Principal’s News

This year seems to be slipping past very quickly. It’s hard to believe we’re at the end of term 3 already. The holidays will be a great opportunity for our students to have a rest, catch their breath and get ready for a great term 4.

Next term we are introducing a new opportunity. Beginning on the second Tuesday of term, 11 October, we are offering students from grade 3-6 the opportunity of a Super Learners session after school. The sessions will run from 3.30-4.30 and are open to students who would like to access computers or the internet to complete homework and projects, to anyone who would like some extra help with something they are learning, to take the opportunity to read to someone or for anyone who would like a learning challenge. This program also aims to build learning confidence in that students will have the opportunity to go over aspects of their work that they may not feel completely sure of.

This is not compulsory or to be used as a punishment! It is also not intended as an after school care program and students who choose to attend are there under the expectation that they will be working for the time they are there. There will be a staff member working with the students to help with any areas needing assistance. Students may come for only one session or each week: the decision will be up to you. We will need to know how long your child will be staying, how they are getting home and a contact number for the time that they will be there. Students will need to have booked in for the sessions so it is not possible just to stay after school without prior organisation.

More information and the inevitable paperwork (!) will follow with the newsletter on the first Friday of term 4.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the school and our students throughout the past term. We appreciate all that you do in the very many ways you do it.

Have a great break from the normal routine and we will see everyone back on Monday 3 October.

Pokémon Cards

To save upsets and changes of minds about the trading and ownership of the precious Pokémon cards we ask that they be kept at home and traded with friends outside school.
Bike Ed Challenge

Congratulations to our wonderful bike riders who competed at the Wellington Bike Challenge at Araluen last Friday. We had two teams entered with two emergency riders.

The competition was very strong and our riders put up very creditable performances. Our Team B came 7th and our Team A placed 3rd, with Heyfield A and Heyfield B teams placing first and second.

The Regional Bike Challenge will be held in October and since each District can send two schools to this event, we will now have our A team competing, which is a wonderful effort.

There were Encouragement Awards for each team and we had Shoshana and Jacob being award winners. Well done to both riders. It was also exciting for our emergency riders – Kiri and Georgia – who were asked to be part of the Araluen Bike Team since two of their riders were unavailable. What a great experience for both them!

Also thanks to the wonderful parent support – their encouragement and assistance was greatly appreciated.

AFL Footy Maths

During the last few weeks of this term the grades 4, 5 & 6 students have been working on various activities related to AFL. They have created excel spreadsheets to record information such as team player names and numbers, classifying player numbers into prime, composite, odd and even categories, listing clubs under their appropriate States and then formulating this information into a pie chart. They also explored the costs of designing and making a banner for their team with the final production being a school footy banner designed and made by all the students. This banner will be on display at Friday’s assembly.

Regional Athletics

We have five students who will travel to Newborough next term (Tuesday 11th October) to compete at the Gippsland Regional Athletics Championships. We wish Alyssa, Mangi, Harry, Madi and Laura lots of luck and congratulate them for their wonderful achievements.

P/1 and 2/3 Swimming

Don’t forget our P/1s and 2/3s begin their swimming program the first week back next term. Students will need bathers, towel and goggles. There is limited time at the pool during the swimming sessions so it would be advisable to have goggles prior to the first session rather than sending money along on the first day. They can be quite tricky to fit as well so it would be best to have that all organised so we make the most of the time in the water.
Grade prep, 1 & 2 at the Aquarium
Stratford Primary School Family & Friends are organising a fun bus trip to Jump and Climb in Traralgon on Friday 30th September.

We have booked a bus and have a limit of 57 seats. Spots on the bus cost $25 per person jumping and $5.00 for accompanying adult or car pool with friends for a cost of $20 per person jumping. We have a limit of 100 people for a jumping session 11am-12pm. Please note this is not for climbing.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

If you are coming on the bus we will meet at Stratford Primary School at 9:40am and the bus will depart at 9:50am. We will return to the school around 1pm.

It is going to be a fun way to end the school holidays. Bring along your own snacks and drink bottle.

If you decide to attend this fun day during the holidays, please contact Emma Brooks on 0409 865 047 to book your place.

