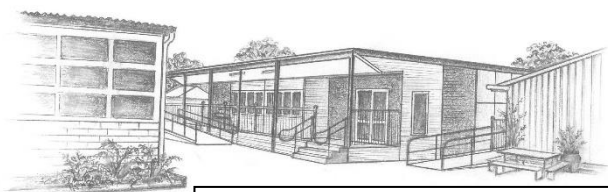


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SCHOOL VALUES - RESPECT, HONESTY & INCLUSION

- 1. Camp** - A big thank you to all staff and students that attended the camp last week at 15 Mile Creek. Everyone had a rewarding experience and plenty of activities allowed our children to get out of their comfort zone. We were very fortunate with the health and wellbeing of everyone - a big thank you to families for being compliant with this. We anticipate that a future camp may continue to be for Grades 3-6 and are hopeful of a Grade 2 Sleepover being held later on in the year - more details to follow.
- 2. Colour Run / Munch N Crunch** - This is scheduled for this Friday 11th March. Consent forms need to be returned ASAP for any students wishing to participate in this fun afternoon which will begin at 2pm and conclude at around 3pm. All specific details have been published on normal communication platforms. As always, helpers are needed for the following: from 11am to cook and serve lunch, from midday to set up obstacles, from 2pm to throw colour, from 3.30pm to pack up. If you are available to assist, please contact the school or Shareena Pearce on 0417347077.
- 3. Munch N Crunch** - The Parents' Club are planning on holding a sausage sizzle on Friday 11th March to coincide with the Colour Run. Orders have now closed.
- 4. Student Led Conferences** - These will be held on Monday 28th March beginning at 10am and bookings will be available at 3pm on Tuesday 15th March when the full edition of the newsletter is available on Skool Loop. These bookings close on Thursday 24th March at 3pm - contact class teachers via Class Dojo if an alternative time needs to be made please.
- 5. GRIP Conference** - School Captains and Vice Captains will be attending this conference with Mr Brodie at the Eastbank Centre in Shepparton on Monday 21st March. Permission forms will go home soon for Tait, Benjamin, Ellie and Lexie and all students will travel in Mr Brodie's car leaving at 8.30am sharp.
- 6. Athletic Sports** - The EGPSSA athletic sports will be held on Friday, 25th March at McEwen Reserve, Shepparton (Little Athletics track beside the Sports Stadium). A back up day is planned for Friday 29th April if there is inclement weather. Parents are requested to transport athletes to and from McEwen Reserve. Children will need to be dropped off no later than 9.00am and will report to Mrs Armstrong who will mark the roll. At the conclusion of the sports, parents are to collect them. This should be approximately 2.30pm. Permission forms will go home ASAP along with some Fosbury Flop forms for students who can perform this technique with the High Jump.
- 7. Bravehearts** - Students in Grades F-2 will be participating in a Bravehearts Personal Safety Show on Tuesday 29th March at 12.40pm in the MP room. The purpose of 'Ditto's Keep Safe Adventure Show' is to teach children protective behaviours in a non-confrontational, fun and engaging fashion - no permission forms will be sent home, please contact the office if you would prefer for your child to not participate in this informal incursion.
- 8. Labour Day Public Holiday** - A reminder that Monday is a public holiday. School resumes on Tuesday 15th March.
- 9. Easter Raffle** - Raffle tickets will be distributed this week to the eldest in the family - extra raffle books can be collected at the office if needed. If we could have all donations and raffle books in by the Wednesday 6th April we can then organise prizes on the Thursday and winners will be announced on the last day of the term at assembly (Friday 8th April at 1.45pm - early dismissal at 2.25pm).
- 10. School Council** - Our next meeting will be held on Monday 21st March. Information will be out to school councillors next week. The Finance Committee will meet at 6.45pm followed by the Annual General Meeting at 6.45pm. School Council will begin at 7pm.
- 11. COVID Measures Extension** - As stated previously, the Victorian Government have announced a 6 week extension of the COVID Safe measures for schools. These measures were introduced for 4 weeks at the beginning of Term 1 and will now be in place for the remainder of Term 1, subject to any changes in health advice. The 3rd Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) for each student is now available to collect - further boxes for each student will be available on the 15th and 28th March. A reminder to families that the Education Department are encouraging RA Tests to be taken twice throughout the school week.
- 12. Parents' Club** - There are a number of specific dates set that have been published in the full edition of the newsletter. The next meeting will be held on Thursday 24th March outside at school at 3.30pm - all families are invited and we are looking forward to seeing some new families come on board to assist with activities throughout the year. Contact the school if you can help with the activities planned for Friday 11th March (Colour Run, Sausage Sizzle).
- 13. COVID-19** - We had our 8th case unfortunately last week - regular communication will continue via Skool Loop so it is vital that families have these notifications turned on with their devices. Please read the signage around the school and adhere to the rules that are in place to enable our school community to remain as safe as possible during this difficult time.
- 14. Assemblies** - These will be held at the Outdoor Learning Space or undercover area each Friday afternoon at 3pm until further notice. All families are invited to attend if they wish - Student of the Week is handed out at each assembly and families will continue to be notified.
- 15. Skool Loop** - Families will need to be aware of notifications via Skool Loop in regard to disruptions at school in line with COVID-19. New groups for 2022 have been set up, so join these ASAP please.
- 16. OSH Care Enrolment Forms** - A reminder that no children will be allowed to utilise the OSH Care service unless enrolment forms are returned for each child - there have been constant reminders so far via the newsletter. Unfortunately, there are no exceptions to this - please support this service to ensure that it is financially viable going forward.
- 17. Restrictions / Vaccinations** - A reminder to families about the vaccination requirements for visitors and volunteers. This is in line with COVID-19 vaccination information collection and recording procedures (Department of Education) where schools are required to sight specific vaccination status. As stated previously, facemasks are still needed for staff and students in Grades 3-6, but staff no longer need to wear facemasks outside. Parents are still encouraged to not enter school buildings but if they do digital certificates are needed in line with vaccination requirements. Visitors to school grounds must comply with vaccination requirements, density limits, face mask requirements, check-ins and practise respiratory etiquette and good hand hygiene.
- 18. Absence Notes** - A reminder to families to submit an absence via Skool Loop when required please - this is the preferred method of notification. Please remember to have the correct date for any notification that is sent.
- 19. Specialist Programs** - This week we will have Music & Library on Wednesday and our rotation program on Thursday.
- 20. Sharing of Food** - The updated guidelines state that sharing of food is not permitted (ie: birthday cake), however pre-packaged food which doesn't require anyone to touch this food is ok (ie: lollipop, icypole).
- 21. Book Club** - Book Club Issue 2 order booklets are now available. If you would like to place an order, please return the completed order with payment OR place a LOOP order by Wednesday, 16th March.

David Brodie (Principal)

Our general school rule is to "consider the feelings of others at all times".

Food scraps & food wrappers will go home in student lunch boxes to assist with hygiene in the school

The Department's latest advice on coronavirus can be found at www.education.vic.gov.au/coronavirus