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4th Fortuna Cluster Athletics Year 4-6

5th End of Term 1 Early Finish 2.30pm

Kids Friday Club 2.30-4pm

23rd Tuesday Start of Term 2

Yr 12 Chemistry Earth Ed Excursion

24th ANZAC Ceremony 2.30pm

25th ANZAC Day Holiday

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From the Principal

Tomorrow evening will be an absolute highlight of our 2019 school year with the running of the bi-annual **College Debutante Ball**. As you can see from the 'teaser-photo' above, we have a great deal of couples being presented at this event and a good night is sure to be had by all! The Deb Ball is a 'cash only' event and although we are endeavouring to obtain a wireless eftpos machine for the evening, **PLEASE DO NOT RELY UPON THIS.**

Pre-order tickets are still available until 3:30pm tomorrow. Please make contact with Nathan Twigg in the college office about pre-order tickets or alternatively, purchase them on the night. Ticket prices are as follows—Adults - \$20, Secondary aged students - \$15 and Primary aged students - \$5.

The second issuing of **Compass Progress Reports will be made available to families next Friday.** These progress reports will once again provide a snap-shot of how your child is progressing with their class activities, use of class time, behaviour, homework and any detentions or exits from class.

As mentioned in a Compass News Feed recently, Grocery Hampers will be provided to all college families next Thursday 4th March. These are generously provided by the East Loddon Food Share and Community House volunteers. Families with younger students are encouraged to ensure that they meet buses on Thursday even-

ing in order to ensure that hampers can be carried from the bus in a safe manner.

Anzac Badges are available at the college, with our year 6 students also taking these around to classes most mornings. If you are purchasing an Anzac badge this year, please consider buying it from the college so we are able to support our local RSL. We currently have \$2 and \$5 badges, as well as \$4 bag-tags.

Mrs Sue Allen and I will be accompanying a group of secondary aged students to the 'Ways To Wellbeing' Youth Wellness Summit at La Trobe University next Thursday, and I look forward to not only this terrific event, but also to being able to feedback important information and work on further initiatives in Term 2. Mental health is a major concern in society and I look forward to learning more about the concerns facing our young people today.

A reminder is extended to all college visitors of the requirement to sign-in and sign-out at the college office when attending during school hours. Please also make the college office the first port-of-call if collecting your child/ren during school hours.

A further reminder is extended in regards to **Kids Friday Club** known as KFC which will be held on the last day of term (April 5th) from 2:30pm to 4:00pm.

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Regards, Steve Leed

Literacy & Numeracy

Today we continue our series on questions to ask while reading.

"About the text" questions require students to think about the main features of a text and decisions that the author has made. We can encourage students to dig deeper by asking questions like:

- How can a contents page help us to find information?
- Why did the author use sub-headings?

These questions ask students to think carefully about how a text is created to serve a purpose.

The humble deck of cards

I've written previously about how we can make learning maths fun by finding maths in everyday life. Another way is to play games that encourage students to do maths.

This can begin simply with a deck of cards. You can start by dealing two cards and adding their values together. Four cards could be used to make two digit numbers (e.g. a 3 and 4 card would represent 34). This activity can be adapted for subtraction, multiplication or division.

You can find more ideas for card games here: <https://bit.ly/2YedJmE>



Sarah Clare

Curriculum Learning Specialist



Assistant Principal's news

Ang and Marley struck gold at the Regional Swimming and will now represent us at the State Finals. Yee hah.

The term is flying to a close again and parents should note that buses leave at 2:30 next Friday. Please adjust bus pick up times by 50 minutes to allow for this.

The biggest thing going at the moment is the deb ball. The students had their final practice last night and are really looking forward to being presented to their community. The gym is looking a little less

like a basketball court and a bit more like party town. I hope you can all get along to experience this wonderful night with the debutantes.

One of our hard working VCAL students, Sam B, has offered to make real 'fancy' coffee outside before the doors open, so we will have a pop up coffee stall, whilst you wait for the doors to be opened. To be honest we

don't know the difference between cappuccinos and lattes so everyone will need to order a 'lattacino'. If you like soy milk, you may also be disappointed. Anyway, they will be on sale for \$4. Soft drinks will also be on sale all night.

Free instant coffee and tea will be available inside once the doors open.

See you there.

Notices



KFC – Kids Friday Club – EASTER Celebration

When – Friday April 5th between 2.30 & 4pm

Where – Multipurpose room at the College

Who – Prep – Year 6 children all welcome

What to bring – Gold coin – KFC will provide hot cross buns, fruit, cordial and water for afternoon tea.

Notes - A KFC registration form will be distributed to the children in P-6 prior to April 5th and made available at the office. Please fill in and return to the office along with the bus note and sign out details below.

KFC is an after school kids club for primary aged children that has been running for more than 15 years at East Loddon P-12 College. KFC is a Christian based club sponsored by the Bears Lagoon, Anglican and Dingee Uniting Churches. In 2018 approx 50 children enjoyed coming along to KFC. At KFC we play games, sing, enjoy afternoon tea, learn memory verses, do craft activities, listen to Bible stories and more.

