



NEWSLETTER

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COMING EVENTS

Mon 14 Sep	“High School Musical 2” note and money due
Tues 15 Sep	Fun food orders due 9:00 a.m.
Wed 16 Sep	“High School Musical 2” - Maffra Memorial Hall Parents’ Club meets 9:00 a.m.
Fri 18 Sep	Yr 3/4 camp deposit due Footy dress-up day Hot dog/sundae lunch Last day of term 2:15 finish
Mon 5 Oct	First Day of Term 3 Assembly at 8:50 a.m.

New Playground Equipment

While our Preps-Year 2s were off in Melbourne having a fabulous time and behaving perfectly on Wednesday, more Junior playground equipment suddenly appeared! We are sure the Junior students will enjoy playing on the tubular slide in the boat frame as well as the new stepping blocks. A new sand-pit is also being erected for our senior students. Funding for this additional play equipment was made possible through the Federal Government’s School Pride grant.

Building Project Update.

We had hoped to be well under-way with our new building project this term. Our senior classes have now moved into the portables and it is a credit to our teaching staff at just how engaging they have

made the rooms already. Our latest advice is that the contractors have to firm up the quote for demolition and construction. Hopefully demolition of the old building will commence in mid-October. It’s taken a long time for things to start to happen, but many schools are experiencing delays. It will all be worth it once our 6 new classrooms and additional learning areas are completed.

For Sale

We have some old steel cupboards and shelving which would be perfect for a shed. There are also a few low brown-topped student desks/chairs and teachers’ desks. Prices are very very cheap (i.e. most \$5 and under). Contact Geoff Avery if interested. Furniture would have to be collected by Thursday afternoon. There is also a set of cupboards fixed to the wall for removal. Cash only. First in, first served.

Well done Parents’ Club

Parents’ Club continues to go from strength to strength and thanks to your support has raised a considerable amount of money so far this year. This money will be put to good use in refurbishing our new building when it is completed. Term 3 fundraising: Pancake Day \$429.57, Bingo Night \$611, Adopt A Book \$890, Fathers Day stall \$524. The total raised so far this year for the benefit of students at this school is \$8545.45! This is an absolutely fantastic effort and full credit to Parents’

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

Rm. 1	Jayde	His amazing knowledge about dinosaurs.
Rm. 2	Thomas	Showing great interest in our dinosaur theme and making an amazing parasaurolophus biscuit.
Rm. 5	Tyler	Always trying his hardest and concentrating on the presentation of his work.
Rm. 6	Madison	Trying her hardest to make connections when reading.
Rm. 9	Hayden	Maturity and responsibility to his learning tasks.
Rm.10	Debra	Proof reading and editing
Rm.11	Darryl Elijah	Bouncing back and moving on from a difficult situation. Completing all tasks in class with a great attitude.
Art	Chloe	Creating a fabulous fairytale castle.
L.O.T.E.	Isabella	Fantastic play reading in French.

Club for being able to provide these fund-raising events at reasonable prices for our school community.

Disney's High School Musical 2—Wednesday

Year 1-6 children have the opportunity to travel by bus to see Maffra P.S.'s "Disney's High School Musical 2". This subsidised excursion will only cost \$2, but money and note must be received by 9:00 a.m. Monday morning as buses must be ordered.

Year 3/4 Camp

A reminder to parents that the \$25 deposit for the Year 3/4 camp must be received by Friday 18 September. Late payments will not be accepted.

Friday Footy Day

Come dressed in your team's favourite colours or as an umpire or just wear school uniform if you're not particularly into football. Parents' Club is catering for a hotdog and ice-cream sundae lunch and orders are due by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday 15 September. There will be a footy parade from 1:45 p.m. (on the netball court, weather permitting) and remember there is an early finish next week of 2:15 p.m.

Term 4 Hats

A reminder that hats are compulsory for all students in Terms 1 and 4. This is part of our school's SunSmart policy and is intended to keep our students safe from the very harmful effects of u.v. rays. Sunscreen is provided in each classroom. If you do not want your child to use this sunscreen, please notify your child's teacher. Hats can be purchased from the uniform shop for \$8 on Monday and Wednesday mornings. Hats with writing on the outer brim or crown are not acceptable and will need to be replaced. Children without hats will have to play in the shade.

New Students

A warm welcome to Talitha and Lyndon who started school with us this week. We really hope you enjoy the fabulous teaching and learning at our school.

No Breakfast Club/Groovy Grannies next week

As our Student Wellbeing Officer, Amanda Beer is on leave next week, there will be no Breakfast club or Groovy Grannies. Did you know that this term 551 breakfasts have been served on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays? So far 1665 breakfasts have been served this year! An enormous thank you to Red Cross, Amanda Beer and helpers Carmel and Ron who provide this fabulous service. Breakfast Club and Groovy Grannies will resume the first Tuesday of next term.

BIRTHDAY BOOK

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

Week ending 18th September, 2009

Sun. 13th	..... turns	7
	..... turns	10
Mon. 14th	..... turns	10
	..... turns	10
Tues. 15th	..... turns	9
	..... turns	10
Thurs. 17th	Kalan..... turns	6
	Mitchell..... turns	12
Fri. 18th	Madison..... turns	11

All the best for a fantabulous birthday!

Indigenous Cultural Awareness

Next term our whole school will be learning about our aboriginal culture. Teachers have met with local indigenous people and it has been fascinating to learn more about this very rich culture (over 40,000 years old!). One of our core values is "Show respect" and it is extremely important that our students are growing up as tolerant, accepting individuals who value cultural differences. Next term, Student Council will be selling wrist bands which say "Respect Culture" for \$2. We only have limited numbers, so children will have to get in early to avoid missing out. But remember ... they won't be on sale until next term.

Thank You Mrs Riley

We have been extremely fortunate to have Julie Riley replacing Kiley Cunningham last term and Sue Tudor this term. This has allowed for continuity in teaching and learning in both of the Year 3/4 classes. Julie has had much to contribute to our staff and students during these two terms and we will miss her! All the best Mrs Riley and thanks so much!

Goodbye Jenny Williams

Jenny Williams has been a much valued integration aide at Guthridge Primary School for nearly twenty years and is retiring at the end of this term. Her commitment to the many children with whom she has worked has been much appreciated and we hope she has many happy memories of her time at Guthridge. On behalf of our school community we wish Jenny a very long and happy retirement and thank her for the very many ways in which she has made a difference at our school.

Soccer

If your child is interested in playing soccer next term, please call in at the Office for further information.

As there will not be a newsletter next week, we hope all our students have a happy and safe holiday.