MEENIYAN JUNIOR BASKETBALL

Meeniyan Junior Basketball would like to invite any new players 7 - 17 years to come join our competition. Section 2 & 3, from 3.45pm Friday nights, Section 4 - Wednesday nights. Season starts Friday 8th August. Could all new players or any players not playing or unavailable 1st game please contact Kim 0427346048/56636252 or Darlene 0417640035/56640035. Teams & times for Section 2, 3 & 4 will be published in the Star newspaper on Tuesday 5th August.

Reminder: Fees are to be paid up front. Section 1 - $35, Section 2 & 3 - $40, Section 4 - $50. Plus registration fee if due.

RSPCA Fundraiser

A huge thank you to Eryn, Emma, Amelia, Hannah & Jazlyne for organising the pet photo competition. Thank you also, to everyone who entered the competition. We raised $183 for animals in need. Those animals' buckets will be overflowing!

Cutest Pet

Smallest Pet

Most Unusual Pet

Student's Choice

Community Noticeboard

House for rent in Fish Creek

3 bedroom house available in Fish Creek township. Available from 4th August References preferred. $210 per week. Please contact Tracey 0419 899 337

Foster Aussie Hoops will re-commence on Wednesday August 20th for 8 weeks from 4-4.45pm (excluding school holidays) at the Foster Basketball Stadium, Foster Showgrounds. Register online at the Aussie Hoops website. $40 for returning participants (no starter pack) $65 for new participants (with starter pack) The starter pack includes a backpack, basketball and singlet. Go to the Aussie Hoops website and search for Foster, http://www.aussiehoops.com.au/Find-a-program/

The court will be open from 3.30pm on August 20th to assist with registration or other enquiries. For further information call Lisa Lemchens on 0428 821 518.

Fish Creek and District Primary School

Telephone: (03) 5683 2271 Urgent Calls: 0427 832271
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Website: http://www.fishyps.vic.edu.au/ Facebook: Fish-Creek-and-District-Primary-School/498044540284215

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Leadership

This term there has been some discussion amongst the students about leadership in our school. Director of the Halogen Foundation, Mike Martin in his presentation earlier this year at the Young Leaders Conference says, “A leader is not defined by a badge or a title but by how they behave and relate to others.” Grip Leadership who run the South Gippsland Leadership Day have a model using their four fingers and the thumb to highlight Growth, Relationship, Integrity, People and Reflection. There are many opportunities at our school to be leaders, not just in Grade 6. We saw a fantastic example of this last week when Eryn and her friends organised the RSPCA Pet Photo Competition. Our Junior School Council now has students from Grade 1–6, recognising the contributions of our younger students. Everyone has the capacity to be a leader, they just need an idea and the support to develop it and make it happen.
Working Bee
A reminder that our Winter Working Bee is this Sunday 3rd August, from 10.00am. We will be focussing on the outside and inside the 5/6 building. The outside groups will be doing general gardening and pruning and will need to bring tools such as pruning saws, secateurs, shovels, rakes, brooms, chainsaws, ladders, pressure cleaners, leaf blowers, utes/trailers etc. The inside group will be painting and moving and assembling furniture and will need to bring paint brushes, drop sheets, tape, rollers, ladders, drills, screwdrivers etc. If anyone has any leftover paint they think might be suitable to brighten up the 5/6 building bring that along too! Please contact Richard Dange or Tara Ellard for more information. The Working Bee will go ahead regardless of the weather.

NED Show
Today our students were treated to the NED Show. NED stands for Never Give Up, Encourage Others and Do Your Best. Yo-yos and strings will be available for sale tomorrow morning before school and at recess in the 5/6 building. Forms available at the office if you have misplaced yours.

Value of the Term
This term’s value is Fairness. Fairness is giving people what they need, when they need it. Each week there will be a question to discuss as a family about fairness. This week’s question is...How do Mum and Dad show fairness at home?

Illness
We have a reported case of chicken pox in the school community and some gastro as well. Please remember to keep your child home for 24 hours after their last bout of vomiting or diarrhoea in an effort to minimise the spread of infection.

Muesli Bar Monday
A reminder that every Monday this term we will be continuing to hold Muesli Bar Monday, until sold out. We have 2 flavours; Cranberry and Pepita and Quinoa and Chia Seeds. So far we have raised $210 for thankyou projects. Sales from these bars provides access to food for people in need. So far we have donated much needed funds to communities in Kenya and Cambodia. http://www.thankyou.co/

Signmees needing attention this week:
Edmodo Privacy Policy: 5/6 Only
Helpers for Supper Trivia Night — All families

Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)
If you are in receipt of a Health Care Card or are a Foster Parent you are eligible for the EMA allowances. Please contact the office for an application form. Those who received an EMA payment in the 1st term need not re-apply. Applications close 1st August 2014.

Trivia Night—Helpers needed
Help is needed to provide supper for those attending the Trivia Night. If you can help, please see Irene or respond to the Signmee that was sent last week. So far we have nearly 100 people coming to the night—now we have to provide supper for them.

Parent Opinion Survey
Randomly selected families should have received their surveys in the mail. Please return completed surveys to the office by tomorrow.

Footsteps Dance
A reminder that students will be learning and rehearsing the dances every Friday morning this term. Grade 3-6 lessons are from 9.00-9.45am and Grades P-2 are from 9.45-10.30am. It would be appreciated if lateness could be avoided and appointments are not made at this time to enable all students to fully participate.

Gonski Week
This week is National Gonski Week. Please take the time to read the attached information and visit the website. We need to send a strong, unified message to the state and federal governments that this funding is needed to provide the best possible programs and support for our students. Many thanks.

Tuning Into Kids
Inverloch Primary School is hosting the Tuning Into Kids workshops this term on Tuesday evenings from 7-9pm, beginning on 19th August for 5 sessions. Please contact Damon Piercy on 0428 620 470 or email damon.piercy@ucgips.org.au

The students have been involved in lessons and conversations to help them further develop an understanding that the bucket represents their emotional and mental wellbeing. Some of the items children have mentioned that fill their bucket is a good night’s sleep, a cuddle with a pet, a hug from a family member or a greeting by a friend when they arrive at school. We have also talked about events or actions that dip from our bucket or deplete our sense of wellbeing. Sometimes these are unavoidable life events, a friend moving away, the loss of a pet, an unkind word from another, criticism or sarcasm. One of the most challenging lessons for the children is about how to use their lid - the lid represents their ability to look after their own emotional and mental wellbeing. Once again children have mentioned that actions such as healthy eating, playing games and a good night’s sleep can help them feel stronger in terms of their wellbeing. Further lessons will be given on how to protect themselves from negative self-talk and day to day events that can deplete our reserve of wellbeing.

VIBs of the Week
Jasmine
A droplet from Kastje & Mr Farrell
Jasmine has a great personality. You are a great friend to play with. Your games are fair and you always let people play.
Your hard work and friendly nature never cease to amaze me! You are a pleasure to have in our grade.

Chloe
A droplet from Leila & Mr LePage
Chloe you are amazing. You’re funny, pretty & intelligent. You always have a smile on your face, help others and take care in everything you do! You are a STAR!

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A droplet from Remi & Mrs Smith
When you let me go in the cubby, it made me feel happy. When you have a go at writing it makes me very proud of you.

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