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MINI NEWSLETTER

- 1. Grade 3/4 Camp (Echuca) Medical and permission forms will go home this week and we hope to confirm the cost for this camp this week as well. The camp is scheduled for Monday 16th March to Wednesday 18th March. More specific details will be in the full edition of the newsletter next week.
- 2. Kyabram Fauna Park This excursion for students in Grades F-2 is on Thursday 27th February. Permission forms went home last week and the cost for this program is \$20. Can permission forms and payments be returned ASAP please. Other specific details were in last week's full edition of the newsletter leaving at 9am and returning at 3pm.
- 3. F-2 Performance Students in Grades F-2 will be attending the performance of "The Gruffalo's Child" at Eastbank in Shepparton on Friday 13th March. The show begins at 1pm, so we anticipate leaving school at 12.15pm and returning at approximately 2.30pm. The cost for this program is \$12. Permission forms went home last week could these be returned ASAP along with payments please.
- 4. BioLab Excursion Students in Grades 5/6 will be attending this excursion on Monday 2nd March. There is no cost for this program and specific details were published in last week's full edition of the newsletter, Permission forms went home last week can these be returned ASAP please.
- 5. Athletic Sports / Fosbury Flop Forms Our Athletic Sports day is on for all students in Grades F-2 on Friday 20th March. There is a back up day planned for Monday 23rd March if we have inclement weather on the Friday. The cost for this day is \$8 per family and permission forms will go home soon. Last week, Fosbury Flop permission forms went home for all students. This is just for the high jump could these be returned ASAP please. More information will be in a full edition of the newsletter families will need to drive children to and from the McEwen Reserve in Shepparton for this sports day.
- 6. Red Balloon Day This is planned for Friday 28th February more details will follow after the Parents' Club Meeting next week.
- 7. Clean Up Australia Day This will take place on Friday 28th February in the morning before 11am. At the moment, this will only involve senior students in Grades 3-6 because of our Specialist program on this day.
- 8. School iPads (BYOD Program) No students are to take home any IT equipment which belongs to the school. This may include iPads, netbooks or iPods. Children in Grades 5/6 who own their devices bring these to school and then take them home at the end of the day.
- 9. Forms to Return (last reminder) A number of forms went home in a plastic pocket a few weeks ago. Could these be returned by this Friday to assist with our start of year processes. These include: the green Confidential Student Information Details & Consent Form, Child Safe Code of Conduct, Chaplaincy Consent Form and the MARC Borrowing agreement.
- 10. School Nurse Program All Foundation families should have received a form in a large white envelope in regard to the School Nurse Program. Please complete and return this form ASAP. An alternative is just to return Page 5 (consent form) these can be collected from the office if needed.
- 11. MARC Borrowing Agreements Due A reminder that these need to be returned in order for students to borrow from the MARC Van. All students must have their green reader bag with them or a library bag in order to borrow books from the MARC Van. Our first visit was held last Wednesday 12th February.
- 12. School Council The first School Council meeting for the year has been rescheduled to Wednesday 19th February. There are a couple of terms which have elapsed, so if anyone is keen to come on this committee for the year (8 meetings) consult with me ASAP please.
- 13. Parents' Club Meeting The first meeting for the year (AGM), will be held on Monday 24th February at 9am. All are invited and we look forward to some new members coming on board this year and helping out.
- 14. Class Dojo We hope that everyone can now access Class Dojo and new families have been invited to join. There will be many class stories shared throughout the year and we look forward to having this enhance the link between home and school.
- 15. Flexibuzz A reminder to all families to join the new boxes for 2020. Classroom boxes from last year have been archived and are no longer used.
- 16. <u>Grade Expert Parent Portal</u> New families have been invited to join this for 2020. Reports, awards...etc will be sent out via the Parent Portal and all parents are invited to join this resource. Contact me if you require a new password to be sent out to enable you to access the Parent Portal.
- 17. Foundation (Prep) Rest Days This continues on Wednesday. The first whole week for Foundation will begin on Tuesday 10th March after the Labour Day public holiday.

 18. Contacting Staff Outside School Hours / Weekends It is important for the school community to respect the personal time of staff and we would prefer that families contact staff during school hours first if possible. We will also endeavour to respect everyone's time by limiting Class Dojo and Flexibuzz alerts to school days from 8am to 5pm.
- 19. Northerners Cricket (Use of Toilets) A reminder to any school families who are using the school facilities during cricket to make sure the toilets are kept clean and water is not left running, lights are turned off and bins are put away. Please ensure any rubbish is picked up as well and placed in the correct bin. All toilet doors x5 need to be locked as well.
- 20. Sign In / WWCC / Child Safe Code of Conduct There has been a sign placed at the office to remind people to sign in when they visit the school and to present their WWCC if they have one. Any volunteers must sign our Child Safe Code of Conduct be prepared for an EM drill at any time.
- 21. Specialist Program Science and Art will be on Wednesday with Italian on Friday.
- 22. Bravehearts Show This is now on Tuesday 17th March for students in Grades F-2. Parents are welcome to come along to the show if they wish from 2.00pm more specific details are in the large newsletter.
- 23. Food Alerts It would be appreciated if any sharing of food (ie: birthdays) are given to staff with plenty of notice in fairness to other family members who may have to make alternative arrangements.
- 24. OSH Care If you would like a casual or permanent position please contact the school ASAP. A reminder about OSH Care enrolment forms which must be filled in for families to use the service this is mandated. OSH Care costs are \$25 for a full session and \$15 for a session up to 4.30pm, although these are a lot cheaper if eligible for the Child Care Subsidy.
- 25. School Payments When making payment to the school bank account for multiple items, please make one direct deposit for the total amount with your family name listed and either email or FlexiBuzz a message to the office detailing the breakdown of the payment.
- 26. School Uniform Reminder A uniform dress code reinforces in students a pride in their own appearance, instils recognition of themselves as an integral part of the school community, and assists in developing pride in representing their school. A reminder to all families to reinforce this please.
- 27. Absences Any students away from school must be accounted for. We would appreciate a formal note or phone call in regard to any absences that occur throughout the year (ie: late arrivals, morning / afternoon or whole day absences). Absences can be submitted via Flexibuzz as well. Thank you to the many families who have responded to the absences so far this year.
- 28. Readers Workshop A reminder that we begin the Readers Workshop at 9am and it would be appreciated if students are punctual at school each morning
- 29. Photos (Shep News) The Shepparton News will be taking Foundation (Prep) photos on Monday 24th February at 10.45am
- 30. Men's Shed Permission forms will go home this week for visits across the road for 2020. Can these be returned ASAP please.

David Brodie (Principal)