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

Calendar (new items highlighted in red)

Nov
22nd Thursday Prep/One Late Stay at school
30th Friday State Final for cricket

Dec
3rd Monday Parents Club meeting, 9am. All welcome.
10th Monday School Council 6:00
14th Friday Grade 6 graduation dinner (City Oval)
19th Wednesday School Concert and Graduation Ceremony
20th Thursday Last day of term, 1.30pm finish

Please note: the website calendar has all the dates for the year and is continually updated.

Principal’s Message

Congratulations to our cricket teams who played regional finals yesterday. Our boys did very well, achieving a high run tally, but just missing out on the final by one match. Meanwhile the girls won every match and went on to win the final also, meaning that they will play in the state finals next Friday. This is a great achievement and a result of all their dedication to practising their skills, both at school and home. A note is included today for those wishing to attend the state final games next Friday.

We also had some excellent results at the Beaufort Show from entries submitted by our children. A list of results is published in today’s newsletter. It is great to recognise and celebrate the efforts of all our children in many fields of interest. Thanks to Karen Crosbie for coordinating all our entries.

Yesterday we had Wild Action Zoo present to our 3/4s. The children learnt a lot about our unique fauna and even got to hold many of the animals, including snakes, birds and a koala. They also learned about the importance of biodiversity, habitat protection and threats to our wildlife. This terrific program was provided through a successful grant from Lismore Landcare, and we thank them for including our school in the program.

Last week we had Mooramong Camp and the kids had a great time overall. Thanks to Di, Claire and Gayle for their time and efforts, and the trust for hosting us.
Tonight we have the final event of our camping program, which is the Prep/1 Late Stay. The children are very excited to have this opportunity to be at school for a longer time, and to be able to eat their dinner here as well.

The works on both ovals have now been completed. We have kikuyu grass sown and both drainage and irrigation installed. The next few weeks are critical to get the grass up and established, and so you will see the sprinklers being used to achieve this. Thanks to both Brad McLean (Chops) from Gorst Rural and Ian from Midland Irrigation for their expertise and labour. We anticipate a terrific playing field for the children next year.

Like many schools, we are experiencing problems with gastroenteritis. Be assured that the school is cleaned every day, including toilets, tables and door handles. We also have antibacterial soap in each classroom. This illness is contagious so please if your child gets ill make sure they stay at home for at least 24 hours after the diarrhoea has stopped.

Please can you demonstrate to your children how to thoroughly wash and dry their hands after toileting and before eating. Your cooperation is most appreciated in stopping the spread of the gastro to others.

This Saturday is state election day. Thanks to the PFA for running a BBQ to enable us to participate in the traditional ‘democracy sausage’. The PFA are always up to something in an effort to raise funds to support school programs. Please consider joining them in their efforts. The next meeting is Monday Dec 3rd.

School Council met this week and approved the reviewed Uniform Policy as presented by our Policy Committee. A copy is available on the website, which includes a list of uniform requirements and standards of dress. Thanks to committee members Tracey Miller, Jane Gardner and Victoria Kennedy for their work on this committee. Thanks also to Fiona Meek, who is our Uniform Coordinator, for her assistance in ordering and organising all the uniforms for next year – a big task.

Calvin Tromp.

Woolworths T20 Blast

Yesterday, both Girls and Boys teams went into Ballarat to compete in the Regional Final. The Girls won 3 games against Sacred Heart (293 - 146), Ballarat and Clarendon College (332 - 60) and St Columba's (292 - 99). They made the final and won against Kyneton (247 - 104). The Girls are now off to the State Final next week.

The boys won 2 games and lost 1 only by 26 runs. Unfortunately, they didn’t make the final but had the most runs out of all the teams.

Congratulations to our students for representing Skipton Primary School so well.
Parent’s Club Dates to Remember

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.

Scholastic Book Club – Issue 8

Please return Book Club orders to school by 27th November 2018 and that orders are clearly named with a contact phone number. If paying by cheque, please make cheques payable to “Scholastic Australia”. Books may also be ordered through the Scholastic Loops App which also links to our school rewards. The school earns 20% in Scholastic Rewards from all Book Club orders. These rewards assist our school to obtain free books and additional learning resources.

School Uniform Orders

A school uniform order was included with last 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 has been sent home that explains this further.

Garden Roster

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BEAUFORT SHOW RESULTS

Lego Building Competition
First - George Read

Primary Cookery, Craft & Floral Art.
Prep to Grade 3
Four decorated cupcakes - 2nd Grace Draffin
3rd. Grace Draffin

Grades 4-6
Decorated cake - First prize Holly Draffin.
- Best in Show Holly Draffin.

Grades 4-6
Craft featuring paper. 2 or 3 dimensions. - 2nd Emma Gowans.
- 3rd Sophie Collins.

Photography
Primary School Students.
Ingrid McIntyre-Smith - Primary Student Aggregate, First x two.
- Highly Commended x Two, Encouragement award.
Jordyn Allen. - Best in Show Primary, First x two, Encouragement award.
Holly Draffin. - Highly Commended, Third x two.
Patrick Gowans. - Highly Commended x two.
Bronte Molloy. - Highly Commended
Emma Gowans. - Highly Commended
Bowen Corbett. - Second x two
Sophie Collins. entered,

Secondary School Students
Kate Gowans. - Best in Show, First x two, Encouragement award.
Novice and Open entries, Angela Gowans, Karen Bradshaw, Karen Crosbie. Various awards.

Big, Big thank you to all that entered the Beaufort Show.
Their committee were thrilled to have our entries and look forward to our support. Also a huge thank you on behalf of myself and Lilyana (Beaufort CWA), to Nat Clark, for helping out at late notice for a model for one of our country couture dresses. Lilyana won garment of the day. Karen Crosbie