Junior School Council

Due to the changed timetable for swimming we won't be selling frozen fruit at recess or lunch this week, nor next. The Junior School Council would like to thank everyone who has contributed to our fundraising efforts this term. We would also like to thank everyone for their suggestions and ideas for fundraising. Stay tuned for an exciting 2015!

Grade 5 Leadership Course

On Wednesday this week we did leadership training. We did an activity about 'taming the butterflies'. It's about being courageous when standing in front people. It just doesn't look right if you stand up in front of heaps of people with your head down, playing with your hair, and speaking in a monotone. We played a game where we had to speak in front of all the grade 5's, Mrs V gave us a topic and a purpose and we had to make it up as we went. We all had a go, and we all did well. We learnt what we did when we got nervous. Some of us giggled, some started strong, some of us fidgeted.

By Toby And Angus D

All of the Grade 5's have had time in class to work on their application letters for a leadership position. They have identified the characteristics of a good leader and have identified their own strengths in preparation for their letters. They are excited, nervous and supportive of each other. They would like to thank Mrs Gilbert for the amazing amount of work she has put in to make this the success it has been.

SGSC School Band—Olivia & Molly

The SGSC Band was amazing and their talents were tremendous and they played their instruments well and we think they must have practiced lots. We loved listening to the music and learning how to use the baton. We both liked hearing the chords and notes played by the instruments. Everyone enjoyed it and had fun. The music was absolutely phenomenal so we thank the band and the conductor and the people who organised it.

Genius Hour/Mini Fair

You are cordially invited to come and view the Genius Hour projects and journals from our students. During the mini fair all of our projects will be on display - at this stage, in the gym - for a cost of 50 cent entry. Come and see the amazing creations and inventions produced by the amazing students of Fish Creek and District Primary School!

South Gippsland Tennis Coaching

Limited spaces have become available for tennis lessons at Fish Creek on a Sunday afternoon. Please contact matt on 0402 7396 693 for more information.

Fish Creek Carols

Friday 19th December

Fish Creek Hall

6.30—7.30pm

The annual Fish Creek Carols gives the community a chance to celebrate Christmas. Children are welcome to come and participate in the Nativity Story and the students from school will also sing. For more information, please contact Susan 5663 6325

Community Noticeboard

Important Dates

December

Monday 1st—Friday 12th  Grade 1—6 Swimming Program at SPLASH Excluding Tuesday 2nd & 9th

Tuesday 9th  Statewide Orientation Day School Council

Wednesday 10th  Grade 6 Graduation Dinner

Tuesday 16th  Fun Day at Toora Pool

Wednesday 17th  Christmas Dinner School Reports sent home

Thursday 18th  Mini Fair & Presentations

Friday 19th  Last day of Term 4 Early Dismissal 1.30pm

Community Christmas Carols at the Hall

Reports

Our teaching staff have been working hard these past few weeks to complete the end of year assessments to report to parents on their students' achievements and efforts. This is a very time consuming and demanding task, however I know the teachers enjoy seeing the progress and each student's individual growth over the year. Semester 2 reports will be handed out on Wednesday 17th December.

This has been my first full year at Fish Creek and it has been great to see the students' development, particularly the Preps. I can remember their first day when they arrived full excitement and a little bit of trepidation. They have blossomed and I know are going to make wonderful Grade 1s. The Grade 1/2s have done some amazing learning and fantastic artwork in their classroom this year. The Grade 3/4s have developed socially and emotionally through camps and excursions as well as programs like MPower. The Grade 5s have matured and are learning so much about leadership. I know they are ready for the challenges of Grade 6. The Grade 6s have been great leaders and have really improved across all areas. They have been well prepared for secondary college next year and I wish them well next Tuesday for the final orientation day. I am also looking forward to seeing our new prepies spend the morning here and welcoming them to the Fish Creek family.
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 482 signatures. 

We understand that not everyone has access to the internet in our community so we also have developed a paper version of the petition which some parents have agreed to circulate in the community. If you are able to help with this please contact the office.

Mini Fair

It is nearly time for the mini fair again, so we ask parents to have a look around and see if they have any items they would like to send along to the school for the White Elephant stall. Any item in good condition would be greatly appreciated. Mystery jars will be offered again so if you could please save some jars, fill them with mystery items and then wrap them and send them along to school Mrs Smith would appreciate it. This stall is always very popular so donations from across the Grades would be great.

Swimming

Please note due to swimming times varying there will be NO LUNCH ORDERS for the next two weeks. This includes the Preps.

Rubbish

We are asking that no rubbish goes outside during recess—students are taking food out of the packaging and putting it into the bin as they leave their classrooms. We are all enjoying eating our lunch together on the tables and chairs at the front of the school (inside the junior building when wet) under the supervision of staff. This is another time when the whole school can come together and parents are welcome to join us for lunch from 1.30-1.40pm. We hope that this will help with the rubbish problem and encourage everyone to have nude food lunchboxes everyday.

Take home & library books

Teachers have been collecting ‘take home’ books from the children. Could you please ask children to check bookcases and their bedrooms for library books as well. All books to be back by next Friday.

School Crossing Petition

A droplet from Bryn & Grace
You have a great responsibility and you never argue with other people. You are really nice and funny.

Hannah
A droplet from Amelia & Mrs V
You are friendly, caring and kind. You have a great sense of humour and you make me smile all the time. You always include others and you give me compliments. You are a fantastic friend.

Where do I start? You fill my bucket because I have thoroughly enjoyed having you in the class. You have gained confidence, gained strength and gained happiness. I am thoroughly enjoying your smile and cheerful demeanour in the classroom, as do your mates. You are a valuable member of the class.

Lucas
A droplet from Corey & Miss Jordan
You always play sugar rush with me and Max. You are great at Leggo Ninjago games and you have a lot of Leggo that I admire. What awesome writing you have been doing. I love how you are proud of yourself and are achieving your goals. Thank you for your manners and kind personality. I have loved getting to know you.

Sophie
A droplet from Mrs T & Miss Jordan
You have settled in well to our school. We love having you here.
You fill my bucket with your generous and caring nature for the people in our class. You are a kind friend. I also love the way you come to school with a smile on your face. You have settled into our school well and we are glad to have you.

Olivia
A droplet from Kirra & Emily
You are an amazing, smart, intelligent person. You stick up for me and you are great at skipping. Your incredibly respectful and phenomenal at everything you do. There is way too many things to say about you. You’re also a great drawer.
You are an amazing friend to have. You are phenomenal at maths, spelling, reading art and being a good friend to everyone. You have a bubbly personality. You are a phenomenal friend to have.

Luke
A droplet from Bryn & Grace
You have a great responsibility and you never argue with other people. You are really nice and funny.

Angus
A droplet from Kairon & Lochie
You are funny and good at sport. You bring laughter.
You are so funny and great at basketball. You are a great mate top have and you always make me laugh, although you never will be quiet.

KidsMatter Action Team Update

On Wednesday we held our final Action Team meeting for 2014. We’d like to thank all of the action team members for their enthusiasm, commitment and thought provoking discussions. We are looking at running an information session with a guest speaker towards the end of Term 1, 2015. We will update you early next year.

Many thanks to Megan Vuillermin, Meaghan Standfield, Karen Dorling, Michaels Lein, Howard Prosser, Sandy Doncort and Cam LePage. We would also like take this opportunity to acknowledge all of the time and energy Kath Gilbert has put into leading the Action Team and wish her well in 2015 as she returns to Tarwin Valley Primary School. Wendy Vito’s will take on the role of leading KidsMatter.