

# Fishy News

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## Principal's Message Book Week

Last week we had a great time celebrating book week. There were so many highlights. The students all loved listening to renowned author Isobelle Carmody. The movie afternoon run by PnF was another fabulous event. Dress up Day last Friday saw many students go to great efforts to dress up as their favourite book character; I loved seeing all of the different costumes. The culminating parade was a wonderful show of creativity and colour. But my personal favourite would have to have been the teachers once again defeating the students in our teachers versus students' basketball game on Friday afternoon. A big thank you to Miss Ellingworth and Lucas who absolutely dominated for the teacher's team.



## Shrek the Musical

Students were very excited at Monday morning assembly when it was announced by Mrs Murray that we will be doing a school production in term 4 this year. After looking at a few different options we have decided that we will be performing SHREK the musical. Previously our school productions have been on a 2 year cycle but we haven't been able to have one for a while due to COVID, our last production was Pirates of the Curry Bean in 2019.

## Introducing Jackie Deering & Jacqui Hillier



I would just like to formally introduce and welcome two new staff members to our team in Jackie Deering and Jacqui Hillier. Jackie D is working at our school in educational support, while Jacqui H is working in office administration and educational support. Both have fitted into the school community extremely well and I know they will both be a



tremendous asset to the school. The only issue is that with Jaclyn Smith, we now have too many Jackies at our school, which can be a bit confusing.

## Father/Special Person's Day Stall Tomorrow

**\$5** Tomorrow our wonderful Parents and Friends group will be running a Father/ Special Person's Day stall (Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> 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



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## IMPORTANT DATES

**September :**  
**1st Sept Father/Special Person's Stall**  
**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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# Student of the Week



## Primary Welfare

I stood in front of a world map in a classroom the other day and pondered on how huge the world is and thought about how much easier it is to move around it now compared to when my dad migrated to Australia. Back then it took 6 weeks by boat to get here from Friesland and he did not even know if he would ever go back again.

When Lola was a baby her grandma, Ros used to tell me how she used to have to wash all her kids' nappies in a copper and how grateful she was when she finally got a twin tub washing machine!

It is amazing how quickly technology has moved and changed in my lifetime. When I was first at university, I had to look at actual journals and books when I was doing my research, now I am back at uni and these days I can access databases with information from all over the world from my kitchen table. I can do this while my dishwasher is doing my dishes and my front-loading washing machine scrubs my clothes.

While I embrace the opportunities and ease this technology can give us, I think it is important to also always consider if we are using it as a tool or it is 'using us.' It is important to challenge our tech use; do I really need that new app? Does everyone really need regular updates on our lives? Do I really need to monitor my sleep, my steps, my food and water intake and do my kids really need to chat with each other for hours online or in games? Are there other things we can do to connect with others instead?

Our lives are short and precious, and the world is huge and it feels much better to be out in it than always looking at it through a screen.

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## Garden Working Bee

Just a reminder that next Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> of September, we will be having a working bee in the garden. It would be great if some parents can help out on this day. Jobs include weeding, pruning, moving mulch and green waste removal. If you would like any more information about the day please contact the office or Mr Farrell who will be coordinating the day

## 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.

## Grade 6 Transition Day

On Wednesday our Grade 6 students will once again head off to Foster Secondary College for another transition day. Students will be familiarising themselves to what a traditional day at Secondary College looks like. It's a great opportunity for students to practice moving between classes and also a chance to meet their teachers and fellow classmates for 2024.

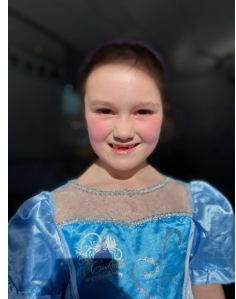
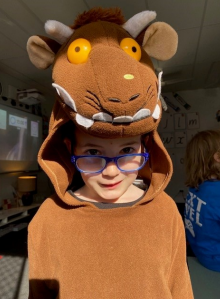
## PJ Day



## Friday September 8th

Please bring a gold coin donation to raise money for the pyjama foundation to help foster kids.

Sincerely,  
JSC



 **TheirCare**  
Where Kids love to be!



# GLOWTOPIA

## DANCE PARTY!

# LET'S GLOW CRAZY!

**WEEK 9** **BOOK NOW!**

Light up the dance floor!  
Let's celebrate raising money for our WeCare charity.  
Join in on the fun at after school care at TheirCare!

**Our WeCare Charity**  
Ronald McDonald  
House Charity

**Date and time:**  
Tuesday 5th September  
After School Care: 3:20 - 6:00





## Fish Creek Coding Club - Term 4

### Details:

Fridays, 3.30 pm - 5.00 pm

Fish Creek Primary School

Ages: Grade 3 - 6

Afternoon tea (fruit) provided.

### Why Coding?

- Coding opens doors to creativity and problem-solving.
- Create games, stories, and more.
- Learn skills for the digital age.

### What You'll Learn

Students will create some amazing projects while developing skills from **Scratch** or **Python** learning pathways. For additional information visit <https://www.codeclubau.org/>

### Enrol Now:

⚠ Spots are limited!

To secure your spot or for more information, email Mr. Mollison at [nicholas.mollison@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:nicholas.mollison@education.vic.gov.au). Enrolment forms will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis.

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