

# Fishy News

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## A message from the Principal

Hello to all parents/carers,

Well, it's nice to say that we have nearly completed a whole week back with our P-2s for the beginning of Term 4. The students slipped seamlessly back into class and have told us many a story about their holidays. They've also enjoyed their P.E with Mr Couper and Science sessions with Miss Giliam to say the least.

I will also take this opportunity to thank Mrs Schneider for teaching the 1/2s whilst Mrs Shelley was on leave. I know the students loved having her and she provided a great atmosphere for them to thrive in the days they were present on site and online. Therefore, we welcome back Mrs Shelley along with Anda (Rhama, not yet) to the journey of Term 4.

Next week is as follows:

### Return to school:

**From Monday 11 October (Week 2 and 3), a staggered approach will apply so all students are back in the classroom at least part-time and online remotely for the remainder.**

- Years 3-4 and 8-9 will attend school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays
- Years 5-6 and 10 will attend on Thursdays and Fridays

**For Fish Creek and District Primary School this means that the 4/5 Composite Class here will ONLY have Grade 4's at school on the Tue/Wed's and ONLY Grade 5s on Thu/Fri's for Weeks 2 and 3.**

At this stage the latest information is still stating that from **Tuesday 26 October, all students will be back in the classroom full-time.**

There still remains concern about the potential for COVID-19 to spread across regional Victoria. So, we continue to ask parents/carers to limit entering the school site unless absolutely necessary. Please contact the office if unsure of anything or there is a need to discuss things further.

My tenure at Fish Creek and District Primary School will come to an end soon and whilst I am disappointed that I may not get to meet all the students at the school, I am delighted that I was able to work with a dedicated staff throughout my time. I've learnt many if not all the students' names and met some fantastic learners in the time I've had here.

Mr Banks doesn't have an exact return date yet and his recovery is going well, but if this is my last newsletter to the community, I thank you for your support in my brief, but eventful placement. It really is a lovely community that I've been fortunate to be a part of.

Regards,  
Anthony Collins



## FISH CREEK & DISTRICT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### IMPORTANT DATES

#### OCTOBER

Tue 19th School Council  
Tue 26th All students return full time

#### NOVEMBER

Tue 9th School Council

### PRIMARY WELFARE

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## Primary Wellbeing

I love words, I love how pretty or powerful or sad or joyful they can make us feel. So many wonderful words have been put in beautiful sentences to put things right or to make sense of the world.

Yet, there are no words to fill the hole that is left in the world with the passing of one of our school mothers, Fleur Stefani.

So instead of words, we walked her goodbye, our community on the rail trail. We honoured her in nature, with kids, dogs, and her beloved horses.

Then, the flag flew half-mast and her community stood along the road as the horses led her through her town, past the flowers and frogs on the school fence for her. There are no words to put this right, no way to rush the grief and pain of not having such a dynamic human in our orbit anymore.

No words to put this right for Julia and Damien, her people.

May you Damien and Julia feel the immense love of your family and community during this time when the sentences and the words cannot make sense.

May our community continue to hold each other as we do so well.

Please reach out if you need a chat

Donna Giliam Primary Welfare

0493 131 403



## Corner Inlet Swimming Club

The Corner Inlet Swimming Club started their 2021 training season on the 4th October. Training for Senior squad is Mondays and Wednesdays from 5.30pm - 7pm and Junior squad is 5.30pm - 6.30pm on Mondays and Wednesdays. Training is at Toora Swimming Pool for anyone aged 8—100 who can competently swim 2 laps of the pool in 3 strokes. Don't forget your goggles, flippers, water bottle and towel. Please arrive 10 minutes prior to start to complete the Pool and CISC Covid registers. Masks and social distancing rules apply. For more information please call Jill on 0417 582 180 or Wil on 0407 747 667 or email dolphins@cisc@gmail.com. First Session Free!



Dear Fish Creek and District Primary School Community

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all back to term 4. Before and After school care is back for Term 4.

During the end of Term 3, I have been working collaboratively with the coordinators and Toora primary school and Welshpool primary school to come up with a fun way we can help give back to the community. During this term we will be asking the children that attend before and after school care to decorate bags throughout service time and at the end of the term the coordinators from the 3 schools will drop it off to the Latrobe Regional Hospital to help with a new project they are starting. If you would like to find out more about this project for term 4 please give me a call or pop in during operating hours to have a chat.

Please remember if you would like to utilise care to hop online to [fullybooked](https://fullybooked.com.au)

<https://theircare.fullybookedccms.com.au/family/login> and ensure that your child/ren are booked in if you have questions please don't hesitate to give myself ( 0457 555 261) or Theircare head office on (1300 072 410)

### Our operating hours are;

**B 4 S C** – 7.00 am to 8.30 am weekdays

**A S C** - 3.00 pm to 6.00 pm weekdays

At Their Care we aim to provide children with a program that allows opportunities children to learn, explore and socialize in safe, relaxing and fun environment.

