



NEWSLETTER

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Monday 13 th August	Pupil Free Day // Staff Professional Development
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Tuesday 21 st August	Chess Competition - Yinnar
5 th – 7 th September.	3/4 Camp Wednesday 5 th - Friday 7 th September.
Thursday 13 th September	F/1 Cultural day at Kurnai College
Monday 5 th November	Pupil Free Day Staff Professional Development

From the Principal

Foundation (Prep) Enrolments for 2019

Enrolments are being accepted for 2019. If you are intending to enrol your child, please come to the office to pick up an enrolment form. If you know of anyone who intends to enrol his or her child at our school, please pass on this message.

Friendship Seat

Over the holidays, we had a sign attached to the seat in the central play area. This seat has been designated as our "Friendship Seat". The purpose is to create a space where children can go if they are feeling lonely or sad. Teachers and students have been asked to be aware of students sitting here so we can provide support. Please discuss this with your child or children. Below are the two main points for discussion. We hope that this space will help to promote our school values by encouraging respect and engagement.

- A place where you can sit if you are lonely or sad, in doing so alerting teachers and other pupils that there might be a problem.
- We can come over and help you sort out any problems you might have.

Swimming Pool

School Council has decided that we will run a silent auction for those who are interested in purchasing the swimming pool (pump included). I encourage interested persons to inspect the pool prior to making a bid. During a **silent auction**, bids are written on a sheet of paper, placed in an envelope and handed in to the office. The auction will finish on Tuesday, 21nd of July. The highest listed bidder wins the item.

Parent Opinion Survey

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is

designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **10-15 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English

Uniform Co-coordinator

We would like to set up a second hand uniform shop at school. This would work by people donating uniforms that they no longer need and we would sell them for \$1.00 per garment. This would provide a cheap means of purchasing uniforms and assist families in need as well as making purchasing uniforms more accessible. If anyone is interested in volunteering some time to set up and run this, we would greatly appreciate your help. Parents would be able to pay at the office for any purchases.

Previewing Learning

This year teachers have been reviewing our maths curriculum to improve the teaching and learning of numeracy for all students. A new strategy will be to preview the oncoming week's learning. These previews will be in each newsletter. We ask that parents engage with the previews and spend time working with your child/children on the topics. This will assist your child in accessing the learning and to make connections with their knowledge.

Susan Duncan

Previewing Learning

Next week in maths, P/1 H.S. will be investigating capacity.

- Children could pour water from one bath-time container into another and predict if one held more than the other.
- They could use measuring cups to help you with cooking
- Play in the sandpit and estimate which container held the most sand.

Grade 2/3 will be doing multiplication/division with the 5's table. Collect data, organise into categories and create displays using lists, tables, picture graphs and simple column graphs, with and without the use of digital technologies.

Grade 3/4 will be focussing on improving their times of automatic response of number. Please ask your child to engage with Mathletics so they practice each day.




The link is below:


<https://community.mathletics.com/signin/#/student>

If your child has lost their password, see the school.

Next week in 5/6T we will be continuing to look at fractions, percentages and decimals. We will be consolidating how to convert fractions to decimals, and how to compare the size of different fractions, decimals and percentages on number lines. To assist your child's learning in next week's maths classes, please encourage them to do some activities by following the link below. This can also be found by searching for number lines and decimals on Khan Academy. <https://www.khanacademy.org/math/arithmetic/arith-decimals/arith-review-decimals-number-line/e/decimals-on-the-number-line-1>

Students of the Week

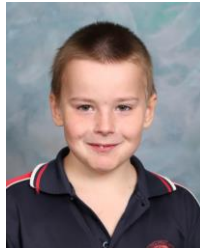
<p>P/1HS</p>  <p>Alby</p>	<p>For demonstrating responsibility for his own learning. Alby redid a piece of work he did not think was his best. His second attempt showed a much higher level of achievement. Well done, Alby.</p>
<p>2/3W</p>  <p>Brendan</p>	<p>Brendan, during the first week of term you have displayed a great attitude to your learning. You have been engaged in all classroom activities and participating enthusiastically. I really liked the positive growth mindset you demonstrated during handwriting in particular. Keep up a positive mindset for the rest of the year!</p>
<p>3/4</p>  <p>Breanna</p>	<p>For writing a thought provoking sonnet. You chose a challenging topic and created some wonderful images.</p>

<p>5/6</p>  <p>Isabella</p>	<p>Well done on showing engagement and aspiration in your learning, Bella. You have been using your time effectively to get organised and complete tasks. You should also be proud of the way that you have been collaborating with others and using good communication to solve any issues that arrive. Keep it up!</p>
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- To everyone who provided and helped with our Bake Sale.
- Mick and Robyn from Boolarra Shop for donating our bread for Breakfast at School.




 <p>Declan</p> <p>Saturday 28th July</p>	<p>Oliver</p>  <p>Saturday 28th July</p>
 <p>Isabella</p> <p>Saturday 28th July</p>	



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I have just received a large quantity of sweet corn seeds. The variety is a yellow Supersweet that was bred by Snowy River Seeds at Orbest; **it is not GM seed**. Seeds have been treated with a fungicide which has been coloured but that is about the only way you can get sweet Corn seed except from small producers. The seeds are available free to anyone that would like some. To give you an idea 50 grams would be about 350+ seeds. I am happy to supply any amount from a few seeds to a kg or more if you can put them to good use. This offer is also available to students and their families. Send me an email with the amount you want and your name and address and I will post them to you, free of charge of course!