Fishy News

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Principal's Message

Attitudes to School – Survey Results

Last week I received the results of our 2023 "Attitude to School" survey data. This is a survey that is completed by all grade 4-6 students across the state and gives an indication of what students are thinking about their school. I was extremely proud of the results and it showed that kids love learning at Fish Creek & District Primary School. Across the 19 different sections of the survey we were well above state level in every single category. Some very pleasing results were in the following categories: High Expectation for Success was at 100% positive responses (state average 93%), Managing Bullying 93% (state average 75%), Sense of Inclusion 98% (state average 88%) and Effective Classroom Behaviour 93% (state average 77%).

Visit to Cowes Primary School

Yesterday Mrs King and I went on a visit to Cowes Primary School to look at their Disability Inclusion Model. Elle and I now have a greater understanding of the program, and importantly have set up partnerships with another school from around the region. We are very fortunate to have so many schools in South Gippsland and the Bass Coast with lots of expertise and it is important that we all work together to get the best results for all of the students in our region.

PnF Disco Friday 27th Oct

Our school disco is back on again this year. The disco will be happening on Friday the 27th of October between 1:50-3:20pm (during school hours). There will be a Halloween themed dress-up for the disco.

Students are asked to bring a gold coin donation and some extra spending money if they wish to purchase food and drinks at the event.





Parents are being asked to donate cakes, biscuits or slices to be sold during the disco. It would be greatly appreciated if you could get on board by making a cake, slice or biscuits to be sold and help raise funds.

A big 'Thank you,' to the Foster police who have donated equipment for the event.

Grade 6 Graduation

Plans are underway for the Grade 6 Graduation and Day Out happening at the end of this year. Those parents of Grade 6s please put aside the 11th and 15th of December.

Cheers, Dale



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IMPORTANT DATES

October:

27th - PnF School Disco

November:

2nd- Grade 2 Sleep-Over 2nd - Garden Busy Bee 13-17th - Swimming 24th - Jump for Rope 24th - Colour Run

December:

11th - Grade 6 Graduation 15th - Grade 6 Day Out

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Student of the Week



Primary Welfare

Back in July, when my youngest daughter turned 10, she made a request that her 10th birthday gifts be experiences rather than things. My gift to her was that we would run a kilometre for every year she has been alive at the Melbourne Marathon.

This was the best gift because her birthday was in July, but this was something we spent months getting excited about and training for. Running is such an individual activity — a human, a pair of runners and the outdoors. Yet, these big events can make one feel part of something really big. It is the sound of hundreds of feet thundering over a bridge, the kind words we all share with each other as we trot past each other and all the shapes, sizes and abilities, each with their own story to why they are running the city on a chilly Sunday morning.

On Sunday, her day finally came, and I was so excited to share with her the feeling of running with thousands of people. Finally Daisy and I added our foot stamps to the path, we started by holding hands at the busy start line, it did not take long to let go of each other's hands we worked together for most of the run always keeping each other in sight but as we got closer to the end, she wanted to go faster and I could not keep up, so I had to guide her on where to wait for me at the end and let her sprint out the last kilometre because that is my job – to hold her hand when she needs me and let her fly when she is ready.

I only had a little tear in my eye as she sprinted off towards the end, without looking back and another little

tear of relief when I saw her sunny little face waiting for her old mum at the finish line. Donna Primary Welfare 03 9080 1881

Yidak Demonstration

On Wednesday Djaran brought his own Yidak (didgeridoo) that he made over the school holidays. He was shown by fellow wurundjeri man

Murrundindi Hunter. We were lucky enough to have Djaran even perform for us at lunch time and explained the complexity of how to use the side of your mouth and breathing through your nose in order to create the correct vibrations. If you have any questions about the Yidak and how to play it, please ask our school expert Djaran!



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Jump Rope For Heart

The JSC is excited to announce that **Fish Creek and District Primary School** is participating in Jump Rope for Heart this year — a fantastic fundraising and physical activity program by the Heart Foundation. By participating in Jump Rope for Heart this term, we're expecting to get our students moving. We'll have ropes available on the school grounds and be encouraging everyone to help raise funds for lifesaving research and support programs.

Over the coming weeks your child will learn new skills, increase their physical activity, and learn about heart health. The program will end with our school wide 'Jump Off Day' held on the same day as our Colour Run, the 24th of November. At the jump off your child gets to show off their new skipping skills to their friends.

When you register your child online you'll get access to additional skipping resources to help give your child a great reason to get away from the screens and get outdoors. Register and create your own secure webpage at jumprope.org.au/parents

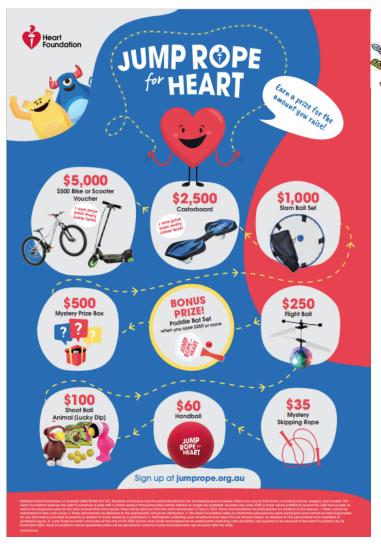
By signing up online, you and your child can:

- Easily raise funds online
- Track skipping skills progress and earn virtual badges along the way
- Post updates to your page so family and friends can follow their progress
- Access additional skipping resources

Visit **jumprope.org.au/parents** for all the information that you need.

Thank you for getting involved in Jump Rope for Heart! Yours sincerely,

Donna Giliam and the JSC.





School Garden Busy Bee -2nd Nov

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.

Request from Meika

In Weeks 8-9 the Grade 5s are going to be running mini businesses.

I need to collect Who Gives a Crap brand colourful toilet roll wrapping and toilet rolls. If you buy these, could you please save for me?

You can drop them

off to my classroom (Ms Ellis' room).

Thanks, Mieka



"K" RUN CLUB - event no.9

Tuesday 17th October 2023

14 students and 2 staff took on the 1km challenge on Tuesday and it was great to have dry & calm conditions. First home was Daisy who ran only 2 secs outside her PB and after running 10k two days prior at the Melbourne Marathon (with Mum!!!). Lots of the younger ones ran PB's – Phoenix 5.16, Georgie 5.16, Holly 5.16 & Xavier 6.10. Staff member Jackie also ran a 5.47 PB & Miss Ellingworth continues to pace the leader to help them run a PB. AJ continues as point's leader on 75 followed by Daisy 70, Petra 65, Marlow 63 & Billee 58.

Next week **all classes** will run the 1km but with a difference. It will be handicapped on time based on the students' PB. The fastest runner will give everyone a head start. The slowest starts off first. It gives everyone a chance of being 1st across the line & makes for a packed finish.

If you would like a 3/5/10k run/walk on the weekend the Prom Coast Pack Run event will be at Toora, Sunday 8.30am. Cheers Craig Couper. P.s. Well done to Marlow (100m) & Addie (discus) who competed at Regions this week, a super effort!



Sport Report

Yesterday Addie Manne and Marlow Hamlet represented our school at regional atheletics. Both of them did an incredible job and we are all so proud of their efforts. They had a lot of fun along the way and very much enjoyed going to KFC on the way back. Good job Addie and Marlow for making it this far! Amazing work!



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.



Yanakie Community Hall - Millar Rd Yanakie - Doors open 7pm

Tickets: Adults \$35 - 16 & Under \$10 https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1061835 BYO drinks & snacks

Booking enquiries - yanakieprogress@gmail.com

