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NEWSLETTER

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School Values:

- Respect
- Honesty
- Teamwork
- Learning
- Persistence

Dates to Remember:

10 th - 12 th	Year 3/4 Camp Kookaburra
12 th May	Parents & Friends Meeting
15 th May	Education Week-Open Day - Biggest Morning Tea
16 th May	Zone Cross Country
19 th May	Parent Game/Challenge
24 th May	National Simultaneous Read
26 th May	Pupil Free Day

An exciting week filled with camps, excursions, and Mother's Day activities. What a wonderful success our colour run and Cross Country practice was. So much colour laughs and effort. Sophia ran the 3km in a cracking time of 15.20min closely followed by Evan and Eve. Our Middle school ran 2km and Junior school 1km. Thank you to all the parents and grandparents that helped colour the students, buy ice-poles and cheered them on.

A Caring, Country, Community School



SRC

Congratulations to our newly formed student representative council, who will meet regularly with Mrs Hogg to discuss school improvements and ideas. There is one representative from each class and two from Grade 5 and 6.

Lilly Monk, Nate West, Keira McNeil, Riley Danson, Pippy Morton, Jasmine Maclean, Evan McNeil, Clancy Pappin and Oliver More



Year 3/4 Camp

Gr 3/4 students and Miss Bath are nervous and excited about their camp to Kookaburra today. It will be a fun filled few days and I'm sure we will hear lots of amazing stories on their return on Friday. We thank Travis from Gunbower for coordinating the camp which is free of charge to families. Miss Taylor will take the Grade P-2 Wed- Fri.

GRIP Leadership Conference

The Grade 6 team will have a fantastic day in Bendigo learning heaps at the GRIP Leadership conference today. Anita will meet you for an early start at 6.15 at Koondrook. Ms Hogg will take the Grade 5 for the day.

Grade 6 Canberra Excursion

A note came home this week about the 2nd payment for the Canberra excursion required before the end of term two. We've done a great job fundraising so far towards the camp program for the cluster.

Grounds

Thank you team Heffer for your efforts on the weekend making the grounds look amazing. With weekly maintenance by our families the job of keeping things tidy and the outside of our school feeling and looking great will become easier.

Sadly, we also had visitors to the school over the weekend who entered the small sports shed and vandalised it. Please keep an eye open, especially on weekends. We are in talks about replacing the shed and need help transferring and tidying existing sporting equipment.

A big thankyou to the Blaze Aide team that started pulling down our east fence this week. The new fence and post and rail entry will be put up soon.

Tutoring

This week three groups of students commenced with small group tuition for literacy and maths skills. The Virtual school is supporting and working with us to help fill the understanding gaps with students. We will continue to communicate with parents and carers as we work together to raise education standards.

Attendance

Daily school attendance is important for all children and young people to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally. Children and young people who regularly attend school and complete Year 12 or an equivalent qualification have better health outcomes, better employment outcomes, and higher incomes across their lives. It is important that children develop habits of regular attendance at an early age. School participation is important as it maximises life opportunities for children and young people by providing them with education and support networks. School helps people to develop important skills, knowledge and values which set them up for further learning and participation in their community.

We will continue to work together with parents/ carers to enable regularly attendance at school

Education Week

This week we welcome our parents, future families, and wider community to celebrate Education Week with us at our open day on Monday 15th May 9-11 followed by the Biggest Morning Tea fund raiser for cancer. Then again on Friday for a parent versus kids match at 2pm.

As a calm and inclusive country school we offer so much, so rather than adding additional activities we thought we'd share what we offer already. Our school is so lucky to have excellent, enthusiastic teachers that offer a daily range of learning including literacy, numeracy and inquiry but also many specialists providing outstanding programs including MARC Library, MAAC Art, LOTE – Italian, Music, Sport and Fitness, STEAM - Science and individualised tutoring. The students really are continuing to achieve in all areas and enjoying being in this wonderful inclusive and kind school environment.

This year's theme is active learners which we certainly participate in at Murrabit. Next Thursday we continue with the fitness and yoga program with Belinda Bachelor.

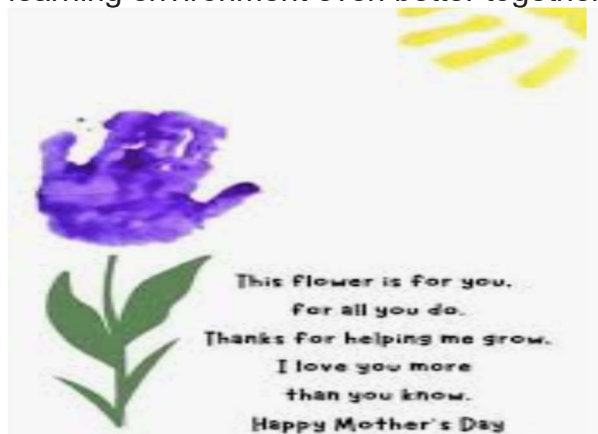
Grade 2/3/4 had a new promethean board delivered this week to compliment all the learning happening in the middle school.

Annual Report to Community

The 2022 report is now available on our website for anyone to read and ask questions about.

Student Surveys

We will commence student opinion surveys at school soon. More information will be sent home. The data gathered gives us further feedback about how to make the learning environment even better together.





Gaby Hogg

Parents & Friends News

What a fun afternoon last Friday with the completion of the colour run 🎨 Hopefully all the kids enjoyed the fun last Friday and the parents managed to get those clothes clean 😊 🎨 There was certainly lots of colour and smiles from all involved. Parents and Friends were very happy to be able to support this event by supplying the colour and accessories and a special cold treat for the kids after completing such amazing running efforts.

Monday 15th May the school will host an open day and Morning Tea to support the cancer councils Biggest Morning Tea. If families are able to help supply a plate to share for the morning tea that would be amazing. Thank you to those that have already offered to help and if anyone else has any spare time to help set up / pack up that would be greatly appreciated.

We have our next meeting planned for this **Friday 12th May** 10.30am at The Long Paddock Koondrook - a chance to catch up and get plans underway. Everyone welcome 😊 *Michelle* 😊



Market Morning Teas

Those families on duty for Market Morning Teas on 3rd June – **Danson, Heffer, McNeil and More**



Curators

May – 1st Half – **Lokeni**

- 2nd Half - **Heffer**

June – 1st Half – **Hein B&N**

2nd Half - **Danson**



P/1 News:

This week Miss Bath is on camp with the 3/4's so the P/1 students have Miss Taylor for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. They will have a great time with her continuing our learning journey. We would also like to give a massive thanks to Michelle Minogue for taking Music whilst Mrs Jones has been away on her Italian adventure – we are very thankful for you sharing your musical talents with the classes.

Footy Tipping:

This week Mrs Hogg got a round 8 perfect score of 9/9. That's the first one for the year. Well Done!

Our current overall leaders are Beau, Mason and Miss Bath – they are all on 46/70.

We have already done our tipping for this week (round 9) as Miss Bath and the 3/4 class are away.



Students of the Week:



Skyra Lokeni - for her consistent effort to always improve her writing. Also, for being supportive to others when they need a friend.



Emily Murray – for working extremely hard throughout her addition pre-test



Cooper West – for being a positive and responsible partner when providing reading feedback

