



## Important Dates

## 11<sup>TH</sup> August 2022

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AUGUST	
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 Camp drop off at camp 4.15pm Pick up Friday at 3.00pm
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	SSA Basketball Year 5/6
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Victoria Police visit – Yr 5/6 – Parent Session 3.45pm
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	School Music and Movement Festival – Please approve on Compass ASAP
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Book Week Parade and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Prep 2023 transition day 9.00am – 11.30am
SEPTEMBER	
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3/4 Camp
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Mini Fete – 10 – 12.30/1pm - Last Day of Term 2
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Staff Professional Practise Day -Student Free Day

# PRINCIPAL'S COLUMN

**School Values:** Respect, Responsibility, Kindness and Collaboration.

**GEELONG MUSIC AND MOVEMENT FESTIVAL.** This is scheduled for Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August (next week). Thanks to the students and parents for organising wonderful costumes. Thanks also to our Performing Arts/Music teachers Ms Scholtes and Ms Hyland) for their organisation and efforts to prepare the children. **As the buses will leave school at 8:20am, we need all students to arrive at school in full costume no later than 8:10am.** Students will perform at Costa Hall between 9:45am and 11:30am. After our performances, students are encouraged to put on some warm clothing (eg. school jumper). Students and staff will then walk to Poppy Kettle Playground for lunch and participate in some activities (eg. Bollards Walk) along the Geelong waterfront before boarding a bus from Eastern Beach to return to school at approximately 3:00pm. Parents/carers are encouraged to purchase a ticket so see their child/ren perform and are asked to see the relevant home group teacher if collecting their child/ren from Geelong to sign them out. Thanks to those parents/cares who have informed us via Compass that they are, or are not, collecting their child/ren, as this helps us to book buses. <u>Face Masks:</u>

- I've spoken to the Coronavirus Hotline, who said that since buses fall under 'Public Transport', children aged 8+ and staff are required to wear a face mask on a bus. Our teachers will have masks available for the students to wear on the bus.
- At Costa Hall, an indoor setting where we can't follow physical distancing protocols, children aged 8+ and staff are recommended to wear a face mask.

**BOOKWEEK PARADE.** This will be held on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August. All students, including our 2023 Preps, are encouraged to come to school dressed as a favourite book character. At the beginning of the day students will meet in their home groups before we hold our parade on the Basketball Court at 9:30am so we can see everyone's costumes. If the weather is inclement, the parade will be held in the Stadium. After the parade, the students will be placed into multi-aged groups to read the Bookweek books and complete activities related to them.

**PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAY (PUPIL FREE DAY – SEPTEMBER 16).** Recently a new Enterprise Bargaining Agreement for teachers was approved. As part of the agreement teachers are entitled to Professional Practice Days. Like last term, for term three the Department of Education and Training has recommended each teacher's allocated professional practice day be held on the same day, meaning this will be a pupil-free day. The date was

discussed at school council last night and set for the last day of Term 3 (Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September). Teachers will use the day to attend professional learning regarding our Sounds Write (reading, writing and spelling) program.

**GARDENING.** Thanks to Bill and the team at ANGAIR who will visit our school on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August to do some gardening with the Grade 3+4 children between 9:00 and 11:00am.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL.** Thanks to our members of council who give their time and expertise to support the school. Below is a summary of last night's meeting:

- The following policies were endorsed and will soon appear on our website: Child Safety Responding and Reporting Policy and Procedures, Duty of Care.
- We discussed a process for reviewing our remaining Child Safe policies to ensure we meet Department of Education and Training requirements.
- The teacher Professional Practice Day (pupil free day) was set for Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September.
- We discussed the Anglesea Riverbank Markets and how council can successfully run the school's markets with
  parental assistance. The dates for our upcoming markets are Melbourne Cup Weekend (October 30), New Year's
  Day (January 1) and January 14. If parents/carers could keep these dates free to give some time and help us
  raise funds for the school, that would be greatly appreciated. These markets raise considerable funds for the
  school which in the past have been used to fund our Art and Music teachers and programs.
- Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) will hold a BBQ fundraiser at the ANGAIR Art Show on the weekend of September 17 and 18. If parents/cares can give some time to help, please contact Rachel in OSHC.
- We discussed how we will receive up to \$22,837.26 for the Bushfire Preparedness (Vegetation) Program and how to best use this funding.
- A plan to develop 'The Village News', our end of year school magazine, was discussed. The Village News is produced to celebrate our achievements each year. If parents/carers would like to assist in its production, please contact me
- A Parent/Carers helpers program was discussed, allowing parents/carers to assist at school. If you are interested
  in being a helper, please let me know via email (Subject: Parent/Carer Helper) so I can arrange a suitable time
  to host a 'Parent/Carer Helper Induction Session' to cover things like confidentiality and privacy.
- We discussed our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program. A plan to reinstate this is in process, with ANGAIR assisting to rejuvenate our vegetable garden beds. Once they have been rejuvenated, we'll recommence the 'cooking' part of this program. If parents/carers would also like to assist with this program, please contact me.

