Fishy News

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Principal's Message

I can't believe another term is over, they seem to be going so fast! This term has been extremely busy with several major events; teachers created educational and fun activities around Book Week, Fishy Stories and Careers Day, just to name a few. As I walk around our class rooms I am always amazed at the learning growth of all of our students. There are also many events for our students to look forward to in term 4 including the grade 2 sleep over, the senior swimming program, the school production, an after lunch disco and more kinder transition days. I hope everyone has a wonderful school holiday break and enjoys the warmer weather. If your team is still in the AFL finals, I hope they do well, unless it is Collingwood; I really hope they lose by a lot next weekend. Also, good luck to the Fish Creek Football Club and the 3 Netball teams as their seniors once again fight for the premiership on Saturday.

End of Term

Just a final reminder that as tomorrow is the last day of term it will be an early dismissal at 2:30pm and buses will run 50 mins earlier.

Welcome back

Next term we welcome back Mrs Smith, Mrs Hamlett and Mrs King after their well-deserved long service leave. Thank you to Mr Mollison and Mrs Murray for covering their grades throughout term 3.

District Athletics

Today we have 8 students representing the school at Division athletics at Casey Fields Regional Athletic Centre. Good luck to all the students involved I know you have all been practicing hard and will all represent the school proudly. We will print their results in the next newsletter.



Work Experience

Thank you to Max Woodall who has been completing work experience at our school this week. Max has been working with the senior grades and also been playing a lot of sport with the students every recess and lunchtime. Thanks for all your efforts Max and I hope you enjoyed your time at our school.



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DISTRICT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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IMPORTANT DATES

September: 15th—End of Term 2:30 dismissal

October: 2nd—Start of Term 4 10th—School Council 7pm 27th— PnF School Disco

PRIMARY WELFARE

Donna Giliam Phone: 03 9080 1881 email: donna.giliam@education.vic.gov.au



Cheers, Dale

Student of the Week



Primary Welfare

Some days I get talking to Mr Farrell and he leaves me with a song to listen to, a book to read or a thought to ponder on. Last week we ended up having a chat about the deep ache of loneliness and how this impacts both mental and physical health.

While this sounds like a really depressing conversation to have around the microwave in the staff room, it really got me thinking about the part we play in combatting loneliness. It starts in a school yard, seeing someone alone and asking them if they want to play or if they are ok. Or, maybe it is making sure that your work mate feels included or the new player in the club feels like they belong.

Today is RUOK? Day and the students have been learning about how to ask someone if they are ok, how to actively listen and how to encourage their friends to take action and seek further help. Some of the grades have been exploring the 'Kids Helpline' website which has some good practical advice for kids and parents about the day-to-day things that our kids come across.

We can have a school where everyone feels connected to someone and feels like they belong, and we can ALL play a part in that.

Donna Giliam Primary Welfare PH:0493131403

School Council President's Report

As Term 3 comes to a close and the days begin to warm, there's a lot to celebrate at our school. We've got a bumper crop of athletes heading to compete at the District finals this week. There's the exciting prospect of the school production for the end of the year. And we're already starting to get a sense of new beginnings as transition days continue. The school council has been working on a few things too - from our usual fare of reviewing finances and policies to contacting our local MP over road conditions and overseeing some improvements around the grounds, including the old sandpit area. On behalf of the council, I would like to wish everyone a fun-filled and peaceful September holidays. - Howard Prosser

Bus Travel

As sporting commitments stop and new ones start, we need *written notification* from parents/carers of any changes to your child's bus travel. Please write us a note or send an email to the school letting us know of any changes.

Email:fish.creek.ps@education.vic.gov.au

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.





RESPECT FAIRNESS

COMMITMENT



Bank Account Details

We have now changed 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

Head Lice

There have been recent cases of head lice in the school, so it would be great if you could check your child/ren's hair tonight and treat appropriately if head lice are found.



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. Our lost property bucket is



literally over-flowing, please come and look through for any missing items.

K Run Results Week 10 Update

We have been lucky with some beautiful sunny weather for our 'K' run the past two weeks. It has been fantastic to see so many smiling and determined faces make their way down the rail trail and there have been some impressive PBs achieved. Special mention to AJ who has achieved a PB every week! Thanks to everyone who has come down and had a go, looking forward to some more great running in Term 4! – Miss Ellingworth & Ms Giliam.

Overall Points

1st Place: AJ – 65 points
2nd Place Albert & Petra – 55 points
3rd Place Marlow - 53 points



Code Club To secure a spot email Mr Mollison at: nicholas.mollison@education.vic.gov.au

Students came to school wearing a wonderful variety of Pyjamas last Friday. We raised over \$150 for "A Better Life For



Kids", an organisation that puts together cases of necessities to help foster children in need. Thanks to everyone who got involved.

The information about "A Better Life For Kids" is available at this address <u>https://</u>abetterlifeforfosterkids.org.au/gippslands-biggest-

p-j-day/

Hats in Term 4

As a Sun Smart school I would just like to remind everyone that wide brimmed school hats are compulsory to wear during term 1 and term 4 of the school year. Over the holidays can you please look for your child's school hat and additionally, make sure that their hat has their name clearly written in it.



Transition Day

On Tuesday we had our first kinder transition day for the year. It was great to see all of our 2024 preps ready to go and to have their first taste of school. The students spent time playing different games in Miss Shelley's room before they went on a tour and exploration around the school.

PnF Sock Fundraiser

Socks are still available. Please come to the office to purchase.