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SCHOOL HOLIDAYS FUN
FRIDAY 30th SEPTEMBER
COST IS $20 PER JUMPER
OR COME ON THE BUS FOR $25
LEAVING AT 9:50AM
ADULTS $5.00 FOR BUS

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Bailey
Missing: Parson Russell Terrier
Lost in Sale on Saturday, 10th Sept.
If found, please contact Nichola on 0401081584
Tops Off For Cancer

On Sunday, 18 September, Maffra’s Gippsland Vehicle Collection is hosting its annual cancer research fundraiser, Tops Off For Cancer, with a display of convertible vehicles and a cycle or walk along the Gippsland Plains Rail Trail from the GVC to Tinamba (about 8kms) between 10am and 2pm.

Cost for the Ride/Walk for Cancer is $10 per adult, $5 for kids 15 and under, or $25 for a family of 4. All funds raised from the ride will be split between the Cancer Council Victoria and the Tinamba CFA, who will provide riders and walkers with a cuppa, slice, and a ride back to the GVC if they want it.

Back at the GVC, the Rusty Rockers will be playing and there will be a fantastic display of ‘topless’ vehicles – be they hot rods, soft-tops, sidecars, trikes, bikes or motorbikes, as well as a barbecue and other refreshments for lunch.

So get your family and friends, ride, walk, or just enjoy a great exhibition of vehicles, have a great day out and help us support the defeat of cancer.

If you would like more information, call Kellie on 0429 329 989

Dear Parents

As the school holidays are approaching, you may have plans to travel on Victoria’s roads. Significant rain is expected to fall over much of Victoria over the next few days, which may result in flooding.

Because of this rainfall, there is an increased risk to those travelling on our roads, and it is possible that houses across the State may be impacted as well.

I urge you to heed the following advice from emergency services:

You should never drive through floodwater – it only takes about 15 centimetres of water to lose control of your vehicle.

Drive to the conditions around you and be aware of road hazards such as mud, debris, damaged roads and bridges.

Roads in your area could be damaged by the bad weather so plan your journey and monitor VicTraffic for road condition updates and any road closures, see: Vic Traffic

Never swim, walk or play in floodwater, it is dangerous and may contain hazardous debris or toxins.

If your property is at risk of flooding, please raise belongings onto tables, benches or beds and if you are on a farm, consider moving your livestock to higher ground.

Remain informed with emergency broadcasters to ensure you are up-to-date with the latest conditions and if possible, make sure your neighbours are aware of the situation. For more information, see: Vic Emergency

Many thanks, and have a safe and enjoyable holiday break.
OLD GIPPSTOWN PRESENTS

PIRATES of OLD GIPPSTOWN

DATE: SUNDAY 2ND OCTOBER
TIME: 10AM TILL 2PM
COST: $5 PER PERSON
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL CALL 5127 3082
OR BOOK AT TRYBOOKING.COM

GREAT DAY OUT FOR ALL YEEKE PIRATES
FIND THE TREASURE CHEST TO WIN A PIRATE
FACE PAINTING
PIRATE GAMES
SHOWBAGS
TATTOOS
RIDES

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT BY

HOLIDAY FUN!
Maffra Gymnastics
COME AND PLAY
2016 SEPTEMBER HOLIDAYS

WE ARE RUNNING 4 SESSIONS PER DAY ON TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND FRIDAYS

Sessions times are:
10am, 11am, 12pm & 1pm

1 Hour sessions.
No need to be a member.
For school children and adults.
$10 per person / per session.
Numbers are limited.

Booking are not essential, but will guarantee
you a spot!

TO BOOK – CONTACT THE GYM ON 51411211

Lake Glenmaggie Fishing Festival

FREE REGISTRATION
Saturday 29TH October 2016
8am — Noon Coongulla Hall Gillum Road Coongulla

BBQ Noon-8pm
FREE Twilight Family Entertainment
Fishing for Fun - Face Painting
Free Coloring Competitions
FREE WORKSHOPS
• Casting, Baiting & Knot Tying
• Fly Fishing
• Loan Gear

17 Cash, Medals & Prizes
Mens, Womens, Junior & Nippers
Secret Weights

$500 HEAVIEST FISH
$250 Glenmaggie Caravan Park Entrant HEAVIEST FISH

FISHING - Lake Glenmaggie & Up and Down Macalister River
WEIGH-IN
3.30pm - 5.30pm

ALL WELCOME FROM 3.30PM
NO BYO Alcohol
Kids must be accompanied by an Adult

Another Lake Glenmaggie Community Representative Group Inc Project
ALL Proceeds go to the Lake Glenmaggie Lakeside Improvement Fund