Looking forward to seeing you all back at school very soon

Sarah



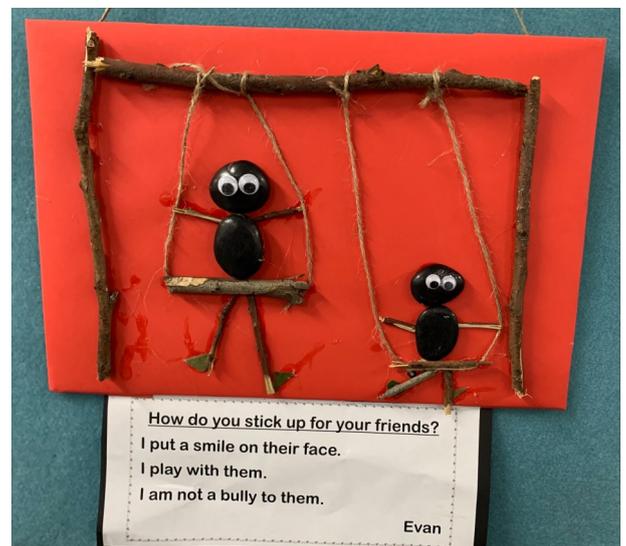
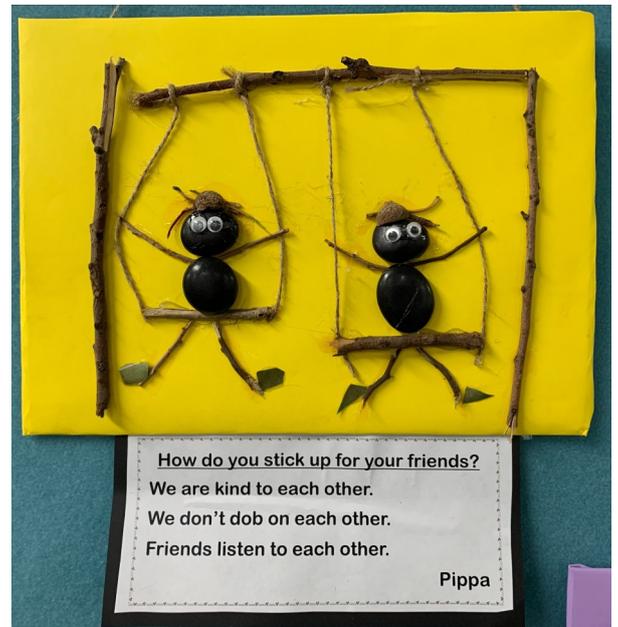
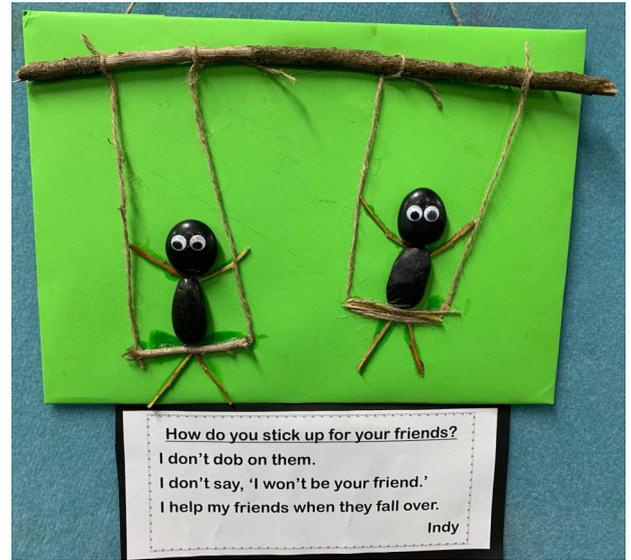
### Grade 1/2 Maths

We started exploring volume and capacity and students were challenged to make a bowl out of paper that would hold the same amount of 'porridge' as one of The Three Bears' bowls. This involved lots of problem solving and creativity (along with a few disasters!) Noisy, fun, challenging and, at times, frustrating: just what every Maths session should be!



### Prep Work

The Preps have been studying a story on 'Stick and Stone' who get bullied by Pinecone. These were some of our responses to how we stick up for our friends.



## Updated Edition Out Now!

### Bass Coast & South Gippsland Guide to Local Health Services & Supports Second Edition

Building on the success of the Community Guide launched in 2020, the South Coast Primary and Community Partnership which includes *Bass Coast Shire Council, South Gippsland Shire Council, Bass Coast Health, Gippsland Southern Health Service and South Gippsland Hospital*, with support by the *Department of Health*, have released a second edition which now includes more services available for local residents. The guide has been used widely across the region to connect residents with local services to support their health and wellbeing during the pandemic.

The Community Guide is designed to improve access to services across the region, including:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
- Alcohol and Other Drugs
- Community House and Learning
- Family and Children’s Services
- Family Violence
- Financial Counselling
- Food and Essential Supplies
- Housing and Homelessness
- In Home Supports
- Legal Assistance
- LGBTIQ+
- Mental Health Support
- Multicultural
- People with Disability
- Support for Older People
- Youth Services
- Health Referrals and Service Directories

An e-version is available online on South Gippsland Shire Council’s, Bass Coast Shire Council’s and the South Coast Primary and Community Partnership’s websites with a printed hard copy available from community access points throughout the community, including from service providers, libraries and community houses.

[www.southcoastpcp.org.au](http://www.southcoastpcp.org.au)

[www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au](http://www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au)

[www.basscoast.vic.gov.au](http://www.basscoast.vic.gov.au)



## Be SunSmart.

As we are now in Term 4, we would like to remind everyone that hats are required out in the playground.



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COVID-19  
+ Self Care Tips +

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Creating a daily routine will help you move through your day. Keep things realistic and flexible!
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