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Principal's Message

Welcome back to the start of what will be a busy term 4. I did expect to start the term with lots of sunshine and outdoor play but unfortunately it has pretty much been non-stop rain this week. We have lots of great events coming up this term highlighted by the return of our school production, Shrek. Students will be working hard on their performing, singing and



dancing skills with Mrs Murray and Mr Farrell. Many of the grade 5/6 students have already been reading and practising their lines. We have many other great events and programs happening this term including our 3-6 swimming program, a grade 2 sleepover and the school disco just to name a few. The

final thing I need to touch on is the unfortunate event that happened last Saturday with Collingwood winning the premiership. I am a mad Essendon supporter and while I don't expect Essendon to win the flag every year, my hope is that Collingwood doesn't win it. Unfortunately, it wasn't to be this year and I have had Irene and Mrs Smith constantly reminding me of Collingwood's triumph. This even went as far as a Collingwood themed morning tea on Monday where all the food was Black and White. I can only hope that they don't go back to back next year.

Welcome back

A big welcome back to Mrs Smith, Mrs Hamlett and Mrs King who have returned from their well deserved long service leave. We have all been enjoying hearing about their adventures around Australia and overseas. Thank you to Mr Mollison, Mrs Banikos and Mrs Murray for covering the grades while they have been away.

Tutoring Program

Our tutoring program for term 4 will focus on writing. Selected students from grade 2-6 will work in small focused groups with Mr Mollison 3 times a week for the first 6 weeks of term. Students selected for tutoring will have received a Signmee detailing the program. If you have any questions about the tutoring program, please feel free to contact the office.

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. If you need a new hat please contact us at the office and we will be happy to arrange it.

Regional Athletics

On Tuesday of next week, we have Addie and Marlow competing in the All Gippsland Athletic Championship in Newborough. Addie will be competing in the discus and Marlow will be competing in the 100m sprint. We wish both girls the best of luck and I know they will both represent the school proudly.

Cheers, Dale



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IMPORTANT DATES

October:

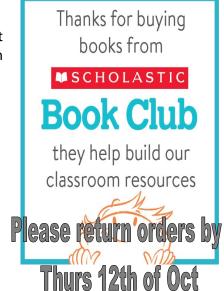
10th - Regional Athletics 10th - School Council 7pm 27th - PnF School Disco

November: 13-17th - Swimming

PRIMARY WELFARE

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Primary Welfare

When my children are at the cusp of their teen years and completing grade 6, I take them on a journey to where they were born. Lola and I camped through Tassie for her trip and right now I am on Annie-Jean's trip through Central Australia – I will have to get creative for Daisy as she was born in Foster.

Annie and I headed off on our trip filled with excitement and some nerves. The media has been unkind to Alice Springs and the surrounding communities and I was so scared of arriving here and seeing the town I love so much, broken.

The words of 'Goanna' in the song Solid Rock have been in my head on repeat for the whole trip 'Out here nothin' changes, not in a hurry anyway.' Ancient languages sing through the wind; above politics and above the scraps the media print. The

languages weave through rocks with stories and ghost gums cling to rock faces.

Women paint their stories with pride,



seated in the beautiful red sand, with children and dogs running around and the song of language rises and falls with the wind.

This town is not broken, a contradiction of change and old are on the breeze and the future is hopeful.



We're standing on sacred ground – what a privilege.

Donna Giliam
Primary Welfare PH:0493131403



Our operating hours are;

B 4 S C – 7.00 am to 8.45 am weekdays

ASC - 3.00 pm to 6.00 pm weekdays

Phone number: 0457 555 261

School Garden Busy Bee

We would love to invite all of our green fingered or aspiring green fingered parents and carers to join us on Thursday the 2nd of November for our rescheduled School Garden Busy Bee. (Fingers crossed for good weather) The Busy Bee will run over the entire school day so feel free to drop in and help out when it suits you. It will also be a great chance to have a cuppa and meet other members of our school community.



Book Club Orders

The most recent issue of Scholastic Book Club catalogue is going out with this newsletter. Please return order forms by next Thursday 12th October.

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

Bus Travellers

With the new term commencing, 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.

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.

The Corner Inlet Swimming Club

The Corner Inlet Swimming Club has recommenced training sessions Monday and Fridays at the Toora Swimming Pool. Call Bree on 0407 354 618 or Jess 0413 954 333 for information.