

Fishy News

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A message from the Principal

Hi everyone,

Just a quick note to tell everyone that I will be going on medical leave from the 1st of September for a period of at least 6 weeks. I will be having a hip replacement which basically means for me a lot of sitting around on the couch watching sport (Hopefully I can watch the Bombers play some finals football). I am looking forward to the surgery and it will be great to be able to walk around pain free again. In the meantime I will be replaced by Anthony Collins. Mr Collins is the current vice principal of Mirboo North Primary School and is a wonderful educator and person. He has worked in lots of schools around Gippsland and even worked for a period of time in remote Indigenous communities of Western Australia. I am very happy knowing the school will be in very capable hands.

Tonight at 7pm we will be having our 2022 prep information night. A big thankyou to Tex, Oscar, Oakleigh and Leticia who made videos for this evening about their experiences at our school. I was hoping we would be able to have this night face to face but unfortunately this event will be held remotely via WebEx. If you would like to join the meeting or if you know of any families looking to enrol into our great school next year, please direct them to WebEx meeting on <https://eduvic.webex.com/meet/smith.kerri.e>

Just a quick congratulations to all our Prep students on completing their first 100 days of school; normally this would happen earlier in the year but with delays with remote learnings they finally made it in the middle of August. I must say all of the preps looked fantastic yesterday, it was great to see them all dressed up and getting into the spirit of the occasion. Well done to Mrs Smith for organising the day.

We have a couple of student teachers working at the school for the rest of the term, In the prep grade we have Tramy who started with us on Monday and is a 4th year student teacher. She will be based in the prep grade with Mrs Smith. Next Monday we also have Tanya Dyke joining us, she will be working in the grade 5/6 class with Ms Ellis. Tanya is also a 4th year student teacher and is very much looking forward to coming to our school and meeting our students.

Cheers, Dale



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IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST

Thu 19th Prep Info Night

SEPTEMBER

Tue 14th School Council

Fri 17th Last day Term 3

PRIMARY WELFARE

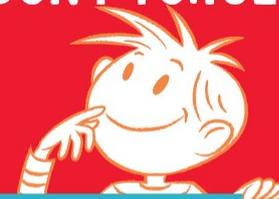
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DON'T FORGET!



SCHOLASTIC
Book Club

orders are due:

2nd September 2021

Student of the Week

School Book Fair

The School Book Fair has come to an end. Thank you so much to all students and families who supported the Book Fair.

Commission from our sales raised around \$700 to spend on books for our Library and classrooms.

Congratulations to the Grade 5/6 students who showed great initiative, responsibility and leadership in running the Book Fair.

Cody, Willem and Alistair led the Book Fair Competitions team. Any student who bought a book went into the Book Fair Raffle (stored in an original VEC ballot box

– another Kongwak Market find from Ms Ellis). They also ran a Guess the Pages in the Jar competition.



Danika won the Book in a Jar competition. She guessed 324, which was the closest to the correct 330. She chose a book from the *Ella at School* series as her prize.



Zoe got 1st prize in the raffle. She chose a diary and a pen as her prize.



Oakleigh won 2nd prize in the raffle. She chose the book *Talking to Alaska* as her prize.

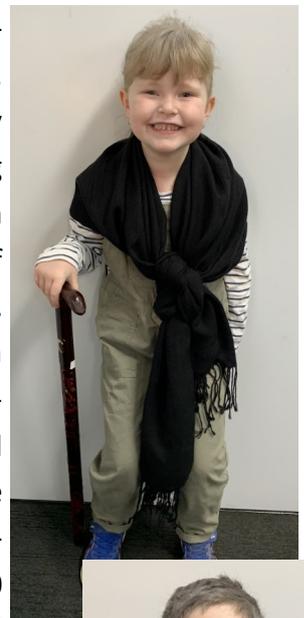


Taliah won 3rd prize and chose some new stationery to add to her collection.



