Grade 5 Leadership
At the end of Wednesday, all the Gr 5s went to Ms Gilbert’s classroom to work on our leadership skills. We got put into pairs, and we read about famous leaders and what they did. Then we did a Venn diagram on two of those people and found out the things that made them great leaders (courage, honesty, responsibility). We also wrote about the leader roles in our school and what you would need to be like to make a good leader. The current roles in our school are school captain, vice captain, junior school council and coastal ambassadors.

At the end of the session we played a team game. Everyone held hands while standing in a circle. Ms Gilbert had a hoop on her arm and when she said go, we had to get everyone through the hoop. The first go we did it in 1 minute and 30 seconds and the second time we got 1 minute and 28 seconds.

We learnt how to be great leaders and we look forward to next year.

Remembrance Day
On Tuesday all of the school captains went down to the cenotaph in town. We had a minutes silence and we placed and Australian flag in the ground. A student from the Secondary College played The Last Post and a few people spoke about war and remembrance.

Sports Report—Zali and Kairon
In Golf, Nick came 1st at the Qualifying Primary School Golf Championships held at Wonthaggi. There were 25 competitors and he shot 46 off the stick. Nick will be going onto Regions at Warragul next Monday.

Next Tuesday the Grade 6 girls will be heading off to Traralgon for the next level of Kanga Cricket. Good luck girls.

On the weekend Lochie G played in a basketball tournament and his team won the Grand Final by 6. Kairon also played in the tournament and his team also won their Grand Final by 4 points.

Tidy Team Awards
This week’s Tidy Team Award went to Grade Prep/L. Congratulations and thank you for keeping our school tidy.

Community Noticeboard
Fun and engaging art classes for toddlers to teens. Casual and Ongoing classes available. Plus NEW! Kids Art Parties! A fun and creative way to help celebrate your child’s birthday. For more information or to book a free trial class, contact Jacqui on 0400959522 or visit bookbookartstudio.com.au or www.facebook.com/bookbookartstudio

Fish Creek Community Garden:
Did you know that there is a thriving and fun community garden in Fish Creek? It’s on the rail trail behind the fire station. We meet every second Friday morning for harvesting, planting, weeding, mulching, learning, sharing and gardening. There’s a plenty of produce and joining the group is only $10 per quarter. Come along and see what it’s all about and bring the little ones - they will love it! Bring some gloves and join us from 10 to 12 Friday morning - we have a cuppa (and most times exquisite home baking to share) at the end after some mucking in. A great way to be a part of our community.

Important Dates
November
Thursday 13th Kinder Transition Starts
Tuesday 18th Kanga Cricket Finals
December
Monday 1st—Friday 12th Grade 1—6 Swimming Program at SPLASH (excluding Tuesday 2nd & 9th)

Hump Week!
We are now half way through the term and have lots to celebrate with some fantastic results in sports and the arts. On Friday, Bianca Stefani and Elizabeth Hoogwerf from the Toora Lions Club came to assembly to present awards to our creative senior students for their entries into the Peace Poster Competition. We wish Amity all the best as her poster moves onto the next level of competition. Last Thursday, our students were very competitive at the local Kanga Cricket competition. We wish the girls team good luck at the regional finals next Tuesday. On Tuesday, our School Captains represented FCDPS at the local Remembrance Day celebrations and students have been learning about our history in class this week to commemorate this significant day. I would like to thank the dedicated teachers for co-ordinating these extra curricula activities to help support the variety of interests, talents and citizenship of our students, often giving up their own time to do this. Also, I would like to thank the parents for helping out with coaching and transport to enable the costs to be kept to a minimum whilst ensuring maximum participation.
**Permission Notes**

The DEECD has very strict guidelines around permission notes and payment for excursions. Verbal permission in NOT acceptable and some handwritten notes do not meet legal requirements. Signmee is our preferred method of seeking permission and is approved by DEECD. We understand that the internet is not always reliable and we ask that if you are having any technical difficulties that you request a hard copy of the Signmee note to ensure the school is meeting all of the requirements and ultimately keeping students safe. Payment is required before any excursion and non-payment may result in students missing out on excursions. Payment plans are available for those who require assistance. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

**Junior School Council**

We have been very, very busy! Don’t forget to buy a frozen yoghurt this Friday - only ONE DOLLAR!! The lovely Isla and Olivia, and Anya and Molly will be selling this week. Next week will be offering Frozen fruit as well as what we have left of our frozen yoghurt! Stay tuned for prices.

This Monday Molly and a helper will be running a Go Noodle session in Mrs V’s room for all who would like to attend at lunchtime. Amity and Isla will be running an outside art activity - a nature collage. Next Monday Amity and Josh will be running an extra Genius hour session in Mrs V’s room, Olivia and Phoebe will be doing a ‘mo making’ workshop in preparation for our Mo Extravaganza in support of Movember, and Mr Farrell’s participation in this worthy cause. Kirra and Mia will be running a sandpit sand castle building competition for ages p -2.

So - we are flat out! But goodness it’s worth it!

**School Crossing Petition**

A reminder to everyone to please circulate the link below to your family and friends to help us reach our goal of 1000 supporters. We are nearly half way there with 438 signatures. [https://www.change.org/p/peter-ryan-deputy-premier-leader-of-the-nationals-and-member-for-south-geelong-victoria-keep-our-students-safe](https://www.change.org/p/peter-ryan-deputy-premier-leader-of-the-nationals-and-member-for-south-geelong-victoria-keep-our-students-safe)

**Movember**

If you haven’t noticed, Mr Farrell is somewhat cleanly shaven this month and is growing a Mo! This is not just because he thinks he will look cool, but to help raise funds for issues including men’s mental health, testicular and prostate cancer. So please dig deep and donate any amount to a very worthy cause at Movember.com or on Mr Farrell’s Mo space page at [http://mobro.co/barryfarrell137](http://mobro.co/barryfarrell137)

**Communication is Key**

Things are getting busier as we finalise the term and I would like to remind you all to keep the lines of communication open and let us know if there are any concerns about the end of the year or 2015. We recognise that family life is extremely busy outside of school and are really lucky at FCP that all staff (including Mrs Turner) are available to speak to parents during school hours. Our community partnerships are ones that we value and your children are at the centre of them, so please get in touch if need be.

**School Council Update**

This week we had a visit from Rob Higgins, principal of Leongatha PS and a parent Damian Murphy. They discussed the benefits of a language program and shared some of their successes about their relationship with China. Please speak to one of our school councillors if you would like more information about this. We also discussed our Parent Opinion Survey and have decided to develop our own survey. Keep your eyes out for this in the coming weeks. We approved the pupil free days for next year and discussed the ICT Acceptable Use Policy. The minutes are on our website.

**Swimming**

Just a reminder that the Signmee for swimming needs to be returned as soon as possible. If you are a member of SPLASH, please notify the office of the member number or you could type your member number in the same box as your emergency telephone number.