

Newsletter No 7 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear Family and Friends,

Last week we bid farewell to Mrs Gordon who is now on Maternity leave. We wish Genna & Glenn all the best and look forward to meeting their new addition to their family.



#### **THANK YOU, MR WEST:**

It was very heart warming this morning to come back to smiles and a resonating "bonjour" across the school after my European trip. I can report that despite it all, the Eiffel Tower is still standing! It was wonderful to see family and friends after a three year long absence due to Covid. I can also share that Covid disruptions are still happening in European schools: I supervised my nephew and niece at home while their teachers had Covid. International Travel is not as simple as it used to be (more paperwork due to Covid) but it is great to be able to go overseas again and see what is happening beyond our borders. I would like to thank Rob West for filling in as the Acting Principal and making my trip at all possible. I am extremely grateful indeed.

#### **CROSS COUNTRY & ANZAC CEREMONIES:**

Thank you to Mr West as well as our volunteers for the smooth running of the Cross-Country. Well done to our Grade 6 students for leading the ANZAC assembly at CCS.

#### **PUPIL FREE DAY:**

On Monday, staff will be preparing for our Open Day and Information evening as well as completing Teaching and Learning tasks. Students are not required to attend on this day.

#### **NAPLAN:**

I would like to thank Tania Pigdon and Jaccie Harbinson for their meticulous organisation of NAPLAN for our Grade 3 and 5 students this week.

#### **OPEN DAY & INFORMATION EVENING:**

As part of Education Week, we are looking forward to meeting you at our Open Day and/or Information evening on 25<sup>th</sup> May. All prospective parents are welcome to join us in the evening as well as parents whose child enrolled this year. Please remember to bring a mask given current Covid-19 numbers in our community.

#### **NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS WEEK:**

I would like to acknowledge our wonderful volunteers in the lead up to National Volunteers Week. We are lucky to have volunteers throughout the school through Parent's Club, School Council as well as sport events and classroom and canteen helpers.

Valerie Lobry

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**12**<sup>th</sup> Mitchell Stone **23**<sup>rd</sup> Bailee Stone **17**<sup>th</sup> Reyner Webb **25**<sup>th</sup> Indianna Neivandt

#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

Last Friday we held our annual school cross country at the Cohuna Recreation Reserve. It was terrific to see the effort the children put into their running. There was lots of crowd support for each runner as they approached the finish line. Congratulations to our Grade 6 Champions Dane O'Connell and Zahra Vasko! Well done to Zahra Vasko who also broke the 11 year old girls' record with a time of 12.35 mins. The house scores were very close at the end of the day with Murray in third position on 551 points, Mallee a close second on 552 points and Loddon in first position with 577 points. The parent helpers deserve a huge thanks from everyone, as without them we would not be able to hold the cross country. Thank you also to the staff for their organization and effort. On Tuesday 17th of May we will be sending a contingent of runners to the Mallee Zone Cross Country in Swan Hill.

#### **CANTEEN**

The Canteen is back open this Friday with our normal menu and this week's special of a Chicken Burger with lettuce and mayonnaise. Please remember to send your order on a brown paper bag with your name and class. We also have packs of 100 bags for sale for \$5.

#### **JOIN OUR PARENTS CLUB**

Would you like to be more involved in your child's school? We would love you to consider joining our wonderful Parents Club.

Parents Club facilitate parental participation in their child's school and work together with staff and the school council to ensure the best possible educational outcomes for the benefit of all students.

Parents Club not only benefits students, but also can enrich and contribute to the wellbeing of the whole school community through their positive interactions and support.

Parents participating in the club activities can gain an understanding of the operations of a school, can use, and build on, existing skills and expertise, develop friendships and work collaboratively with other parents interested in supporting the school, whilst helping to raise valuable funds for our school.

If you would like to join our wonderful Parents Club, please come along to their AGM meeting that will be held at the school on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm

#### **CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS**

In regard to Curriculum Contributions please refer to the information in the 2022 Parent Payment Policy that you received last year and at the commencement of this year on Voluntary Financial Contributions and User Pays Basis.

Please note: The Curriculum Contributions supplies your child with the necessary activities, materials and equipment that are listed in the Parent Payment Policy.

Payments can be sent in with your child, made over the phone by contacting the office on 5456 2361 or in person as we can bring our Eftpos machine outside to you.

Years Prep - 2 \$100.00

Years 3 - 6 \$140.00

### BALLARAT & KOOKABURRA CAMPS

A further payment of \$100.00 is required for payment of the Grades 3/4 and 5/6 Ballarat camp by June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022. If you are unsure of the amount you owe for the camp, please contact the school's office.

#### CORRECT SCHOOL UNIFORM

There a number of students wearing incorrect uniform such as jumpers, jackets and incorrect tracksuit pants.

If students arrive at school not wearing their school logo jumper or jacket, they can borrow a school second hand jacket and return it at the end of the day.

#### Please abide by the correct uniform listed below.

Bottle Green & White Polo Shirt
Bottle Green Shorts/Grey Cargo Shorts
Bottle Green Jumper/Bomber Jacket
Cargo Grey Trousers (Not tracksuit pants)
Bottle Green Polyester Bootleg Pants
White/Grey/Black socks
Black school shoes / sandshoes



**Friday, 13**<sup>th</sup> – GRIP Excursion (School Leaders)

School Nurse visit

Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> – Pupil Free day (No students at school)

Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> – Open Day Lunch Orders due back by 12pm

- School Nurse visit

Wednesday, 18th – Parents Club AGM 7pm

Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> - Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> Education Week

Wednesday, 25th - Open Day 11.20am - 1.20pm

Special Lunch Order on this day

- 2023 Prep Information Evening 7pm



OPEN DAY- FOR PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS
AND THE COMMUNITY
Wednesday, 25th May
11.20am - 1.20pm

Principal Tours - Please ring the school on 54562361 to make a booking.

# 2023 PROSPECTIVE PREP PARENT SCHOOL INFORMATION EVENING-

Wednesday, 25th May 7pm-8pm at the school. Child minding facilities will be available and nibbles provided.



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# **COMMUNITY NOTICES**











#### **KERANG RECONCILIATION WEEK** Friday 27 May 2022

Flag raising and Reconciliation Walk I commences from Kerang Council Building, Victoria Street, Kerang

10.15am Walk to Sir John Gorton Library

Smoking Ceremony & Welcome| Storytelling| Q&A with Elders & Typien Kwe Children's Group | School Poster Exhibition

**Morning Tea provided** 

27 MAY - 3 JUNE

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