

Dear Parents,

I recently notified the parents of students in Grade P/1 that Ashleigh Phillips will be taking family leave in term 4. Jo Morrison will move to fulltime in that class. We wish Ashleigh, Luke and Harrison all the best.

Last week I mentioned some of our Grade 6 girls were venturing down to Rosebud to compete in a unique event that involved show jumping, running and swimming. The girls competed individually but then scores were combined for an overall team score. Scores have been posted and the girls came 7<sup>th</sup> with 529.2pts, only .6pts off ribbon placing. Many thanks to the parents for giving the girls the opportunity.

A reminder for parents to please be careful when entering and leaving our car park. There have been several near misses with cars not watching as they leave the car park and entering from Chester Court. Also please watch your speed as you enter the car park as not all students have the presence of mind to watch for cars when they see their parents. I am in discussion with the council about further signing and line marking.

During the past week a few families have shown us small 'bites' on students' torso, neck and arms that become quite itchy. These 'bites' have occurred across the school from various age groups and with boys and girls. These have been small red lumps that are scattered and generally not in one specific area. We thought it may have been something from the 3/4 camp but now the season of students has grown. They are not mosquito bites either. It may just be coincidental that these students have these at the same time, but we ask for parents to be vigilant and let us know so we can ascertain whether the bites are happening at school. Thanks for your support with this.

On Monday after assembly a group of parents provided valuable feedback to me regarding the school's self assessment. We looked at the areas of Student Achievement, Wellbeing and Engagement and Pathways and Transitions. We spoke about the strengths and

weaknesses over the past four years against these areas and the progress the school has made towards these.

We have one more session which is scheduled for 5:00pm on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June. I encourage anyone who would like to have input into our self-assessment to come to this meeting.

A reminder we also have a parent information session focusing on reading for Prep-3 parents to be held on 20<sup>th</sup> June after assembly. During this session we will look how to assist your child to read and our current systems in place to develop reading in those grade areas.

Have a great long weekend; hopefully it stays dry!

**Adam Downes – Principal**

### **PARENTS & FRIENDS PIZZA LUNCH ORDERS**

A reminder that all pizza lunch orders are due in by THIS FRIDAY 10<sup>th</sup> June at 9:00am. Orders with payment are to be placed in the blue container on the table in the school foyer.

### **Swim Ride Run – Report by Hannah ~ Grade 5/6**

On Friday Ruby, Teagan and I competed in Swim Ride Run at Boneo Park Equestrian Centre. It was a really big exciting day with lots of fun that was had. First Teagan did the running and she placed 9<sup>th</sup>, she did a great job! Afterwards Ruby had the horse riding. Ruby did an amazing job show jumping and she ended up getting a clear round. Last but not least I did the swimming and I came first in my heat with a time of 35.6 but sadly it was 2 seconds off my normal Personal Best (PB) but it was still a good swim. We ended up placing 7th out of 36 teams.

**YOU CAN DO IT**  
**STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS**  
**For Week Ending 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2016**



P/1	Caity Dalrymple	For putting in her best effort in writing.
	Immi McAllister	For being a great listener and always being ready to learn.
1/2	Brody Stevenson	For always having a go.
3	Belle Gissara	For putting in her best efforts to all of her classwork.
4/5	Hunter Fahy	For managing her time effectively to complete tasks punctually.
5/6	Sienna Crowe	For showing a great attitude towards all aspects of school.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

10 <sup>th</sup> June	Fri	P&F Pizza Lunch Orders Due In – 9:00am
13 <sup>th</sup> June	Mon	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
15 <sup>th</sup> June	Wed	Self-Evaluation Session for Parents – 5:00pm
16 <sup>th</sup> June	Thu	P&F Pizza Lunch Day
17 <sup>th</sup> June	Fri	Grade 6 Graduation Fundraiser – Community Dinner
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Mon	Parent Session – Helping with reading for parents of students in Years Prep-3 after assembly
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Wed	Whole School Photo/Group Photos - Orders Due In
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Thu	JSC – Australia's Biggest Morning Tea
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Fri	Last day of Term 2 – Early Dismissal – 1:30pm

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**GRADE 6 COMMUNITY DINNER**  
**GRADUATION FUNDRAISER**

Next Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June, our Grade 6s will be running the community dinner as a fundraiser for their graduation from 5:30pm for a 6:00pm start. The menu is spaghetti bolognese with apple pie and cream or ice cream for dessert. Cans of drink will be available to purchase and the bar will not be open. Cost is \$15 per adult and \$8 per child. It would be great to see you all come along and support the fundraising efforts of our Grade 6 students, as one day your child will also be fundraising for their graduation!

