

Fishy News

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Principal's Message Mothers/Special Persons Day

Thank you to all of our mothers and special persons who attended our morning tea last Friday prepared by our prep, grade 1 and grade 2 students. It was great to see so many families together enjoying this occasion. A special thank you to Mrs Shelley and Mrs Murray for going above and beyond helping students to create gifts, perform song and dance routines and cook yummy treats in order to spoil their mums and special persons. (See photos on last page)

Student Teachers

A big thank you to Ben Miller who has been at our school for the last 4 weeks in Mrs Murray's grade. Ben has been completing his final teaching rounds with us in his last year of university. It has been great having Ben at the school. He quickly built strong relationships with students in the 1/2 grade and I wish him all the best with his future endeavours in education.

You Be The Coach

For the next 3 Monday afternoons, we will have students from Foster Secondary College running sports programs in our school as part of the 'you be the coach' program. This program gives Foster secondary students the opportunity to work with our grade 5/6 students to improve their confidence and public speaking skills. Thanks to Shem at the secondary college for organising this program.

Work Experience

It has been great to welcome back two former students to our school for work experience. Lily and Mia have been a great help all week assisting in the classrooms and helping with the cross country. I know if they ever decide to become teachers in the future, they will do a fantastic job.



School review

Just a reminder that as part of our upcoming school review we have asked for families and students to share their highlights of the school over the last 4 years (via Compass). A big thank you to those families that have already completed it. But it would be great to get the feedback from a few more families, if you have the chance.

Winter sports

Tomorrow our grade 5/6 students will be travelling to Meeniyana for our second training session of our winter sports program. From this, teams will be selected to compete against Prom Coast (Foster, Toora and Welshpool) in basketball, football, netball and soccer on the 31st of May.

Cheers,
Dale



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Victorian 2024 school terms

Term 2: Mon 15 April-Fri 28 Jun
Term 3: Mon 15 July-Fri 20 Sept
Term 4: Mon 7 Oct- Fri 20 Dec

IMPORTANT DATES

MAY

17th - Winter Sports - Meeniyana
 22nd - Little Long Walk Day
 23rd - Cross country
 26th - Tea Cosy Festival
 28th - 5th June Somers Camp
 31st - Winter Sports Basketball

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Student of the Week



Welfare Report

When I was at uni in the 90s I lived in a share house. My favourite room in the house was the lounge room and my favourite wall was the wall of posters. When I close my eyes I can remember the wall, the posters souvenirs from gigs at the Corner, the Espy and even back then – the Fishy Pub. But the one that stands out most in my mind was a poster of Michael Long – strong and proud kitted out in his Bombers gear, holding the ball like it was an extension to his body.

Back then, in the late 90s, Michael was playing great footy and even for someone who did not love the Bombers – I happily had him hanging on the wall around the musicians who filled my soul like Spiderbait, Regurgitator, Pre-shrunk and Diana Ah Naid.

It was not until around 2014 that I started thinking about Michael Long again. Andrew and I took the kids to their first footy game Essendon vs Richmond – Dreamtime at the G. Our family parked up at the MCG and made our way back to Fed Square to be part of the 'Long Walk' a shorter version of the walk Michael completed in 2004 when he decided that something needed to be done about the plight of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, so he walked from his home in Melbourne all the way to Parliament House in Canberra. Collecting allies and support along the way.

That day in 2014, my family walked from Fed square to the MCG. My cheeks would move from aching smiles, to wet with tears when listening to the stories from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from all across the continent. We walked and talked, to each other and to others, connecting along the banks of the Yarra.

This year, for Reconciliation Week Fish Creek Primary will be walking, talking and connecting with each other and the lands on which we live. This will start with a Little Long Walk – right here at our school in Fish Creek. On the 22nd of May our students will kit up in their footy colours and spend lunchtime cutting laps of our school in honour of Michael's long walk to Canberra in 2004. Students will also be able to purchase a hot loaded spud for \$3 to raise money for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

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Hi, the JSC are looking for parent helpers from 10-12:30 on the 22nd of May to help cook potatoes for the Little Long Walk.

Please let Donna know if you can help. (0493 131 403)

From Pippa & Indy (Junior School Council).



Cross Country Results

Grades 3-6 ran 2km P-2 ran 1km , our 2 helpers on the day were Mia & Lily (yr 10 Foster SC) who were at the turnaround and walked over 10km for the day. A massive thank-you to our past students.