Contacts for enquiries - Robyn Falls 0429368242, Leanne Welsh 0447689309, Judy Mountjoy 0488379222, Wendy Twigg 0427807124, Anne Baker 0429368453



Bus and sign out note...

My child/children will be attending KFC on Friday April 5th 2019. Can you please take his/her name off the bus roll. I will arrange private transport for him/her to be taken home at 4.00pm following KFC.

Names of child/children

Nominated person to sign out

Parent name

Parent signature

Parent phone no Date



Sub-School Updates

Junior

Responsibility

This term we have focussed on Responsibility as one of our four school values. We recognise that at school responsibility is often demonstrated through good organisation skills.

Students demonstrate good organisation skills by:

- Being ready to learn
- Having everything they need to undertake and complete a task
- Making sure they understand their

teacher's/ parent's instructions before they begin work

Prioritising and goal setting
Using time effectively

Planning when they are going to do their homework so they have enough time, completing homework and meeting deadlines

Packing their own school bag (Preps should be starting this if they don't already). It is still a good idea for you to have a last minute check before they head out the door.

Middle

Some people get to achieve great things and have unique opportunities. Often we don't see all the hard work that goes into getting there!

One of those people is Marley A in Year 6. She will soon compete in the State School Swimming Carnival in 50m breaststroke, which is one of her favourite strokes.



Marley started swimming competitively in July 2017, but really started training seriously in 2018.

Currently she trains 4-5 times EACH WEEK in Bendigo. She also does strength and endurance training in the gym.

Apart from the competitive side of swimming, Marley enjoys meeting new people through swimming. She feels like it is another family. Good luck, Marley.

Interview conducted by Gemma and Josh.

Senior

Y9 & 10 Canoe Camp

Wow what an awesome job these students did, paddling 85km in beautiful 30 degree temperatures with a cruisy swim and safe recreational play before setting up camp and tea each night. Thanks SW for paddling with us and ES for helping to drive vehicles.



Well done Jess D An admirable equal second place or something to that affect at the Lions Youth of Year Regional Finals.

Year 10 –12 students

Are you interested in United Nations, peace keeping and saving the world? If yes, there is a model UN conference at Swan Hill College 25th of June. Speak to me by April 3rd.

AROUND ELP

SRC Report

We are holding an out of uniform day next Friday 5th April (last day of term) to fundraise for the Good Friday Appeal.

Please bring a gold coin donation (or more) in exchange for coming to school out of uniform.

SPORTS

Swimming sport

LMR—Swimming

Congratulations to Marley A and Angus A who competed in the Loddon Mallee Region Swimming in Swan Hill last Thursday.

Marley—1st 50m Breaststroke

Angus—1st 50m Butterfly and 3rd in 50m Freestyle.

They will both compete at the State Finals on April 24th in Melbourne.



Fortuna Cluster Athletics:

Thursday 4th April—

Over 40 students from year 4-6 will compete in the cluster athletics at the Bendigo Running track next Thursday 4th April. Notes were sent home today.



GETTING TO KNOW YOUR STAFF

Mr Mckinnon, AKA Macca, is our Technology teacher.

Macca became a teacher due to the connection he had with a particular trade school teacher when he was working as a young man in trade. He was inspired by the way he taught him as it was unlike any teachers he had when he was in school. He recommended that he pursue a career in education and he felt ready for a change but also petrified to leave so much security. He likes the interaction with kids as “there’s never a dull moment” and he strives to be relatable and he enjoys the challenge. Since becoming a teacher, Macca has left the profession but is always drawn back to it “my mother would say I’m a born teacher.” His proudest moment was being nominated by his students as being a great teacher, for a school promotional video.

Canteen Roster

		2019 MARCH/ APRIL	
Fri 29th	Kristie Cullinan Karolyn Campbell		
Mon 1st	Karen Pascoe Nessie Wiltshire	Mon 22nd	Easter Monday Holiday
Tues 2nd	Michelle Diss	Tues 23rd	Sue Pickles
Wed 3rd	Nicky Lawry	Wed 24th	Sue Pickles
Thurs 4th	Sue Pickles	Thurs 25th	ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY
Fri 5th	Sue Pickles	Fri 26th	Mel Primrose Hannah Tweed

Calendar APRIL/ MAY

Mon 1st APRIL	Tues 2nd	Wed 3rd	Thurs 4th	Fri 5th
			Primary Cluster Athletics Years 4-6	Casual Clothes Gold Coin Donation. End of 1st Term Early Finish 2.30pm Kids Friday Club
Mon 22nd APRIL	Tues 23rd	Wed 24th	Thurs 25th	Fri 26th
Easter Monday	Term 2 begins Yr 12 Chemistry Earth Ed Excursion	ANZAC Ceremony 2.30pm	ANZAC Day Holiday	
Mon 29th	Tues 30th	Wed 1st MAY	Thurs 2nd	Fri 3rd
	VCAL Mt Kooyoora Bushwalk	Yr 7/8 Girls Football (TBC) VCAL Mt Kooyoora Bushwalk	P-12 House Cross Country	
Mon 6th	Tues 7th	Wed 8th	Thurs 9th	Fri 10th
				SH Division Cross Country Primary