be great if any parents can help out on this day. Some of the jobs that we will be doing is weeding, pruning, moving mulch and green waste removal. If you would like any more information on the day please contact the office or Mr Farrell who will be coordinating the day.

Parents and Friends Father/Special Person's day stall

With Father/Special Person's day fast approaching, our wonderful Parents and Friends group will be running a Father/Special Person's day stall on Friday the 1st of September. Gifts at the stall will be \$5.00. Thank you to our PnF team for organising the stall. Additionally our PnF have socks for sale at the office to raise funds for the school. If you are interested in buying a pair just drop into the office at anytime.

Cheers,
Dale

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.

Rapid Antigen Tests

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



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IMPORTANT DATES

August :
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

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classroom resources



Student of the Week



Primary Welfare

Yesterday we were so fortunate to have Isobelle Carmody come and talk to our students. They sat captivated as she wove them her story. It was a story of family, imagination, adventure and human nature. It was a story of failure and success, of following her passion and taking the road less travelled.

We don't need much to tell our story, just our memory, our imagination and our voice. Often my kids and their cousins request I tell them a 'story from my head' if I start making something up, they beg me to tell a true one, one about when we were kids.

I dig deep into my brain and tell them the stories, often the same stories about mudslides and cubbies, kittens and lambing time, motorbikes and horses, my wild little brother and some of the smells he could create.

So, tell your children your story, tell them at bedtime or dinner time or instead of TV time. Illustrate the story with sound effects and adjectives and let them know where they have come from. It is magic.

The limits of our language are the limits of our world.

Donna Giliam Primary Welfare PH:0493131403

Prep School Nurse Forms

Our Preps all received forms for the School Nurse recently. Can you please complete and return as

FISHY CELEBRATES



**Come and celebrate our newly renovated hall,
10 years of the Tea Cosy Festival and
Nadia Stefani's Order of Australia award.**

Music by the Blind Cobblers Thumb

Afternoon tea/coffee & locally made punch.

Bring a plate of afternoon tea to share.

Dress up, prizes for creative fancy dress.

Free admittance

Sunday 27th August 1.30pm to 4.00pm

Fish Creek Memorial Hall

Author Visit – Isobelle Carmody

This Tuesday our students and staff were excited to welcome award-winning fantasy and science-fiction author, **Isobelle Carmody**, to our school. The 5/6 students have been studying extracts from her novels and picture story books as part of a reading project, while other classes read her picture book, *The Wrong Thing*, in preparation for her visit. It was an inspiring and entertaining session for students and staff alike, ending with one of the most enthusiastic rounds of questions for a visitor that I have observed. Isobelle's skills as a storyteller were evident in her ability to capture the audience's attention with very few bells and whistles, other than her wonderful ideas, imagination, and obvious high regard for children. Teachers were especially happy to hear her stress the importance of rewriting and editing to her success as a writer. 📖

Clare Ellis, 5/6 teacher

Here's a few responses from our students:

"I loved the way Isobelle Carmody used questions to write her books." Daisy

"She talked about how she made the books and got the ideas." Roxy

"She really connected with the children." Django

"I loved the Monster Game where she was scaring all her brothers and sisters!" Xavier

"Isobelle Carmody came to tell us about her amazing books and the inspiration to write them." Mya

"I loved listening to the fantastic stories she told." Mieka

"I like how Isobelle Carmody told us about her childhood." Lily

"It was amazing listening to her stories." Marlee

"Yesterday Isobelle Carmody came to our school and kindly told us how to be better writers." Ruby

"Isobelle was great and I loved her stories." Harlow

"I loved Isobelle Carmody's expressions." Brylie



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.

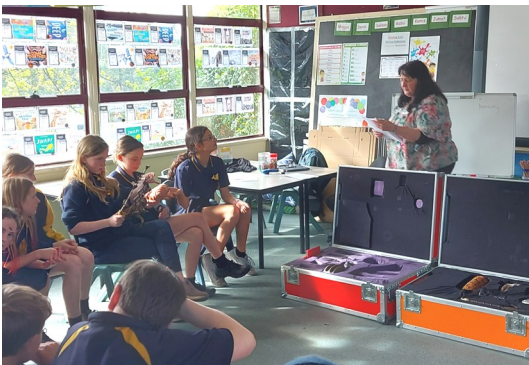
Bunnings Visit

Last Tuesday we had two representatives from Bunnings come to share their expertise on growing vegetables and looking after fruit trees. Joanne and Marie led the students in transforming the garden beds. Together they weeded, fertilised and mulched the beds and planted them out with a variety of vegetables generously donated by Bunnings. Our orchard also got some much needed love and it was heartwarming to hear the laughter, questions and comments that came from the garden. One of which was "I didn't know that gardening could be such fun."



NGA Travelling ART Boxes

This week the grade 5/6's enjoyed interacting and talking about art works from "The National Gallery of Australia in Canberra". In conjunction with Lisa Duvoisin from Foster Library who kindly helped organise this incursion, the students got to see, touch and talk about art works from many prominent Australian Artists.



GRAND WEEKEND OF MUSIC

8-10 September -Fish Creek Hall

Fish Creek Memorial Hall & Prom Recitals are presenting a weekend of concerts at the Fish Creek Hall. There'll be Jazz on Friday evening the 8th of September, A night of comedy cabaret on Sat the 9th and an afternoon of opera on Sun the 10th.

Bookings at Try booking

<https://www.trybooking.com/CKFDK> All tickets \$40

"K" Run Club No.4

The rain stopped long enough for 17 happy little vegemites to keep the tradition happening. The wet conditions weren't ideal for fast times but Alannah 4.15, Marlow 4.20 & Nathaniel 5.20 ran PB's. Ms Ellingworth 3.47 & Billee 4.13 managed equal PB's.

We now have an outright leader. Congrats to Marlow whose 4 runs & 4 PB's scored 40 points. Equal 2nd on 35 points are Hamish, AJ, & Daisy. 3rd is Billee on 33 points. Equal 4th on 30 points are Coby, Albert, Petra & Laynie.



Anyone for tennis?

The Fish Creek Tennis Club is looking for players for the upcoming 2023/24 tennis season.

We enter 3 teams of juniors into the Mirboo North and District Junior Tennis Assoc (MNDJTA) summer competition.

C grade -12 years and under

B grade - 15 years and under

A grade - 18 years and under

The season kicks off the first Saturday of Term 4 and then takes a break for the summer holidays.

Competition begins again at the beginning of Term 1 2024 and concludes in March.

Games are played on Saturday mornings and are generally concluded by 10.30am. Locations are Fish Creek, Leonagtha, Mardan and Mirboo North.

If you are interested in playing or knowing more contact Rachel Sands 0428873192

FAMDA - THIS WEEKEND

Aug 26/27 Foster Arts Music and Drama Association is hosting the annual Foster One Act Play Festival. The Young Players Junior section will be kicking off at 10am this Saturday with 3 plays and then four plays from the Seniors section start at 1pm. Foster War Memorial Arts Centre, Main St., Foster