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

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Principal’s Report – Week 9

Congratulations - What a fabulous achievement by our Cricketers on Monday! It was an honour and a privilege to watch our students compete, displaying terrific skills as well as great sportsmanship throughout a very long and hot day. Both teams can feel extremely proud of their efforts, look out Cricket Australia…. Skipton is coming!

Thank you – To all of our parents who have volunteered their time in some way throughout the year I would like to say a huge “Thank you”! Whether it be in an official capacity through school council or Parents Club, to offering your time and assistance within the classroom, attending an excursion, baking goodies or cooking a BBQ (the list is endless) - we are extremely grateful for your continued support towards strengthening our school/home relationship.

Merry Christmas & A happy New Year - As this will be our final newsletter for the year, I would like to wish all of our families a very Merry Christmas. May you enjoy special time with your families and friends over the holiday period. Stay safe and we look forward to seeing you all back in the New Year!

Kind Regards, Bri.

SCHOOL CONCERT

Wednesday 18th December
2pm school finish
At Skipton Mechanics Hall
6pm start, doors open 5.30pm
Weather forecast is hot so please make sure students bring water bottles
**School Accounts**

Just a reminder that school accounts should be finalised by next Wednesday the 18th of December please. If you are leaving school or graduating from Skipton with no younger siblings then all monies must be paid to enable your details to be transferred to your Secondary school. If you need an updated statement please let me know.

Thank you. Natalie

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**Boys’ Cricket Team Results**

After yesterday’s State T20 Blast Cricket State Championships, our Skipton Primary School Boys’ team has finished as the second best team in Victoria. After the first three games the Boys’ team reached the semi finals, to defeat the large Williamstown Primary school by 15 runs. In the final, against St Louis, Aspendale, our boys were only 15 runs short of St Louis, by we only took 3 wickets, compared to their 10, so another 35 runs were added to St Louis’ score. It was an amazing effort to be so competitive against a school of 760 students, and we were very proud of the efforts of our team, which included 3 Grade 4 boys, 3 Grade 5 boys and 4 Grade 6 boys.

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**BACK TO BACK TO BACK!**

On Monday, our Girls travelled to Melbourne for the State Final. We played 3 rounds:
St. Mary’s Whittlesea and won 286 - 75
Castlemaine North and won 247 - 114
Horsham and won 225 - 120

We then played in the Semi Final against Williamstown North and won. The girls took 15 wickets - an amazing effort! We made the GRAND FINAL against Glen Waverley Christian College (for the 3rd year in a row) and WON 131 - 96.

From the start of the carnival, there were 1200 teams with over 12,000 girls. Some schools have more children in Grade 6 than we do in our whole school. Our 8 girls are the top 8 girls and the top team in the state. In the past 3 years, the girls have not lost a game. What an achievement!

We are very proud of our girls for the effort they put in. In true Skipton style, they were all so focussed, mature and showed fantastic sportsmanship.

Congratulations, girls!
Amelia Pollock & Robin Baker