

NEWSLETTER 27 February 2024

Dates for your Diary

FEB	Wed	28	Foundation Day Off		
			26 Feb – 1 March Grade 6 Cluster Camp		
MAR	Fri	1	Swimming	Tue	5
	Wed	6	Library	Fri	8
	Mon	11	Labour Day (no school)	Tue	12
	Wed	13	NAPLAN (Gr 3/5)	Thu	14
	Fri	15	Swimming	Fri	15
	Mon	18	NAPLAN (Gr 3/5)	Tue	19
	Tue	19	Music	Tue	19
	Wed	20	Library	Thu	21
	Thu	21	Room on a Broom (F/1/2)	Fri	22
	Mon	25	Art	Tue	26
	Thu	28	End Term 1 (2:30pm dismissal)		
APR	Mon	15	Term 2 commences	Tue	16
	Wed	17	Library	Fri	19
			16-19 April Grade 3/4/5 Cluster Camp – Outdoor Ed School		

Dear Parents,

Can you please note the following:

Student of the Week

Our congratulations go to the following students who have recently been awarded a Student of the Week Award:

Orlando- for his fantastic effort in persuasive writing

Lewis- for his bar graph work

Rosie- for giving everything a red hot go.

Lily- for her great effort in alliterations.



School Council

At our recent School Council meeting we elected our office bearers for the following

12 months. Our congratulations go to Jo Lambert (President), Geoff Clancy (Vice President) and Justine Nicholls (Secretary). My sincere thanks to each of these for putting themselves to serve on in their respective role.

NAPLAN

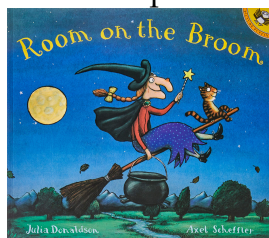
The national assessment of literacy and numeracy skills, NAPLAN, will be commencing shortly. The dates for the various tests are marked above in the calendar. Please make every effort to ensure your child is here on those dates as there is only a short window of time for catchup tests. NAPLAN is only for Grade 3 and 5 students. If you would like any further information about NAPLAN please feel free to see me.

Parents Association

With the departure of Kasey Flanigan from the school we now have a vacancy as the coordinator for the Parents Association. This is by no means an onerous role – simply to coordinate any fundraising activities that we may undertake. If you are interested in taking on this job, or would like any further information, please don't hesitate to contact me.

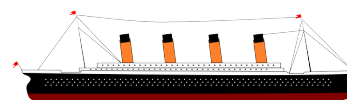
Room on a Broom

The F/1/2 children from across the cluster will be meeting together on Thursday 21 March at the Wangaratta Performing Arts Centre for *Room on a Broom*. This puppet show promises to be very entertaining. Students will be bussed and there is no cost for this performance as we have secured a grant from the King Valley Arts group. Your local excursions permission form will cover this trip.



Titanic Exhibition

Our Grade 3/4/5/6 students are in the midst of writing a persuasive piece on the topic of 'Should artefacts be retrieved from the Titanic wreck site?' We have been learning about this tragedy from 112 years ago and what better way to explore this topic than to go and see the artefacts exhibition that is currently in Melbourne. So, on Friday 22 March the whole school will be taking the train to Melbourne to go to the museum for the artefacts exhibition and also to see a 3D movie at Imax – *Under the Sea 3D*. More information and a permission form will be sent home closer to the date.



Labour Day

A reminder that there is no school on Monday 11 March as it's a Public Holiday in Victoria.

School Values

Our classes have been exploring our school values of HONESTY, RESPONSIBILITY, and RESPECT and what they look like, feel like and sound like at school. As a school we have defined our values as:

HONESTY
RESPONSIBILITY
RESPECT

In our Junior room Doogal wrote that honesty looks like 'being fair in our games'. Abi said honesty feels 'safe with those we can trust'. Rosie drew a picture of honesty sounding like 'telling the truth'. Kara said responsibility can be seen when 'the class is doing what they agreed to do'. Sophie said when she's responsible it makes her feel 'confident and proud'. Orlando said you hear 'please and thank-you' when people are being responsible.

Archie drew a picture of respect looking like 'people being kind'. Sybil wrote that respect is heard at school through 'polite words' and it 'makes me feel happy'.

Welcome

We are delighted to welcome, (from Glenrowan Police Station), Leading Senior Constable Scott Miller. Scott will be a regular Tuesday morning visitor to our school, building connections between the

police services and our school community. He will interact and engage in our regular school activities for about half an hour on Tuesday mornings.

Cooking

Our Grade 3's had their first cooking session today while the Grade 6's were away on camp. And what a feast we made. I'm very confident that they had a great time.



Thank you

Howard Gibson
Principal