**SSA BASKETBALL.** Good luck to our Grade 5+6 Basketball teams competing at this event tomorrow. Students and staff are required to wear a face mask on the bus, teachers will have masks available for the students to wear. At the venues, indoor settings where we can't follow physical distancing protocols, children aged 8+ and staff are recommended to wear a face mask except when competing on court.

**STUDENT VOICE.** Our Grade 6 Student Voice leaders, along with the student voice representatives from our Home Groups, met recently to discuss:

- The names of our House Groups.
- Raising funds for the Geelong Animal Welfare Society (GAWS).
- Mini Fete, to be held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September from 10:00am to 12:30/1:00pm.

**SCHOOL UNIFORM.** A reminder that our Uniform Policy states students are expected to wear uniform each day.

**STAFF ABSENCES.** Like all schools, we are experiencing staff absence due to COVID and other reasons. Casual Relief Teachers are being employed when available to minimise disruption to our student learning and wellbeing programs.

**2023 PREP TRANSITION PROGRAM.** We currently have 22 Prep students enrolled for next year with nearly all of them attending their first transition session on Friday. Thanks to our Grade 5 'buddies' for looking after them so well.

## CAMPS (GRADE 2 AND 3-4).

- Grade 2. This is being held today and tomorrow at Burnside Camp in Anglesea and I hope they have fun.
- Grade 3+4 Camp will be held at Coastal Forrest Lodge from Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September.
   The permission and medical form will be sent home shortly.

**2023 VILLAGE FAIR.** This is traditionally our biggest fundraiser allowing us to install the Imaginative Play Space /Cubbies, roof over the bike shed, shade sails over the playground and additional books for the children to read. Due to COVID, it was last held in 2020. If you want to help or find out more about the Village Fair, please contact Marcelle.

VICTORIA POLICE VISIT. A representative from Victoria Police will visit our school on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August for a:

- Student session with the Grade 5/6s from 2:30-3:30pm. Topic: Cyber safety and respecting other people's property
- Parent/carer session from 3:45-4:30pm. Topic: Cyber safety including supervision, grooming and keeping your children safe. If parents/carers want to attend this session, which is not suitable for children, please let Colleen in the office know by 9:00am on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August.

**eSAFETY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS.** Here is a link with advice for parents/carers to help children have safe experiences online: eSafety for Parents link

Here is a link to an eSmart webinar titled 'Parenting in The Digital World'. August 22. Link: esmart.page.link/22 On Wednesday night I attended the eSmart session titled 'Gaming – Turning It Into A Positive Experience'. Below is a summary:

- Parents/carers need to put some boundaries around playing games online so it is a positive experience for everyone.
- If your child is playing Minecraft or Roblox, ask questions like: Explain to me what you are doing? What are you playing? Why is it fun? Can you show me how? What are you learning?
- Parents/carers need to manage screen time. As parents/carers, how are we going to do this? How will we avoid tantrums? To get children off the screens, they may listen better to a timer rather than a parents voice. Or they may listen better to a comment like: "Hey, let's do something together". For example, play a board game.
- Develop a family technology plan. Depending on your parenting style, this may include only having technology in a public space. Eg. no technology in bedrooms.
- Neurodiverse children can develop social skills by playing online games with others.

**ASSEMBLY.** Assembly will be held on Friday at 3pm in the Stadium. All welcome.

Anglesea PS: great staff, great students, great community = great school!

Murray Surkitt.

Principal.

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PS. GO CATS!

## Helping at Our School...Thank you. HELPERS NEEDED PLEASE

## Sick Bay Laundry Roster - Term 3

We need people to go on our sick bay roster. This would involve changing the bedding. ie washing the sheets, pillow cases, doona cover each Friday. If you are able to help please send me an email <a href="mailto:anglesea.ps@education.vic.gov.au">anglesea.ps@education.vic.gov.au</a> or pop in to the office and see me. Thank you to Vanessa Lane for her help in sick bay recently

### **Term 3 Roster**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Aug / 12<sup>th</sup> – Lucy Dowling Friday 19<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> – Elise Saw Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept/9<sup>th</sup> – Evie Lander

Thankyou to these wonderful parents.

