



NEWSLETTER 5 October 2016

Dates for your Diary

Oct	7	Grandparents Day & NO OSHC
	8	King Valley Challenge
	10	NO OSHS
	11	NO OSHC
	12	Library
	17	Foundation Transition Day 9-11am
	17	Speech
	19-21	Outdoor Ed Camp
	22	Wedding Catering
	25	School Council 6:30pm
	29	Sheep Dog Trials

VACUUM ROSTER

OCT	7	Cunneen
	14	Cursons
	21	Flanigan
	28	Fullerton
NOV	4	Graham
	11	Hilton

TOILET ROSTER

Wood
A Baker
Boonzaayer
Briggs
Cavalot
Cavicchiolo

MOWING ROSTER

Scott Flanigan
David Boonzaayer
Shannon Murphy
Peter Paccagnan
Tim Northey

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SECURITY SYSTEM

NEW PARENTS PLEASE COME TO SCHOOL TO SEE HOW OUR SECURITY SYSTEM IS DEACTIVATED FOR VACUUMING DUTIES

NOTE If you can't clean on your rostered time, swap with another family. A list of family numbers is in your handbook. Thank you.

Return the key to school when mowing is done. Thank you

Dear Parents,

I trust you all had a lovely break. We have lots of things planned for this term, such as our exciting whole school camp in a couple of weeks. Whilst maybe not as exciting, this term also sees us completing our Strategic Plan. This will outline what we as a school will focus on, in particular for the next three years.

Can you please note the following:

Welcome

A warm welcome to Tania Ivone and Amanda Beach who have started working this week as part of the Greta Valley team. They will be working as integration aides and come to us with an array of experience in this field.

Both Jade and Helen have finished their employment with us and I wish them well in their new endeavours.

Outdoor Ed Camp

A clothing and equipment list will be sent home next week for our

upcoming camping adventure. Everything is set this end I have all my fingers and toes crossed for fine weather! There are a couple of outstanding permission and medical forms that we need returned by the end of this week please. If you have any questions in the meantime, please don't hesitate to ask.

Grandparents Day

Hopefully all our grandparents are looking forward to Friday morning for our Grandparents Day. If you haven't already notified us re attendance can you please do so by tomorrow - we need this for catering purposes. Festivities kick off at 9am and will finish after morning tea around 11:30am.

Soccer Day

Our Soccer Day that was to be held in the last week of last term has been rescheduled for Thursday, 3rd November. More information closer to the time.

OSHC

As previously mentioned, due to unforeseen circumstance there will NOT be any after school care on 7th, 10th or 11th October.

Pie Warmer

A reminder that our Pie Warmer is only used in terms 2 & 3 and as such won't be on this term.

F/1 Sleep Over

Our Foundation/1 students had a great night in the last week of last term for their sleep over - not a lot of sleep initially! Thank you very much to Rosalie for organising this valuable activity for our children. Activities such as this help to develop resilience within your child and is a great prelude to our three day camp.

Bike Ed

Given that we are cycling as part of our Outdoor Ed camp in a fortnight, we have been focusing on Bike Education this week - when we have been able to grab a moment of sunshine. The bikes can go home this Friday 7th October so the children can practice their riding before we head off and returned to us on Monday, 17th October so we can pack them onto the trailers.

Unfortunately we have a number of bikes that have faults - such as brakes, which means they aren't roadworthy. **We must have road worthy bikes for our camp.** We will be contacting you if your child's bike needs attending to.

Strategic Plan

As I mentioned in the introduction, this term sees us having to complete a Strategic Plan. This is the follow on to the Review process that we went through last term and is a basic outline of what will be our key focus over the next three years will be.

I am well on the way to completing this and our two goals will be:

- *To maximise student outcomes in all areas of the curriculum, with a particular focus on Literacy and Numeracy.*
- *Increase student cognitive engagement, social and emotional development and self-directed inquiry.*

The Plan itself once completed will detail specific strategies we will implement to help achieve these goals. There is one key area that the School Council would like your input into the writing of the Strategic Plan - that being our School Values. We do have an existing set of values, however they are far too wordy and not specific for our students. My vision is for our students to be able to articulate what our values are if they were asked. As such we need to keep them simple ... for example 'Respect for Others, Respect for Property and Respect for Environment'. Short and easy to

remember, yet meaningful. So if you have any suggestions please feel free to jot them down and get them either to myself or one of our School Councillors before our next meeting - Tuesday, 25th October. Even better still, come along to our meeting. These meetings are open to all parents.

Thank you

Howard Gibson
Principal

Loose Ends Performance

Below are some thoughts from a number of our Grade 4/5/6 students regarding the Loose Ends performance we all attended yesterday. They had to imagine they were sending their report as a text, and as such they were limited to the number of characters they could use.

At the loose ends workshop I made dominoes in a chain reaction. We had a few problems but it is still cool. Aidan

The play was about friends. The guy was really bored so he made a friend (he actually made it). Josh

Today we went to loose ends. It was about a guy making a friend because he was bored and lonely. Riley

Yesterday The grade 6's went to Moyhu for a workshop. We made a contraption with no electricity. We made lolly cannon and it didn't work because the guy jumped and set it off too early. The contraption went really fast. I liked the lolly canon best. by Alice & Chloe

Today we went to loose ends. He made 3 friends with machines. It was really cool, I loved it. There was magic. Euca

Today we went to loose ends. It was about having friends. I think the man that was performing was very funny. Olivia

Yesterday I was in a group that was working with the exploding balloon it took a while to work out but WE DID IT. Haz

THE BALLAD OF BACKBONE JOE

by The Suitcase Royale

Moyhu Soldiers Memorial Hall

Sunday 6th November, 7.30pm, 55mins

Doors open at 6.30pm (come and enjoy some cheese and wine)- Show starts 7.30pm

Tickets \$20 | Antipasti Platter \$15 | Wine at bar prices

Get Tickets- <http://kingvalleyartshow.com.au/>

Proceeds from this event will support our Kitchen Garden Program - King Valley Cluster Schools

More on The Ballad of Backbone Joe

This internationally acclaimed trio from Melbourne are coming to town riding a murder ballad of junkyard theatre, visual trickery, dark humor and rag'n'bone live music. *The Ballad of Backbone Joe* tells a hilariously daft and gruesome tale of a murder set in a small country town, in their unique, comedic, Mighty Boosh-esque style. Undeclared bare-knuckle boxer Backbone Joe has a right hook "as quick as a spun tea-bag" but repeated blows to the head have left him a bit slow to process little details. Like, did he really kill his wife by throwing her off a bridge? Abattoir owner and fight promoter Messy Dimes Dan is only too happy to fill in the blanks. Can Detective Von Trapp ease poor Joe's troubled mind? When they are not performing, operating their own lights and triggering primitive visual effects, the actors morph into musicians, pick up drums, guitar and double bass and rattle off foot-stompin' street blues from side of stage.

"EVERY once in a while show has the power to beguile its audience with the sheer breadth of its originality. They are superb, four stars." *The Scotsman*

"Jules Verne meets *The League of Gentlemen* in this comic book of macabre characters come to life, five stars." *Broadwaybaby.com*

Time Out Critics Choice" London 2011

Science Night

