Dear Students & Families,

I was fortunate enough to attend the Paraesteddfod last Monday, it was a fantastic day where I witnessed many talented students’ perform and represent our school, a big well done to you all it was an excellent day. In a few weeks’ time some of these students will be heading with Colin to perform for residents at Fairview Aged Care Facility and we wish them all the best with their performances.

Today we were lucky enough to have held two ‘Victoria’s Journey of Remembrance’ shows at our school. This is a Victorian Government centenary initiative for secondary schools to encourage and support Victorians across the state to learn more about their World War One history, to research their own personal connections, and to work within their local communities to ensure that we share Victoria’s stories. These performances were held for our Senior and Middle Years students who found the sessions to be informative, fun and entertaining! Thank you to the performers who came and gave us a great day!

Next week is ‘The Great Book Swap’, Glenda has been busy organising the event which starts on Monday August 24th. Our students are encouraged to donate a book from home (with parental permission), fact or fiction all books are welcome. These books will be put on display, then during the week of The Great Book Swap, anyone in the school community is encouraged to come to the school and buy a pre loved book for a gold coin donation. I am sure it will be a great week!

Classes have been busily working on their concert items, I have been lucky enough to see some students practising away, preparing for what I am sure will be another great night. Out theme is ‘Around the World’ and it has been great to see students in Music and Art classes learning about music and art from around the world to tie in with concert theme.

A reminder that tickets for our school concert are on sale now at the West Gippsland Arts Centre this year and not through our school office. Limit of 3 per family, however additional tickets (if available) may be purchased from the 9th September.

Alesha
On Friday the 7th of August, rooms 14,16 and 17 went by train to the aquarium. The aquarium is like a maze and we all enjoyed exploring. It was Andrews last day, so we all tried to give him a hard time. It was also James’s Birthday, so we enjoyed some chocolates on the way home. We did lots of walking and talking and we took a late train back to Warragul. Everyone was well behaved even the staff! A great day was had by all!
Sign of the Week

Max
Room

Jaime
Room 9

Ozi
Room 16

Raffle Winners
Maths Award

Catherine
Room 9

James I
Room 8

Bus Phone Numbers

Drouin 0400 922 051
Labertouche 0457 801 462
Nar Nar Goon 0428 235 371
Neerim South 0428 235 370
Trafalgar 0409 525 420
Poowong North 0429 499 557
Yannathan 0428 235 372

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Students of the Week
Parent and Friends Association next monthly meeting is Thursday 27th August, held at school at 9.30am.
PFA are busy selling raffle tickets for the school concert. We have booked the Baw Baw Shire Kiosk for the following dates:
TODAY, Friday 4th September and Thursday 10th September.
If you are available to help please call Karlee on 0409 268 889.

THE GREAT BOOK SWAP.
Monday 24th to Friday 28th August

Endorsed by the Indigenous Literacy Foundation, our students are encouraged to donate a book from home (with parental permission), fact or fiction all books are welcome. These books will be put on display, then during the week of The Great Book Swap, anyone in the school community is encouraged to come to the school and buy a pre loved book for a gold coin donation. All money raised will be donated to Indigenous Schools in the outback.

Remember to return your completed Dental Consent form by Monday 31st August.

Circle of Security Parenting Program

At times all parents feel lost or without a clue about what our child might need from us. Imagine what it might feel like if you were able to make sense of what your child was really asking from you. The Circle of Security® Parenting program is based on decades of research about how secure parent-child relationships can be supported and strengthened.

Why You Should Attend

Fifty years of university-based research confirms that secure children:

- Possess greater self-esteem
- Build better relationships with parents and peers
- Are more ready for school
- Have greater self-control and increased empathy
- Exhibit better understanding of how the world works, and appreciate their own value in the world.
- Confidently explore the world, knowing and trusting that their needs will be met when they are upset or distressed.
- Are better able to regulate and manage their emotions,

Learning Objectives of the Training:

- Understand your child’s emotional world by learning to read his/her emotional needs
- Support your child’s ability to successfully manage emotions
- Enhance the development of your child’s self esteem
- Honour your innate wisdom and desire for your child to be secure

Circle of Security Parenting Program is available to parents and caregivers free of charge.

Our next COS group will begin on Monday August 24th at 9.30am. For more details please contact Tracey Love on 03 56 242486 or 0400650025 or Lindy Parsons 03 56242540.

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