“Educating successful students, confident and creative individuals, and active and informed citizens”

Calendar (new items highlighted in red)

October

31st Thursday  Free Walk to School Breakfast
BBQ Lunch
Community Walk 2pm

Nov

1st Friday  Grade 5/6 Cricket
4th Monday  Curriculum Day – no students
5th Tuesday  Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
6th – 8th Wed – Fri  Grade 3 and 4 camp
11th Monday  Policy sub-committee meeting
9.30am

13th Wednesday  Grade 5/6 Cricket semi-final
14th – 15th Thurs-Fri  Grade 2 camp to Queenscliff

Dec

13th Friday  Parent’s Club AGM and meeting 9.30am Mackinnon Hall

GOOD ON YOU!

Congratulations to some of the Grade three/four team for earning their pen licence this week! And to the ¾ team as a whole for working so hard.

To the prep/one students for being such good kids this week for Ms. Baird!

To all the grade 5 and 6 students for working so hard in putting on a great disco and raising so much money for a great cause. And to Georgie for helping with the BBQ!

Principal’s Report –Week 4

A huge congratulations to our Junior School Council for their fabulous fundraising efforts last week – Selling loads of Bandanas to support CanTeen Australia, as well as raising funds in support of “Movement for Mia” by organising a fabulous Disco and BBQ lunch with loads of homemade goodies for all to enjoy! I know that the 5/6 team will include more information regarding their efforts and amounts raised in their report below. A lot of planning and organisation both before the day and on the day was required, and it was terrific to see so many of the students involved in ensuring the success of all the events. Well done to the students who baked or brought along homemade food, those who manned stalls, played DJ, and a special thank you to Georgie, Cooper, James and Patrick for cooking the tasty BBQ.

Thank you also to our students and families who brought money along and supported these wonderful causes through their participation – dancing, eating and generally enjoying the
day! Again, it is fabulous to be part of this amazing school community and I am proud to be able to report on such special events driven by such thoughtful and generous students!

CAMPS – Over the next couple of weeks both our Year 3/4 students and Year 2 students will enjoy their respective camps, with Year 3/4 heading to Camp Cooriemungle and Year 2 to Queenscliff. I am looking forward to joining both camps and seeing all the fabulous adventures they will experience, fingers crossed for continued sunshine. Our camps form such an important part of our curriculum and classroom learning at Skipton, and we appreciate the support from families in preparing our students to be part of these. Without a doubt, our camp experiences develop resilience, collaboration and social skills for all our students, as well as building independence through real life experiences. I would like to thank the teachers and acknowledge the additional work they have put into planning and preparing for these camps in order to ensure the best possible experience for our students.

Kind Regards,

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Milly Tapper!

Our fantastic primary school was lucky enough to have a special visitor today to talk about resilience at an elite level. Olympian and Para-Olympian Gold Medalist Table tennis player, Melissa Tapper gave a fantastic speech to an enthralled audience. She also passed around her Gold Medal from the 2018 Commonwealth Games which was a huge hit with the crowd, along with a few lucky students getting to try on her medallions and Olympic uniforms. We very much appreciate Melissa and her dog Duke, taking the time to talk to us and wish Melissa well in her quest for the 2020 Olympics.

JSC Disco

Wow, what a fantastic day we had on Friday! There was some great dance moves and singing. JSC would like to thank everyone for coming and help us raise money for Mia. Without your great support we wouldn’t be able to make a difference in her life. Thank you to Rowan from the Beaufort Butcher for providing the meat for the Barbecue and donating the sausages. Thanks to everyone who donated cakes, slices and ice cream for the disco and to all of the people who were on the homemade stalls. Thank you to Georgie and the grade 6 boys for cooking the barbecue and thanks to the people who brought in lights for the disco. Also a big thanks to Mr. Baker for helping us organise the disco, picking up the food and helping us when needed. We raised $700 with your support so thank you! Thanks JSC
JSC Bandannas
From the 20th to the 25th of October was bandanna week. We sold all of the bandannas which included 26 leftover from last year! From the bandannas, we made an amazing $400. Thank you to everyone who purchased a bandanna for cancer research.
JSC

Walk to School
Tomorrow sees the culmination of our month long walk to school program. Every October morning from 8.55am-9.05am our students have been walking laps of our school track and participating in fitness Fridays. The Corangamite Shire has kindly donated a Walk to School breakfast for after our walk tomorrow where the students will get to enjoy and healthy breakfast of yoghurt, muesli, toast and fresh fruit. At 1.15pm we will also enjoy a free BBQ lunch before participating in a 3km Community walk around Skipton at 2pm. We would love to see a few community members join us for our walk. Thank you to the Corangamite Shire for their donation and thank you to Miss. Pollock for organizing our month of fitness!

Art Report
I still need at least one parent helper for the Prep/1 town drawing trip tomorrow between 11.40pm and 1.00pm, and very welcome to join us for the school BBQ and Town Walk after. Grade Two’s drawing trip has been postponed due to the school breakfast.
Grade 5/6 need to bring in their recycled materials for weaving tomorrow. Thanks Georgie

Police Happenings
There will be a Firearms Course held on Friday the 22nd of November at the Skipton Golf Club. Times TBA and if you have any questions please call Craig Walker on 0400 811 956.
Garden Roster

We ask that each family take a fortnight to come in when convenient and do some gardening. Jobs include mowing, weeding, sweeping paths and a general tidy. It is suggested that the family that is named first be the coordinator of the gardening for that fortnight. Please see Natalie if you require contact details.

29th Oct – 11th Nov: Gavin Corbett, Chris Shady, Anthony Mulcahy, Peta Byrne
12th Nov – 25th Nov: Helen Purvis, Megan Read, Tracey Miller, Sally Wills
26th Nov – 9th Dec: Michelle Liston, Jane Draffin, Kate Medson, Gemma Molloy

Skipton Tennis Club Junior Tennis 2019

Junior tennis will run until Thursday 28th November. The junior program will run from 3.45pm-4.45pm each Thursday at a cost of $5 per child per session. Each family of children must be accompanied by an adult, and payment is on a casual basis (ie. only pay when your children participate). We will not be providing a BBQ, however zooper doopers and drinks will be available as usual.