## **Geelong Schools Music and Movement**

Tickets to attend the festival are now available. Please visit: <a href="https://geelongartscentre.org.au/creative-learning/geelong-schools-music-movement-festival-concert/">https://geelongartscentre.org.au/creative-learning/geelong-schools-music-movement-festival-concert/</a> to purchase your seat.

Multiple schools will be performing on the day. Purchase early to secure your entry.

#### **TICKET PRICES**

Single Price \$5

#### **SESSION**

• Tuesday August 16th, 9:45 am

#### **VENUE**

Costa Hall - Deakin University Geelong Waterfront

#### **DURATION**

• Roughly 1hr 30mins

ADDITIONAL EVENT INFORMATION

Children under 2 years can enter for free provided they sit on a parent's lap

# **Junior News**

#### Reminders

- Please label all personal belongings (including drink bottles and lunch boxes) as we have a lot of items in **lost property.**
- TOY and TEDDY DAY On Friday 12 August the Grade Preps and Ones will be having a TOY and TEDDY DAY at school while the Grade 2's are on camp. You may bring a toy or teddy from home and we will participate in activities during Maths, Reading, Writing and Wellbeing with our toys. We will enjoy a picnic lunch together (please just bring your usual lunchbox, no food sharing). We look forward to a fun day and meeting your favourite toys.



COULD GRADE PREP AND ONE STUDENTS PLEASE BRING
 ANY BOXES OR CARDBOARD YOU MAY HAVE ON <u>FRIDAY</u> AS
 WE WILL BE MAKING THINGS FOR OUR TOYS AND TEDDIES. THANKYOU

### **TOY AND TEDDY DAY**

WHEN: FRIDAY 12 AUGUST WHERE: JUNIOR LEARNING

**COMMUNITY** 

WHO: PREP AND GRADE ONE

**STUDENTS** 

WHY: FOR FUN LEARNING!

**BRING: TOY OR TEDDY (no weapons)** 



### **Grade 2 Camp** (11th and 12th August)

Grade 2 students were very excited today in anticipation for camp. We will post photos in next week's newsletter of our camping experience. Students are to be at camp at 4.15pm and picked up at 3pm.

It's been another busy week of learning in the JLC. Below is a snapshot of our week.

# Wallabies- Bounding into Learning

In **Measurement** and **Geometry** students continued to work on their goals for **Time.** The Wallabies played Time Bingo and matched analogue and digital clocks. Whilst creating a Seasons Wheel, they worked out that each season lasts for one quarter of the year, identified the months (and days in each)

in each season and then calculated how many days are in each season. During the Commonwealth Games, students kept a tally of medals won by Australia.

# Piranhas-snapping up success

Over the last couple of weeks, the Piranhas have been learning about the Commonwealth Games. We have read information and answered questions about the games, extended our vocabulary by describing some of the venues (vibrant, towering, crisp) and learnt about Perry the Mascot. Last week students designed an athlete on an orange, what their uniform would look like and wrote a matching athlete profile. Next, we learnt about Australia's 3 flags and what they represent. Students drew one of the flags, pinned it onto their tops and took their 'orange athletes' to compete in our own class Commonwealth Games. Last, we completed a rotation of activities timing ourselves for 30 seconds and doubling our totals.





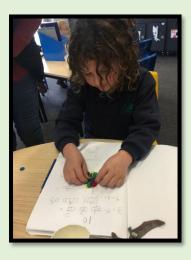


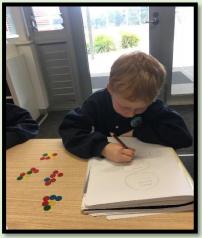




# King Parrots

This week in Maths the King Parrots have been focusing on sharing. We have been learning to share objects like teddies and counters into equal groups and are beginning to recognise whether there is a remainder or not after sharing equally. Students have been challenging their thinking by investigating if there is more than one way to share a number of objects equally.





## Tinker Time

In Tinker Time this term we have been learning about where our food, clothing and shelter comes from with a focus on different kinds of farms. The students have made chickens, sheep and ladybirds to reflect their understanding of the care and use of different animals on farms.









Next Monday we are going to make bug hotels for the school kitchen garden to encourage insects to reside in our garden and help care for our plants. If you have any old hollow bricks, wooden boxes, plastic bottles or anything else your child/ren would like to make into a bug hotel then please send them

along to school on Monday, or Friday, if you're super organised! Below are some ideas we will use when constructing our bug homes next week.