PREPS 100 Days of School

Yesterday the preps celebrated our 100th day of school. We came dressed up as very old people and brought along a bag that held 100 things in it. We had collections of grass, rosemary leaves, skittles and m and ms, cotton buds, beads, etc. It was wonderful to see all the little old ladies and gents around the school. They also made portraits of themselves as 100 year olds and we did lots of Maths based on the number 100.



Happy 100 Days!

Primary Wellbeing

One day my Granny just stopped buying the newspapers, she said "I am really careful not to eat too much salt or fat or sugar, I look after what I put in my body – the news makes me so sad, I need to look after what I put in my mind too, so I am not buying the papers anymore". I thought she was bonkers; it was important to know what is going on in our world.

These days the news is EVERYWHERE – radio, internet, papers. We don't have a TV but I have picked up a bit of a habit of listening to the news ALL the time. I see a clock on the hour and if I am at home, I turn the radio up or if I am in the car, I do the same.

Last week while I was listening to the news became overwhelmed with emotion for the young people presenting and discussing the news each day on my radio station. It must be so hard to deliver the news these days and do it with such empathy and kindness.

SO, on Sunday I decided to NOT listen to the news. We took a family adventure to the snow soundtracked by fun music, a mum made quiz and a funny talking book.

We swapped news and our 4 walls to be out in nature together as a family, take risks on the slopes, learn our limits, and laugh and smile for the day.

I came home with new ideas and hope. My daughters and I made plans for the garden, and we talked about things we COULD do to make the world a better place right now.

I think my Granny was onto something, I might not be ready to ditch the news altogether but limiting my listening / googling to things I can't change might make me more productive to change the things that I CAN change.

It is so important that we look after our beautiful minds right now, so that we can do wonderful things with them rather than become overwhelmed with sadness and worry. Googling COVID Victoria numerous times a day is not going to change the numbers but weeding the garden might lift your spirits and make room for better things to grow!

Please be in touch if you need a chat
Donna Giliam PWO

RUOK Day

On Wednesdays the Junior School Council will be selling hot chocolates from the school kitchen for \$1 each. The profits from this will be going towards our special RU OK? day celebrations.



Let's Call it the Beast this week!

Betty and Ann from Fish Creek kindly donated \$200 so that we could do something for the Fishy school children after such a great Science day at the Composter. The money has been used to enable the school's fruit trees to be professionally pruned. Thanks Amanda for a great job! In spring a feed of compost will also encourage a plentiful harvest.

If you come into Fish Creek regularly and have 10 minutes spare to help it would be much appreciated. Welcome Jo to the team of helpers, Jo has just started doing a couple of morning feeds.

We are excited to have Gerhard Grasser running a series of workshops in Fish Creek 'Engaging Microbiology in Soil, Plant, Animal and Human Health.' Tea making and microscope work are on the menu for composter volunteers who have additional time and would like to take their interest and support a little further.

Thanks again for all those dropping off food waste and weeds. Keep it coming everyone!

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About the program

TheirCare provides a stimulating and safe environment for all children and an environment where children come and enjoy their time in their program. During sessions children develop life skills, friendships, confidence and creativity through play.

Fish Creek Primary School has partnered with **TheirCare** to provide quality care, flexibility and commitment to deliver on our promise to your school community.

Operation Times		Fees*	Out of Pocket	Average^
Before School Care	7:00am – 8:45am	\$19.00	\$3.13 - \$19.00	\$3.13
After School Care	3:30pm – 6:00pm	\$26.00	\$3.90 - \$26.00	\$3.90
Pupil Free Day	7:00am – 6:00pm	\$70.00	\$10.50 - \$70.00	\$10.50
Cancellation / Late Booking	Within 48 hours	\$5.00	\$5.00	
Cancellation Fee	Same Day	Full Fee	See BSC/ASC	

Service Phone Number: TBC Your service coordinator will be available during session times. TheirCare support is available during office hours if required on 1300 072 410.

How to Enrol

Visit **TheirCare** website: www.theircare.com.au and click on 'Book Now' in the top right-hand corner to register your child's details.

*Standard fees excluding incursion / excursion costs

^Based on ABS published average family income for the suburb the school is located