9 girls, 1st Evie A 10.21 , 2nd Pippa M 11.05 (did not qual), 3rd Skye M (d.n.qual) 4th Georgie M 12.31(d.n.qual)

9 boys 1st Jarrah C 9.56, 2nd Evan H 10.05, 3rd Nathaniel M 10.16, 4th Charlie B 11.51

10 girls 1st Summer M 10.08, 2nd Petra S 10.09 3rd Holly D 10.29 4th Blue M 10.49

10 boys 1st Clancy O 11.57. 2nd Django 12.42 (d.n.qual) 3rd Arthur K 13.27(did not qual)

11 girls 1st Daisy GR 8.58 2nd Marlow H 9.48 3rd Margot G 10.09 4th Marlee P 10.34

11 boys 1st kai M 8.45 2nd Darcy L 9.29 3rd Spencer H 9.38 4th Albert S 9.45

12/13 girls 1st AJ 9.09 2nd Mya G 9.48 3rd Chloe LJ 9.49 4th Addie M 10.22

12/13 boys 1st Ned F 8.29 2nd Hamish B 8.34 3rd Lorenzo V 10.05 4th Andy J 10.44 (d.n.qual)

All qualified for Division unless (d.n.q) Total 25 students

Prep girls 1st Matilda V 5.59 2nd Ayla M 8.08 3rd Sailor K 8.42 4th Ally-Ann L 9.40 5th Frankie G 12.08

Prep boys 1st Kolani H 4.47 2nd Ernie M 5.08 Gaston G 7.30 4th Elliot H 8.50

Grade 1 girls 1st Elena H 5.21 2nd Sophie D 5.22 3rd Evie M 5.45 4th Elowen C 6.38

Grade 1 boys 1st Carlo L 5.54 2nd David M 6.38 3rd Dash C 7.41

From PnF

On 26 th may we will be serving Devonshire tea in the fish creek hall for the tea cost festival It will be a good fundraising for the school and your help with one of the fill would be appreciated

*** Volunteers on the day - 2 hour shifts**

Or

*** A batch of scones**

Or

***Donation of one of the following** 2 x 200 g jars ma-
cona coffee

1 x box Nerena loose leaf tea

1 x 100 tea bags black tea

1x 50 English breakfast tea bags

2x Woolworths hot chocolate

5 x 600 ml thickened cream (full fat)

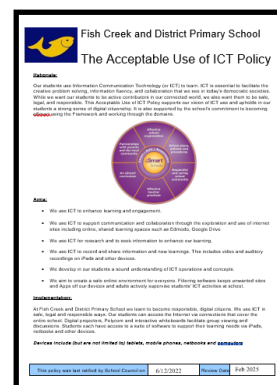
5x jars jam (homemade most welcome)

If you can volunteer please let the office know or call

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Acceptable Use of ICT



Acceptable Use of ICT forms went home yesterday with those students who have not yet got a current agreement with us. Please sign/return the form as soon as you can.

This may prove a good opportunity to have a discussion with your child/ren about acceptable use of ITC and families may consider implementing an acceptable use of ITC agreement at home. If you would like some guidance in introducing an agreement, Nick Mollison would be happy to discuss further. Nick can be contacted by ringing the school on 03 5683 2271 or email Nicholas.mollison@education.vic.gov.au

Animals of Oz at Fish Creek PS

This week Ranger Karrah introduced us to some of the native animals in her care. She told us lots of cool stuff about how and where they live.

The animals we met were all threatened species, which means there are very few of them left in the world. Their main threats are habitat clearing and feral predators like foxes and cats.

We met Comet the squirrel glider, Toby the grey headed flying fox, Bentley the brush tailed bettong, Prince the growling grass frog and Narrawa the Oenpelli python.

Fun facts:

- *big trees with nesting hollows are over 100 years old!
- *Brush tailed bettongs hop like kangaroos and can carry nest materials with their tails!
- *brush tailed bettongs live in teepees made of sticks and leaves on the forest floor
- *growling grass frogs eat other frogs!
- *the Oenpelli python eats birds and is the rarest snake in the world!

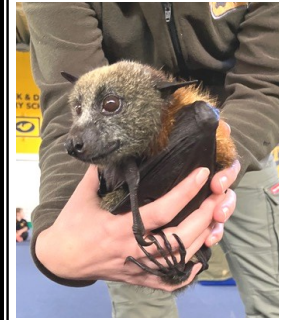
To help these animals survive, we can leave big old trees standing, build nest boxes to replace lost tree hollows, plant trees and keep our cats inside at night.



Brush tailed bettong



Squirrel glider



Grey headed flying fox



Oenpelli python

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