### Awards

Junior S- Solomon Junior P- Bligh Junior J- Louis Junior R- Bobby C

## Star of the Week-

Wallabies- Alex Piranhas- Scarlet King Parrots- Ethan

Persistent Puppies- Alfie Ashby

## **Notes sent home**

nil

Jay, Julie, Wendy, Linda and Emily (The Junior Team)

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# **Senior Community News**

#### **Pre-Service Teachers**

Welcome to pre-service teacher Amy Zhu (Miss Amy) from LaTrobe University who will be working in the 3/4 Learning Community with Senior G for the next 4 weeks. Amy has previously completed a placement at our school last year in Junior C and has volunteered her time to support students in the 5/6 Learning Community this year. Also, pre-service teacher Peter Templeton (Mr T#2) from LaTrobe University who will be working in the 5/6 Learning Community with Senior LT for the next 4 weeks. Peter has previously completed a placement at our school earlier in the year in Senior G. Both pre-service teachers are in their 4th year of university and completing their final placements.





#### **Preparation for Puberty in Primary Schools sessions**

Please find below the dates and times of the school based face-to-face Preparation for Puberty in Primary School student sessions that are still to be delivered are as follows;

- Mon 15/8 9 10am Year 6's / 10 11am Year 4/5/6 girls only
- Mon 22/8 9 10am Year 6's

#### **Inquiry**

Over the last few weeks, as part of our history unit, students in Grade 3 and 4 have been working collaboratively in pairs to research significant celebrations and commemorations in Australia and other places around the world. They have looked at the history of the celebration or commemoration including the narrative or myth that guides the celebration from the past, the importance of symbols and emblems linked to the celebration or commemoration, where it is celebrated, who celebrates or commemorates it and how. Today students presented their presentations to their peers. Students chose to present using various formats including Keynote, hard copy posters and as podcasts. Students are to be congratulated on the quality of their final projects as well as their presentations, which also go toward informing achievement of their Speaking and Listening goals.







#### **Maths**

This week in Maths the Grade 5 and 6 students have beenlooking at different mathematical patterns. The students participated in a Game called 'Pentris' which enabled them to 'Flip, Slide and Rotate' different shapes to try and cover all the tiles on the games board. It was great to see the students using their mathematical skills and working collaboratively to try and solve the challenge. Please see some photos below of this activity:







## Year 5/6 Reading

This week students have continued our investigation into the literary devices that authors used to engage their reader focusing on Personification.

"Personification" is a figure of speech. It is when the author gives an object or idea human behaviours, actions, or thoughts. The author is making the subject like a person even though it is not a person. Personification helps the reader become connected to the subject.

## Year 5/6 Writing

This week Year 5/6 students continued to work on their Poetry Anthology by drafting and publishing a Colour Poem. A Colour poem allows a writer to present different images about a particular colour. These poems describe colours using your five different senses: sight, sound, taste, touch, smell. In a Colour Poem the author paints a picture using descriptive words. The lines in the poem do not have to rhyme or have a pattern.

#### **Victoria Police Visit**

Cathy Hastie from the Victoria Police will be visiting the Grade 5/6s on Monday afternoon to discuss cybersafety with the students and providing them with information about how to stay safe online, the consequences of cyberbullying and how to be safe in the community.

Cathy will also be running a parent session at 3:45pm-4:30pm on Monday afternoon, we encourage parents to come along to listen to the presentation and ask any questions.

#### **Urgent Request:**

We are still running low on tissues in the senior spaces, if you can donate a box of tissues, it would be greatly appreciated.

#### **Awards**

Senior L/T - Fletcher Senior A - Cillian Senior G - Luca Senior V - Kiahna

#### **Legend of the Week**

Senior L/T - Maddie Senior A - Amber Senior G - Junah Senior V - Lexi

## **At Home Reading**

We expect every child to read for at least 20 minutes at home every day. This helps to build fluency, reading skills and strategies that your child is working on in class and helps to foster a love for reading.

#### **Notes home:**

- Nil

Duncan, Lachlan, Natalie, Georgia and Tom.

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# **COMMUNITY NEWS**



#### MUSIC RECITAL

SUNDAY 21st AUGUST 2.30 - 3.30 pm

at TRANSFIGURATION CHURCH, ANGLESEA

A fundraising concert for the enabling ramp at St Luke's Church, Torquay



Pianist: Avi Cytrynowski Baritone: Peter Bray

presenting classical and contemporary works

<u>VENUE</u>: Transfiguration Church 2 Camp Rd, Anglesea VIC

Tickets at Door: \$25 adults, \$20 concession, children by donation

ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS ST LUKE'S ENABLING

RAMP PROJECT

