

NEWSLETTER

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COMING EVENTS

- Wed 12 August Athletics Carnival (Yr 3-6)
9:00-1:00 p.m. Parent helpers needed PLEASE!
- Mon 17 August School Council
Pancake orders due
- Wed 19 August Pancakes—Yum!
- Mon 24 August Book Club due
- Mon 22 August Last chance to Adopt-A-Book
- Wed 26 August Book Week Parade 9:10 a.m.
Adopted books given out.

Accelerative Integrated Method (AIM)

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Our talented French teacher Sue Kennedy visited four French-speaking Canadian schools when overseas last term and is full of enthusiasm for the AIM program of teaching French. Students are learning more and more

hand-signs to match the French words and it is very impressive to see how quickly they are catching on! At the end of the year we are looking forward to some mini-plays being performed entirely in French!

Attitude To School Survey

All our Year 5 and 6 students completed a survey last term which measures their attitude to school. There is a series of statements which the children must rate on either a 5 or 7 point scale. We are really pleased with our results which were all above the state average. Our students are saying that they feel really positive at our school. In particular the areas of teacher effectiveness, learning confidence, student morale and classroom behaviour rated very highly. The extent to which students feel they are safe from bullying and harassment also rated highly. Our Social Skills program and strong zero tolerance of bullying is obviously working. Thank you to our families who are reinforcing these positive messages at home.

House Athletics (Yr 3-6)

Good luck to all our athletes in next week's Athletics Carnival being held on Wednesday morning. A reminder that children can wear the colours of their House if they want to but no singlet tops. Wear a jumper and track-suit pants over your shorts and t-shirt so that you have something warm to put on between events—you will get hot when you are running though. You absolutely must bring a bottle of water which can be re-filled at the Little Athletics Oval and a healthy snack. We will be back at school for lunch. House athletics is an important part of our school curriculum and all children in Years 3-6 are expected to participate.

Congratulations to our Weekly Award Winners - Your certificate will be presented at Monday's Assembly

Rm. 1	Jayde	Great reading and sequencing sentence strips.
Rm. 2	Larni	Putting great effort into our daily runs.
Rm. 3	Bianca	Making a tremendous effort in swimming.
Rm. 4	Jacob	Showing enthusiasm and enjoyment during reading tasks.
Rm. 5	Mia	Showing a great attitude towards her learning.
Rm. 6	Maleek	Having an amazing week.
Rm. 9	Chantelle	Adding fractions with different denominators
Rm.10	Bree	Success in reading and writing.
Rm.11	Tyron	Having a go at all tasks independently.
Art	Jessica	Making a fantastic clay plate.
P.E.	Madison	Success in High Jump

It's not about winning. It's about "having a go" and "keep on trying"! If you can help on the day (and we need LOTS of helpers) please fill out the form at the end of the Newsletter and send it to school on Monday.

Congratulations to our Choir who sang magnificently at the Yarram Eisteddfod yesterday. It was an extremely high standard of competition with nine choirs competing. Our Choir received an Honourable Mention. Congratulations also to all the children on their fantastic behaviour throughout the morning. Our Concert Band was competing in the Yarram Eisteddfod today and we will let you know how they went next week.

Welcome to Darryl (Yr 3) who joined Mrs Riley's class this week. We hope you enjoy being at Guthridge!

Book Week 22-29 August

Adopt-A-Book

Thank you to those families who have already filled out the adoption papers and sent along their \$5 or \$10! Imagine having a book in our library that has YOUR name in it! Our target is for 100 brand new books and many are already on display in the cabinet near the library. If you want to adopt more than one book, more forms can be collected from the office. Orders must be back by Monday 24 August.

Book Week Dress-Up Parade Wednesday 26 Aug

Grab your favourite book, dress up as a character from it and help us celebrate Book Week. There are SO many wonderful books and SO many wonderful characters. It's all up to your imagination! After our Grand Parade at 9:10 a.m. we will be presenting all our adopted books to each family and then they can proudly take them down to the library.

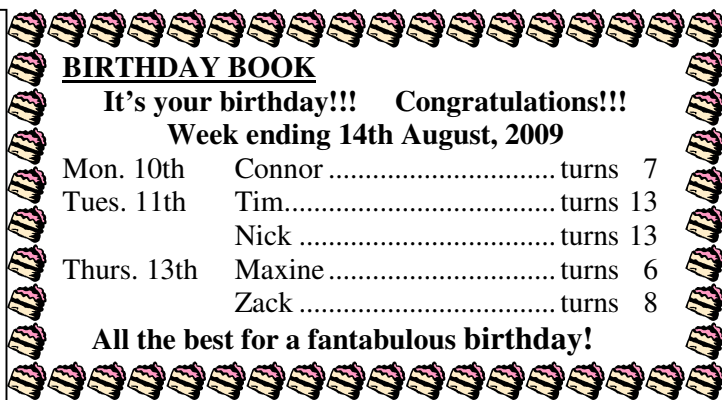
Student Well-Being (Amanda Beer)

Thanks! Thanks! Thanks!

A big thank you to all the wonderful parents who donate uniforms, shoes, socks, track pants and all kinds of wonderful things to pass on to others in our school community. Your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated and your goodies always go to grateful homes.

Second Hand Uniforms

Amanda has second hand fleecy tops, jackets and some other items for sale but be quick as sizes are limited. Tops are \$10 and Jackets \$12. These prices are crazy and these



BIRTHDAY BOOK

It's your birthday!!! Congratulations!!!

Week ending 14th August, 2009

Mon. 10th	Connor	turns	7
Tues. 11th	Tim.....	turns	13
	Nick	turns	13
Thurs. 13th	Maxine	turns	6
	Zack	turns	8

All the best for a fantabulous birthday!

super bargains will finish soon. See Amanda on Monday Tuesday or Wednesday.

Groovy Grannies will be starting in the library next Tuesday at lunch time and run for six weeks. You will need to see Amanda at Breakfast Club to get a Purple Pass. The Purple Pass will allow you into the library where six Grannies will be knitting up a storm, reading stories, making stuff and generally being fabulous. So come in and join in the fun. But remember numbers are limited so you need to get your pass at Breakfast Club **before** you come. If you have any spare wool, knitting needles (the bigger the better) etc that is looking for a new home – please feel free to donate it to our knitters!!!. Once again all donations can be left in Amanda's room.

Pancakes ... yum!

Pancake order forms went home on Wednesday. Money and order must be back by 9:00 a.m. Monday 17 August. No late orders can be accepted.

Community News

Wellington Special Needs Network

Meeting Mon Aug 17 at Legends for dinner (6:30 p.m.) followed by guest speaker, Deb Brown who will be talking about Challenging Behaviours.

Sale College Chaplaincy Committee

Car Boot/ Garage Sale.

Guthridge Campus Sat 8th Aug 8.30am.

Sites \$10, to book ph. 5144 3711

Donations can be taken prior, larger items can be collected

Sale Junior Fire Brigade

Open to children aged 11-16 years as at 15 November 2009. Free registration. Come along to the information and demonstration night in Raymond Street on Wed 19 August commencing at 7:00 p.m. Great for taking up a challenge and playing team sports! Further inquiries call 51445774.

HOUSE ATHLETICS, YEARS 3 - 6, WEDNESDAY, 12TH AUGUST

I am able to assist at the House Athletics at the Little Athletics Oval (Dawson Street) on Wednesday, 12th August (9:15 to 12:15)

NAME: _____ PHONE NO: _____

CHILD'S NAME: _____ ROOM: _____