

Fishy News

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Principal's Message Parent Teacher Interviews

Today we held our parent teacher interviews. This is a great opportunity for parents and teachers to connect to discuss your child's future learning needs and goals. Hopefully everyone was able to secure an interview time, if, for any reason you couldn't, please contact the school and we will organise an alternative day for your interview.

School Badges

On Monday we presented our school leaders with their badges. It was great to see so many families at the ceremony supporting our students. I know all our student leaders will represent the school proudly; they all follow our school values of respect, fairness and commitment in everything they do. Well done to all those students who nominated for positions, you don't need a school badge to be a leader, true leadership is shown by the actions we display everyday.



NAPLAN

Next week students in grade 3 and 5 will commence their NAPLAN testing. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skill in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation) and Numeracy. We will be completing our writing test on Wednesday the 12th, this will be followed by Reading (Thursday the 13th), Language conventions (Monday the 17th) and Maths (Tuesday the 18th) The result of the tests provide information for students, parents, teachers and principals, which can be used to improve student success. I feel it is very important to remember that NAPLAN is just one form of testing taken on one particular day and should be viewed as a guideline and not as a definitive measure as to where each individual child sits. Later in the year, you will receive your child's individual NAPLAN report. Parents of children completing NAPLAN this year should have received a compass notification going into full detail of the testing procedure. If you did not receive this please contact the office.

For further information about the tests please visit the VCAA website at www.vcaa.vic.gov.au

Cheers,
Dale



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IMPORTANT DATES

March:

10th - Labour Day Public Holiday. *Student Free Day*
12th - NAPLAN starts 3 & 5
21st - Cluster Athletics
26th - PnF meeting

April:

2nd - District Athletics
4th - Last day of term

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Please keep lunch
boxes healthy.



Events needing to be actioned on COMPASS:

Grade 3-6 Athletics

School Savings Bonus

Grades 3 & 5 NAPLAN info

*Please remember to check
here and COMPASS regularly*

Student of the Week



Welfare Report

Last week, I was at the basketball courts watching my teenage daughter play. It is a pretty relaxed comp and people just put their hand up to score on arrival. I love scoring – which is surprising because I am not very good at it. I get so wrapped up in the game I need to be reminded to put on a foul or add on a goal and I never know what to do with that big arrow thing.

Going to the basketball means I get to see my mates too as our kids are on a team together – I love seeing them, they are very funny and with a three-game round robin, I get to really catch up with them and also get to have a good laugh.

So, each week I have a conflicting battle in my head, do I score, or do I catch up with my mates? Last week, I sat at the scoring table with all those wonderful buttons and arrows, from that table I could see and hear my friends laughing and chatting in the distance I looked longingly at them and for a moment I wished I was there.

Until, I looked at the human right in front of me and struck up a conversation. I did not know the person I was scoring with but very quickly we were having a great chat (in between her reminding me to put on the fouls and goals and move the arrow) and I could feel the beginnings of a new friendship.

How nice is that? That even at my ripe old age of 46 with a heap of really great mates already, there are still humans out there who I will end up being friends with and I have not even met them yet.

If I can do this, that means our kids can too, no friendship circle is complete, there is always room for more!

Donna Giliam

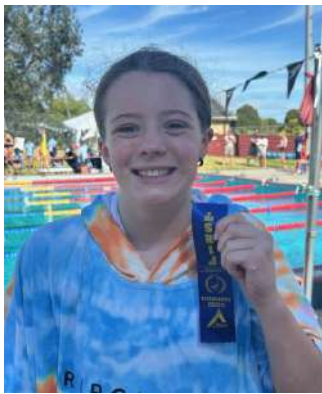
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The Junior School Council received their badges at assembly on Monday. We are looking forward to all the fun activities these very enthusiastic and well organized students are planning.





District Swimming Competition

Well done to these 7 fabulous swimmers who competed in the division swimming finals in Korumburra last Friday. They displayed many great qualities apart from their swimming prowess; competing hard and being great support for each other. We had Marlow go through to the "All Gippsland" finals which will be held in Sale. Well done to all the swimmers involved; you all represented your school and district proudly.



Student Free Day

Just a quick reminder that Monday the 10th of March will be a **student free day** due to the Labour day public holiday. I hope everyone enjoys their long weekend and we look forward to seeing all the students on Tuesday.

Clean Up Australia Day

This week our students participated in "Clean Up Australia Day" during Environmental Science. They learned about re-cycling, up-cycling and where all our rubbish goes.

Everyone did a great job and we managed to pick up over 300 pieces of litter across the school and village. Well done everyone!!!!



School Photos

Blue Wolf will be contacting parents directly via email (if consent was given through COMPASS). You will be able to look at all the photos taken of your child/children and order those you would like to purchase online.

Lost Property

This school jumper with no name but a love heart locket and cute little critter hiding in the pocket was left in the school grounds as was this "GWANDA CO" hoodie.

Please come to the office if either of these belong to you.

Head Lice!!!
Please keep vigilant.



Registrations close tomorrow!!



Reminder: Free Dental

Please register online at <https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic> or use this QR code if you would like your child to benefit from free dental.

