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PRINCIPAL REPORT...

School Events:

The previous week has seen a flurry of school events, with each of these providing a great example of the importance of a well-rounded school experience for our children. Given it is our core business, our teaching and learning program will always be at the forefront of what we do, however we cannot underestimate how much personal growth can be achieved by students when participating in events such as interschool Tennis, our Ride2School day, and our District Athletics carnival, for example. Congratulations to all our students involved in each of these events, as your conduct and consistent demonstration of our RIPPER values do not go unnoticed.

Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser:

Thank you to our parent volunteers for your assistance in ensuring this fundraiser was a great success. Due to the support of our school community, I can proudly report this saw us raise \$746, which is a terrific outcome.

End of Term 1:

As highlighted in our last edition, please be aware that our end-of-term finishing time is required to reflect Department of Education policy, with this being 2:30pm. In Term 1, our last day is Thursday 28 March (tomorrow) as the following day is the Good Friday public holiday.

Our program will run as normal from 9am-1:15pm on the last day of term (including lunch eating time in the classroom), and we will conduct an end-of-term assembly from 1:15pm, most likely on our Undercover Court. Following the conclusion of our assembly, students will have a later-than-usual lunch play break in the yard until our 2:30pm dismissal.

I hope everyone has a wonderful school holiday break, and for those going away, please travel safely. I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 15 April for the beginning of Term 2.

Take care,

Joel Blythman

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DATES TO REMEMBER...

28 th March	Thursday	JSC Easter Themed/ Casual Clothes Day – Gold coin donation
		Last Day Term 1 – Early dismissal – 2:30pm
29 th March	Friday	Good Friday Public Holiday
15 th April	Monday	First Day Term 2
25 th April	Thursday	ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Private Music Lessons

There are 4 spots available for private music lessons conducted here at school by Tania Baldwin currently on a Wednesday. Tania teaches piano, keyboard and guitar. If you are interested and for more information contact Tania on 0448 924 340.

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RIPPER STUDENT AWARDS...



Prep/1	Indi P	For working hard and showing persistence during reading.
1/2	Jacob B	For demonstrating empathy to his peers. Thank you for showing kindness, consideration and helping those who need it!
2/3	Charlie S	For taking pride and showing persistence with all learning tasks.
4/5	Jimmy T	For working with and supporting his partner with such maturity. He is such an amazing asset to our class!
5/6	Piper R	For being a quiet achiever. She is an amazing leader during our buddy sessions.
Art/Music	Havana W	For her wonderful modelling skills to create a clay flower.
School Captains	Lillianna S	For always looking out for other peoples' feelings and being respectful.





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District Athletics Sports Day – Report by Hollie & Murray

On the 25th of March, 2024 Years 3 - 6 students were buzzing with excitement because they knew if they worked hard enough they could get the great results of winning district sports against four other schools. As they hopped off the bus at the athletics field the excitement grew bigger and bigger.

All students participated in long distance run, sprint, shot put, discus, long jump and triple jump. Everyone showed all the RIPPER values and represented our school very well.

When the day came to an end, we were all tired but still ready to hear the results. Unfortunately we came second to Toongabbie by 0.2 of a point, but we are still very proud of the results that we came second out of five schools.

Congratulations to the students in Years 3 to 6.



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JSC Easter Dress-Up Day

- Junior School Council would like to invite all students to wear Easter themed or casual clothes to school on **Thursday 28th March (last day of Term 1)** as our first fundraiser for 2024.
- We ask for a **gold coin donation** which will go towards sports and yard equipment for the students.



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Follow Your (Red) Nose!

Presented by Kayla Hamill in partnership with GPAC Education and Community Program

How would you like to join the circus, just for a day?
Follow Your (Red) Nose! introduces kids to the joyful, confidence-building, and inspiring world of red-nose clowning.

Wednesday 3 April | 10:00am | GPAC Town Hall Theatre

Led by professional Clown Doctor and funny specialist - Kayla Hamill, this specially designed workshop is for children of all abilities, social skills, introverts and extroverts. Clowning is a serious business. Well, serious and loads of fun too. Each participant receives their own red nose, and through a series of carefully planned and inclusive games and activities, they will learn how to delight an audience, and each other, with generosity, adaptability, and kindness.

The workshop concludes with a short presentation for family and friends.

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Presented by Em Chandler in partnership with GPAC Education and Community Program

A fun and whimsical story-telling workshop, led by acclaimed children's entertainer Em Chandler, designed to help children develop their imagination.

Tuesday 9 April | 1:00pm | GPAC Town Hall Theatre

Come fracture, explore, and retell some classic fairy tales through kindness, wonder, and play! Let's use our imaginations, blankets, chairs, and all sorts of everyday objects to make troll bridges and little pig's houses! We can be sneaky Goldilocks and Big Bad Wolves with a colander hat or blanket cape. And what happens when we start to change the stories? Are there more than three billy goats gruff? What if they were superheros? An alien invasion, or pig fairy godmothers? Let's find out together.

See the GPAC website for booking details or phone

the Box Office: 03 5176 3333

Tickets only \$5

For more information email:

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Latrobe Valley All Ability Sports

'All-ability' sports are about fun and participation for **EVERYONE!** The local All-ability groups are parent-run and driven, so cater directly to the needs of kids with additional needs in the local area. During the sessions a variety of games and activities are played to learn and develop new skills and are non-competitive. Activities are modified so that everyone can 'have a go!' Participants can also benefit socially by making new friends and feeling part of a team.

We currently run three sporting programs locally (during school terms), Term 1 – Tennis at Pax Hill Tennis Club, Term 2 & 3 – AFL Footy at West End Junior Football Club and Term 4 – Cricket at Traralgon West Cricket Club.



All Ability Footy (AFL) Term 2 & 3, 2024

Footy training for school aged kids with additional needs. Siblings welcome to join in too!

*At West End Sporting Complex,
Douglas Parade, Traralgon*



*Wednesdays, 4.30pm - 5.15pm
With Coach Travis*



*Starting on **Wednesday 17th April, 2024***

All equipment supplied, just bring a drink bottle.

A parent/carer must attend and be willing to participate/support if necessary.

Any further queries phone Team Manager, Meg 0421763525 or via the facebook group;
All ability sports, Latrobe Valley

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GIPPSLAND YOUTH THEATRE'S
production of
Disney
MOANA JR.

Music and Lyrics by
Lin-Manuel Miranda, Opetaia Foa'i & Mark Mancina

Book Adapted by
Susan Soon He Stanton

Music and Orchestrations Adapted and Arranged by
Ian Weinberger

Based on the 2016 Disney film *Moana*
Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australasia).
All performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia.

SATURDAY 27TH APRIL 2024

1PM, 4PM & 7PM

Morwell Central Primary School Performing Arts Centre

McDonald Street, Morwell

All Tickets \$25.00

Purchase ONLINE <https://www.trybooking.com/CPERE>



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WOMEN IN SUPER
Mother's Day Classic

Traralgon & Toongabbie

Mother's Day Classic

Sunday 12 May

Stop breast and ovarian cancers in their tracks

Registrations from:
8.30am at Toongabbie CFA (9km)
9.00am at Burnetts Road Carpark, Traralgon (5km)

REGISTER NOW!

[womeninsuper.com.au](https://mtdc.womeninsuper.com.au)

**Walk or run
Move till we're done**

*Kids Go Free in Feb applies to up to 2 children aged 12 and under per adult/concession ticket purchase. Further T&Cs lead to the website

KIDS GO FREE IN FEB!

Founded by: **WOMEN IN SUPER**
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