**Calendar (new items highlighted in red)**

| Dec 9th | Monday | T20 Cricket Final at Junction Oval. |
| Dec 10th | Tuesday | School Council Christmas Dinner |
| Dec 12th | Thursday | Grade 2 Marble day. |
| Dec 13th | Friday | Parent’s Club AGM and meeting 9.30am |
| Dec 13th | Friday | Grade 6 Graduation Dinner |
| Dec 18th | Wednesday | School Concert |
| Dec 19th | Thursday | Last day of term 1.30pm finish |

**GOOD ON YOU!**

Congratulations to our grade 2 students for filling their marble jar!! Rewards to come next Thursday!

**Principal’s Report – Week 9**

**Transition**

Well, it’s that time of the year again where many of our students are preparing themselves for the transition into the next stage of their schooling – whether that be starting the journey in Prep or onto Year 7. We wish our students all the very best as they experience these days designed to settle the nerves a little bit and provide some insight into what lies ahead for them in 2020.

The state transition day is next **Tuesday 10th December**. On this day our Grade 6 students will attend their respective high schools, whilst we welcome our new Foundation students through our doors for their first full day of school. Remaining students will move up into their new grades for next year with their teacher. This is a great opportunity for the new classes to meet, and to start building relationships with their classmates and teachers.

For many, this is an exciting time for students and families. It can be a big step – particularly for those starting prep, or moving to secondary school. Please see the attached link from the Education department regarding some tips on how you can help your child have a positive start to school.


**Congratulations** to the 3/4 team on the wonderful presentations at the Camp Expo last Thursday. Such creativity and originality amongst the models and projects presented, alongside terrific information gathered from their experiences of Port Campbell, The 12 Apostles and their time at Corriemungle – Well Done!

**Thank You** At this time of the year I would like to acknowledge the hard work of our staff in organising and supporting many extracurricular activities and events designed to give our students wonderful opportunities whilst providing ongoing opportunities for our families to be involved in their child’s schooling. From camps and late night stays to Concert to Cricket and Golf events – Thank you to the dedicated staff here at Skipton who make all of it possible for the kids 😊

Good Luck to both our cricket teams in the State Finals next Monday – I am looking forward to seeing the extraordinary talent for myself! Save me a seat on the bus!
Music Update  Due to personal reasons, Kathleen Morris has taken leave and will not be continuing private Music lessons this year. Nor will she be running her music lessons as part of our Specialist program. We are thinking of Kathleen and will keep in touch, and hope to see Music back at Skipton in the future. We thank Kathleen for her enthusiasm and dedication to instilling a love of all that is musical during her time here at Skipton.

Kind Regards,

Bri.

A Lesson! By Addi Corbett  
We all learn our lessons,
   In very different sessions,
But sometimes you don’t realise,
   how lucky you really are,
You should open your eyes,
   And appreciate your life,
Because sometimes the lessons we learn,
   Are not all that firm,
So look into a mirror,
   And you’ll see a lot clearer,
How real you really are,
   Just dig deep,
And you’ll see your lessons go far.

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.

26th Nov – 9th Dec: Michelle Liston, Jane Draffin, Kate Medson, Gemma Molloy  
10th Dec – 23rd Dec: Erin Fletcher, Petrina Phillips, Victoria Kennedy, Natalie Clark  
24th Dec – 27th Jan: School Council reps

Grade Two have recently filled their marble jar and will celebrate with marble day next Thursday 12th December.

We have decided to spend the day by watching a movie in our classroom, visiting the community shop and IGA to say thank you, then lunch and a play at Jubilee park (children bring their own picnic lunch) and hopefully a quick dip at the Skipton pool (ONLY if time and weather permits). A permission form has been sent home to parents today.
A big thank you to Dr. Mohammed for kindly organising a very generous morning tea for our cricket players and coaches to enjoy. It was very much appreciated by all.