



# School News

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<b>Supervision Times:</b> 8:15 Morning Bus Duty	8:30-Morning Yard Duty	-4:00 Afternoon Bus Duty

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Parent Consultation Session of New Building Funding

The school has a strict timeline to follow in regards to the \$500,000 grant we received last month. Phase 1 of this process needs to be completed by the end of June. As a result, a parent consultation session will be held next Wednesday night 30<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm in the Shared Space at school. This meeting is vitally important if you would like to hear and have input into the different options before us. All of our decisions will be based on achieving the best outcomes that enable students to learn. Some current buildings will be removed in this project and some will be replaced. The consultation stage will run for the next two weeks so if you are unable to attend the night and would still like to discuss the schools options please see me during this time.

### Compass – Absence Notifications and Teacher Emails

Last Thursday, Tarwin Valley began the process of notifying parents on the day of an unexplained student absence. If absences are not reported prior to 9am, Compass will send an SMS to the registered parent/guardian at 9.45am. All absences should be reported to school by a parent/guardian, preferably by lodging the absence via the Compass App or by phone.

If you arrive late to school, after 9am, please sign your child in at the office and let someone know. If the late child simply goes in to class their teacher may assume they have been to the office, therefore nobody may mark them as present and an SMS would be sent. For planned absences such as holidays or appointments, prior notification from a parent/guardian is appreciated. If you are picking your child up during the day, you do not need to lodge this but you are required to sign them out and back in if they return.

### Teacher Emails

To enable more direct communication with matters involving your child's learning and wellbeing, teacher's emails are now available via the Compass App. Teacher's will endeavour to reply to these messages within 48 hours. For more immediate concerns, please call or see the teacher directly at school. All school based issues should still be directed to either the school email or Principal.

**Gene VanderZalm, Acting Principal**

## CALENDAR

### This week 23/5– 30/5

**24<sup>th</sup> May** – Ticket sales close for Trivia Night  
**25<sup>th</sup> May** – Winter sport Yr 5/6  
**29<sup>th</sup> May** – Yr 3-6 TVPS Cross Country  
**30<sup>th</sup> May** – Parent Consultation Session for new buildings 7pm

### Upcoming

**1<sup>st</sup> June** – Winter sport Yr 5/6  
**2<sup>nd</sup> June** – Trivia Night @ Meeniyah Town Hall  
**8<sup>th</sup> June** – Pupil free day  
**11<sup>th</sup> June** – Queens Birthday (pupil free)

### NEWSLETTER ITEMS

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

## REMINDERS

Cross Country change of date:  
 Years 3-6 will run cross country at the Meeniyah Rec Reserve on **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May**.

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> and Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June are pupil free days.

Year 6-7 Transition Forms are due back to the office this week.



A man was sitting on his couch and searching for the English Channel. How did he find it?

Solution at the end of the newsletter

## CHANGE OF CLOTHES

In recent weeks, we have had a number of children needing a change of clothing. Unfortunately we only have a limited stock of 'spare clothing' at school, which does not include underwear, socks etc. Please consider popping a change of clothes into your child's bag in case of an emergency. With the recent rain, we now have the added problem of a muddy oval. If anyone has any TVPS polo shirts (short or long sleeve) ready for the Op-shop, or navy track pants, could you send to school instead to replenish our emergency supply? Thanks!



### ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

- ☺ **Liam T** for making a very sensible decision to help maintain his learning focus.
- ☺ **Ryker D** for a great contribution to our understanding of learning needs.
- ☺ **Alastair T** for tuning in, working diligently and explaining his thinking in maths.
- ☺ **Angus C** for consistently handing in and completing his reading journal.
- ☺ **Danielle P** for always being switched on to learning and making great connections across subject areas.
- ☺ **Lylah K** for independently finding connections between her school learning and family experiences.
- ☺ **Lilly M** for consistently demonstrating a fantastic attitude to her learning.

### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

- ☺ **Jarvis L** for the focus and composure he demonstrated at Winter Sport under difficult circumstances.

### HOUSE POINTS

**Last week's winner:** Waratah **Overall Winner:** Bluegum

# Ballarat Camp



## The Old Mine

When 5 and 6 were on Ballarat camp we went in an old and creepy mine. My group went right to the end of the mine when we looked back and had no idea where we were. There were so many ways to go we all had a light but me. We couldn't find our way out. We started to call for help. Then Hayley hurt her shoulder on a bit of wood. Advecerly Mr V tuned on his light and took us back to our cabins. It was scary in there. *Farrah.*

## Getting Lost

We walked into the pitch black mine the torches just making it bright enough to see. wondering why there is hazard tap hanging from the roof. imagine spending most of your day in the mines. all the dust making it hard to breath. We got to the end of the mine so we turned back but we keep hitting dead ends we all started screaming for help well at least i did finally we found our way out . it was so much brighter. That's the story of how we got lost in a mine. *Keelie*

## LOLLIE MAKING!!!

When we went to Sovereign Hill we went to a place where a man was making lollies. He made raspberry drops, they made the colour by using-rust for orange, algae for green, charcoal for black, pudu side for blue and beetles for red. We got to try one they were still warm as I put one in my mouth, they were **AMAZING!!** *Ruby*

## Blood on the sovereign cross

We were headed to see something that had affected Australia alot. Blood on the sovereign cross. I had been looking forward t it for days and the night had finally come. The first thing we did was watch a small clip of some miners at night. They were laughing and having a good time. Next we headed off to watch a sound and light show just where we were gold panning earlier that day. It showed us how people got drowned in their mines. Old carriages came down and took us to the next part of our experience. We all got comphy in our chairs and watched what happened. My favourite part was when the gunshots went off. I was asleep then but on the last gunshot i woke up to a carriage coming down that was on fire. When it reached the end it blew up which gave everyone a fright. I loved that part of camp. *Sienna*

## The Blacksmith

My favourite thing about camp was the blacksmith because there was a demonstration. With the demonstration that he did, he made a fire poker thingy that looked quite fancy, he also made other things like a horseshoe with your name on it and I got one. *Jordan*



Solution: Probably a map. It's between England and France