PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Wellbeing Expo
Following on from our school’s Resilience Presentation with Beau Vernon, the school will be hosting a Wellbeing Expo to showcase the various ways we are supporting our students and parents/carers in developing resilience. The evening will take place on August 10th at Tarwin Valley Primary School.
We will be
- hearing how our school is developing resilience
- visiting classrooms to hear selected students present child friendly strategies for home and school
- having a Mindfulness session
- understanding how we can offer further support or connect to services

Bring a friend

Child Safe Schools
All Victorian schools are working towards ensuring their school is registered as a Child Safe school. Like all schools, we will have a zero tolerance of child abuse and this involves reviewing, refining and introducing new policies, codes of conduct, practices and processes to provide a safe and secure environment for our students. This includes at school, on excursions and camps, and online. As we make adjustments, we will keep the school community informed through the newsletter and on our website.
Our Visitor and Volunteers Policy is changing requiring all adults working directly with students to have a current Working With Children’s Check (WWCC). In the past, assistance could be ‘under supervision by the teacher’. The new requirement will take place from the next School Council meeting on August 16th 2016.
If you would like to continue assisting with school activities or would like to in the future, please make sure you have a WWCC. (http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/)

Brett Smith

CALENDAR
This Week 27/7 – 3/8
27th July – Beau Vernon Parent Evening, Meeniyan Hall, Supper Room – 7pm
28th July – Book Club orders close COB
29th July – Yr 3-6 Zoo Excursion

Upcoming
10th Aug – Wellbeing Expo for parents/carers
16th Aug – School Council
25th Aug – State Netball Competition

NEWSLETTER ITEMS
The newsletter is compiled on Monday afternoons. All items need to be submitted by 1:50pm to be included.

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS
😊 Zara S for her wonderful planting technique and enthusiasm in helping at lunchtime gardening club.
😊 Phuc H for the massive improvements he has made in his reading. Practice makes perfect!
😊 Darcy K for his focused work during the Grade One literacy block.
😊 Meesha P for dealing with a concern in a mature and problem solving manner.
😊 Alex J for making interesting patterns using colour and shapes and for being kind and considerate when working with a partner.
😊 Tara S for the kindness and thoughtfulness she displays towards others.

HOUSE POINTS Last Week’s Winner: Wattle Overall Winner: Bluegum
The following Community News articles promote community connections and communication. They are not considered school activities.

**Meeniyan Junior Basketball:**
Meeniyan Junior Basketball would like to invite any new players 7 - 17 years to come join our competition. Section 2 & 3, from 4.00pm Friday nights, Section 4 - Wednesday nights. Season starts Friday 5th August. Could all new players or any players not playing or unavailable 1st game please contact Kim 0427346048/56636252 or Darlene 0417640035/56640035. If you played last season you will be automatically put into a team, unless you have already advised us otherwise. Names must be in by Friday 29th July, late names will not be accepted. Teams & times for Section 2, 3 & 4 will be published in the Star newspaper on Tuesday 4th August & on our Website. Reminder: Fees are to be paid up front. Section 1 - $35, Section 2 & 3 - $40, Section 4 - $50. **Registration must be paid online prior to the first game.** (Everyone is due to pay Rego now, unless playing elsewhere). Website - Meeniyan Basketball Association (foxsportspulse), click onto the link under "Register for Meeniyan 2016 Winter Season". Any queries please contact us.

**KidsMatter Food Bank**
The KM action team would like to organise a food bank for families who, due to varying circumstances, may need a little support from those around them. If you would be happy to be contacted with the request to cook a meal, please fill in the form and return it to school.

Name: ________________________  Preferred contact details: ________________________

I am happy to be contacted to provide the following:

- [ ] Main meal – e.g. spag bol, casserole, lasagne etc
- [ ] Pot of soup
- [ ] Something sweet