

GUTHRIDGE NEWS

GUTHRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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COMING EVENTS

- Mon 27 July** Bingo Night—Greyhound Club Eyes Down 7:30 p.m.
- Mon 3 Aug** Parents' Club/Fete meeting 9:15 a.m.
- Thurs 6 Aug** Yarram Eisteddfod (Choir)
Depends on possible change of School Photo date.
- Fri 7 Aug** Yarram Eisteddfod (Concert Band)
- 10-21 August** Adopt-A-Book Program—
which book will your family adopt?

Student Code of Conduct

Our school has high expectations of its students in terms of behaviour. Students have rights and they also have responsibilities. When students choose to ignore school or class rules they know that there will be consequences. Attached to this newsletter is the Guthridge Primary School Student Code of Conduct which was endorsed by School Council on Monday night. Teachers will be reviewing this with their students next week. Please read it carefully and support us by discussing it with your child(ren).

Extra Play

The vast majority of our children display fantastic behaviour in the playground. They have great “getting along” skills, know how to share, take turns and are just nice to be around. We like to

acknowledge this wonderful behaviour with an extra fifteen minutes of play time every two weeks on Friday afternoon for those children who have not had their names recorded in the yard duty folders (which is just about everyone!). Well done!

Inter-School Sports

Last Tuesday in perfect weather we had senior students representing our school in soccer, netball and football. The children are to be congratulated on their fantastic “have a go” and “keep trying” attitude and it was wonderful to see them playing fairly and as good sports. The netballers won their consolation final placing them third in their division. The all-girls soccer team also came third. Despite trying very hard, our footballers found the competition quite tough. Everyone was very tired by the end of the day. Thank you to Wendy Morgan, Tiff Bartram, Geoff Avery and Jan Noble who supervised our sporting stars.

Production

Last Monday afternoon, teachers discussed at length whether or not we would be able to have a Production this year. Even though we have the use of the Hall, we will not have any of the rooms in the old building (which is about to be demolished). This building was used as a waiting room for the cast as it was right next to the hall and was also used for costume changes and make-up application. Every other available space (including the garage

Congratulations to our Learning Heroes - Your certificate will be presented at Monday's Assembly

Rm. 2	Maxine	Reading and touching the words.
Rm. 3	Roland	An improvement in his reading.
Rm. 4	Toby	Writing a great fairy tale.
Rm. 5	Maddy	Writing a fantastic narrative about The Three Little Penguins.
Rm. 6	Haarmoni	Trying her hardest at interschool sport.
Rm. 9	Sarah	Creating Wordle and adding fractions.
Rm.10	Joshua	An enthusiastic approach to his work.
Rm.11	Isabelle	Completing her maths tasks independently.
Art	Mitchell	Creating a fabulous chicken for Book Week.
P.E.	Maxine	Joining in all the activities and trying to do her best.
L.O.T.E.	Isabel	For being a Learning Hero in L.O.T.E.

and sheds) is being used to store furniture and equipment from the old building. In other words, we are literally packed to the rafters. Because of the lack of infrastructure needed to maintain the high quality expected of a Guthridge Primary School production, we have reluctantly decided not to have one this year. This decision was unanimously endorsed by School Council on Monday evening. Students were informed of this decision on Wednesday and had the opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions. Although there was some disappointment, they could understand the reasoning behind the decision. Instead we are looking forward to having a larger scale end-of-year concert where our senior students (and junior students) will be able to show-case their amazing talents.

Making a Difference (from Amanda Beer, Student Wellbeing Officer)

Did you know that all our older style school uniforms have been sent overseas to help kids in other countries like Timor Leste? These children attend schools in open wooden buildings like sheds with dirt floors. Sometimes these schools don't even have water or electricity. Most of the children are being cared for by nuns because their parents have died.

The teachers at these schools are so excited to get our shirts, shorts, dresses and hats. The Principal in charge of these small schools was very excited and wanted to let us know that now his children would have uniforms! We have sent over 400 items of clothing to these missions – including bundles of books.

Did you also know that our old take-home books have not only been sent to schools in Timor Leste, but Rwanda and Papua New Guinea as well? It's just another way one school can make a big difference. Guthridge Primary School has been busy helping our own community as well. We have donated boxes of craft items, school readers and odd bits and pieces from the art room to State Wide Autistic Service in Gippsland. This agency continues the further education and support services to adults with an intellectual disability and are based in Sale and the Latrobe Valley. All the organizations who have received unwanted goods from our school have been extremely grateful!

On Time/Every Time June Winners

Congratulations to Ms Bartram's Year 5/6 class who had the highest percentage of children On Time/Every Time for June. We still have a handful of children who are consistently late in the morning. This is valuable learning time that is being missed. Assembly starts at 8:50 a.m. on Monday morning. Those children who arrive late to Assembly will be

BIRTHDAY BOOK
It's your birthday!!! Congratulations!!!
Week ending 31st July, 2009

Sun. 26th	Levi.....	turns	7
Tues. 28th	Mitchell.....	turns	12
Wed. 29th	Art	turns	13

All the best for a fantabulous birthday!

seated behind the other children so as not to disrupt proceedings.

2010 Enrolments

If you know of any families wishing to enrol their child(ren) with us next year, could you please urge them to complete an enrolment form now. We need to give an indication of 2010 projected numbers to the Department of Education on 7 August and sometimes it feels like guess work! Offers for the 2010 Modified Prep class will be made next week and we don't want anyone to miss out.

Active After School Program

We have vacancies in our Wednesday (Yr 3-6) program. Active After School is offered free, is fully supervised and runs until 4:30 p.m. The emphasis is on having lots of fun while keeping fit and healthy. Please see Sue Burnett if interested.

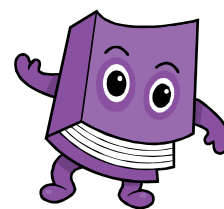
Parents' Club News

Greyhound Bingo Night Monday 27 July

Come along for some fun on Monday night. Parents' Club has some fabulous prizes for the raffle and we receive a percentage of the takings on the night. Eyes down at 7:30 p.m.

Adopt-A-Book Program

100 new library books is our target. Families can choose to adopt either a \$5 or a \$10 book for our library.



Adoption Certificates will be presented during Book Week and a template acknowledging each family's sponsorship will be placed in the book adopted. Books will be on display for purchase from 10-21 August. Thank you to Sarah Neal who is coordinating our Adopt-A-Book Program.

Fete

Yes! We are having one in Term 4. Our first official fete meeting will be on Monday 3 August straight after Assembly. We would love to hear your ideas. This year we have an enthusiastic group of ladies who are going to coordinate the fete—the more the merrier! Hint! Hint!