Please RSVP to [communitydinners@outlook.com](mailto:communitydinners@outlook.com) with the number of people attending or pop in and see Jeneen who can RSVP on your behalf before Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 4:00pm.

We are also looking for donations of raffle prizes and ingredients for the night. If you can help out at all, please email Jeneen at [fowler.jeneen.f@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:fowler.jeneen.f@edumail.vic.gov.au). We look forward to sharing the evening with you!

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## Years 3 and 4 Camp Rumbug – Reports by Grade 3

At the beautiful Camp Rumbug we Grade 3/4s from Traralgon South, Glengarry, Gormandale and Tyers went to Camp. We stayed for 3 days, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. At PGL (Camp Rumbug) the food was really yum. On Thursday night for dessert we had chocolate mousse with whipped cream.



That day we also had baked potatoes for lunch. They were delicious!!!!!!!!!! On Thursday our last thing we did was team challenge. My group did nitro crossing in team challenge. In nitro crossing there is a mud pit and a rope above it. The aim of nitro crossing is you hold on the rope and you have to try not to get in the mud pit. The very last activity for my group was the giant swing. I nearly went to the top but it was quite scary so I stopped about 2



metres away from the top. What you did was put the harness on and there is a rope you pull. It gave me a very big shock when you let go of the rope because it just goes pabam!!!

**By Chloe**

When the grade 3 and 4s went to camp at camp Rumbug there were 4 schools going including us. First on Wednesday we saw what was around camp. On the second day we did the flying fox. We did it over hills and trees. It was not scary at all. I liked walking of the platform. It was so fun. On the last day on Friday our group did the giant swing.



When I was up I almost went to the top of the swing. It was kind of scary but I did not scream. In my cabin I had Maddie, Cassie and Jessica R. I had other people from the other schools too. For both dinners we had fish and schnitzel and for both desserts we had mousse and pavlova. For both lunches we had potato bacon and cheese and sandwiches.. There were more activities too. There were low ropes, team challenges, raft building, bush craft and archery.

**By Lulu**

We went to cross country on the way down to camp after cross country we had a toilet break and went to the park and Mr. Downes spun us on a spinny thing. After that he took us to a servo and we got an ice cream. I got a Calippo. At camp we did raft building and Jacob, the instructor, did my life jacket up too tight, I was sucking in my belly. Before that he showed everyone how to do it up and made me do a pose. We had to use 6 barrels, 6 ropes and 4 logs. We made a raft. 6 of us went on the raft. Then they came to the shore and we had to pull it apart. On the third day we did Aeroball. I versed Hugh and I won. I did it a second time and I versed Mr. Downes! He won by a lot. The scores were 1-6. The last activity we did was giant swing. I was the first person to go to the top. To get to the top the other people in your group had to pull a rope so you go higher. It was really fun!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

**By Belle**





**Sunday 26th June 2016**  
**Latrobe Leisure Morwell**  
**McDonald Street Morwell VIC 3840**

**SESSION ONE. 2:00pm - 3:30pm**

This session is for swimmers not yet enrolled in a swimming club and capable of swimming 25m freestyle and 25m backstroke unassisted. Come and learn some new skills to improve your swimming and discover more about what swimming club can offer you.

**SESSION TWO. 3:00pm - 4:30pm**

This session is an opportunity for current swimming club members to meet and train with swimmers from other local swimming clubs and to participate in some fun interclub activities.



**COST:** \$10 Per Swimmer

**REGISTER:** <https://trybooking.com/LPRA>

**ENQUIRIES:** [info@morwellswimmingclub.org.au](mailto:info@morwellswimmingclub.org.au)

**WEBSITE:** [www.morwellswimmingclub.org.au](http://www.morwellswimmingclub.org.au)

**JUNIOR  
DOLPHINS  
PROGRAM**



Dear Parents,

The Junior School Council is holding Australia's Biggest Morning Tea on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> of June to raise money for the Cancer Council. Students are asked to bring along a cash donation as well as their own playlunch and a little extra to share with classmates. They will participate in some cross-aged activities in the morning session, and begin an early morning tea together at 10.45am. Parents are welcome to come along for a cuppa and support this cause.

If you have any metal teapots we may borrow for one of the activities please let us know.

Donations can also be made at <https://www.biggestmorningtea.com.au> – click on the donate button then search for host name: Ruth Bone and this will take you there.

Thankyou. 🍰

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Year 4/5 JSC Representatives