Principal’s Message

Last week I went with the 3/4s to Melbourne for their urban camp experience. It was a great opportunity for our children to experience our state capital, to learn the layout and names of the key streets and to experience some of the major attractions. One of the highlights was attending ‘School of Rock’, which involves primary-aged children in a major production. A great example of children providing top-quality entertainment. Again I would like to thank the Skipton Community Shop for providing the students with this opportunity. I would also like to say how proud I was of our students’ behaviour, fitness levels (we walked over 43kms) and their eagerness – they are a credit to the town.

This morning we celebrated the end of Walk to School month with a healthy continental breakfast. We also had Trudy and John from the Vic Police speak to us about walking and riding safely to school. Again, the children have been enthusiastic about this program, walking happily around the track every morning. Thanks to Grade 4 for organising this.
Yesterday we had three teams participate in the zone **T20 cricket games.** It was an excellent day of competing against other schools and to witness the skill levels of our students, most of whom spend every recess practising and honing their cricket skills. I was especially proud of the way our students ‘carried’ themselves with good grace in keeping celebrations to an appropriate level. Thanks to all the parents for your support, both on the day and in the backyard. Playing in competitions such as this provides motivation in our students to excel, encourages physical fitness and discipline, builds camaraderie by working towards a common goal, and teaches players how to deal with both success and loss gracefully.

**Drainage and sprinklers** have now been installed in both the large and small ovals. Shortly it will be sown with grass seed and we should have a nice flat and green surface to play on for next year. **Thanks to the PFA** for their fundraising efforts which, combined with funds from the department, has enabled this project to go ahead.

*Calvin Tromp.*

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**School Sickness**

As you may be aware we have had a few cases of gastro at school this week. It is vital to remember that children must be kept home for **at least 24 hours** after their last motion/movement. If your child is feeling unwell, please also keep them home to avoid them passing anything on.

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**Cricket at Victoria Park on Tuesday, 13th November.**

Yesterday 24 of our students participated in the Qualifying round of the Victorian T20 Blast competition. All students were able to play three full games. In the mixed participation team, the 8 students enjoyed their three games, winning one. The Girls’ No. 2 team, playing in the competition section, played extremely well, to win two of their 3 games, just missing qualifying for the final. The Boys’ A team played superbly, to hit an amazing 1093 runs in their three games, and then win the final against Ballarat & Clarendon College by 96 runs. They now join the Girls’ A team in the regional finals next Wednesday at Victoria Park, playing against the winning teams from central, northern and south-western Victoria for place in the State Championships.

*Robin Baker.*
**Parent’s Club Dates to Remember**

Dates for the diary:
Trivia Night is this Friday 16th November. Make sure you have your table together and are studying your general knowledge. Plenty of prizes and great buys available on the night! 7pm for 7:30pm start.
State Election BBQ: Saturday 24th November

**Bakers Delight Sebastopol**
Bakers Delight Sebastopol are also giving our school the opportunity to fundraise using their “Postcard” offer. For only $20 you can get 2 x Hi Fibre Lo GI Loaves, 8 x White Round Rolls, 4 x Finger Buns & 6 x Mini Cheese and Bacon Rolls, with $5 being donated back to the school. As a bonus offer, if you buy 1 High Fibre Lo GI Block loaf you can get 6 free traditional round rolls. Please see Natalie at the office or Margot Barr or Gemma Molloy to purchase your $20 Postcard.

**Junior School Council Bandanna Day**
On Friday 16th November, we are holding our Bandanna Day. Junior School Council are selling Bandannas from next Monday. They are selling for $3 each. This money is going towards Children’s Cancer Research. There are only 60 so get in quickly!

**School Uniform Orders**
A school uniform order has been included with this week’s newsletter. This order must be in by Friday the 23rd of November and will be back by the last day of term. For next year’s grade 6 kids, they will be able to order the Grade 6 polo which will be printed with all student’s names and will be available early next year. A separate letter will explain this further.

**Wild Action Zoo**
Grade 3 and 4 will be visited by the Wild Action Zoo on Wednesday 21st. They will be conducting a workshop on endangered animals and how we can help. The workshop has been generously funded by Lismore Landcare.
**BEAUFORT SHOW ENTRIES.**

Hi to our talented students, anyone interested in entering in the up coming Beaufort Show, 18th November please see Mrs Crosbie.

LEGO, Arts and Craft, Cooking and Photography can be entered. Please note photography entries, we have permission to use 5”x7” photos. That means any entries you may have from earlier in the year. Have to be in it! In the past we have had great results.

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**Garden Roster**

Weeding  *Mowing front lawn and nature strip if needed

Paths cleared and swept * Pressure wash the front steps and undercover area.

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