



Dear Parents,

I hope everybody enjoyed the long weekend and has returned recharged and ready for the final weeks of term. With the winter chill setting in, I thank everyone for monitoring the health of their children so well and being proactive in stopping disease from spreading through the school.

Good luck to Milee Hayes, Kate Edgar, Evan Pass and Jessica Pettifer, our four cross country runners, who made it through to the Regional competition at Lardner Park. They will be going out to compete tomorrow. We're sure they'll represent themselves and the school well.

I had mentioned changes to the attendance policy in previous weeks, and last week requested that you update your contact details. The ins-and-outs of the new policy, guided by the new requirements of the Department, will be finalised at School Council next week with the assistance of our parents on the Council, however, we know a couple of things for sure:

- Schools will be required to contact parents in the morning of an absence that is unexplained. This means we need to have this process as streamlined as possible so that we don't take away from teaching time. We are considering email, Dojo and SMS as possible methods for this, so please ensure you are up-to-date on all of these.
- When we can't contact you regarding unexplained absence, we will be required to contact your emergency contacts. Please make sure these details are up-to-date also.

I will give a full outline in next week's newsletter and be open to discussing further with families once School Council have finalised the new policy.

**Dan Swallow - Acting Principal**

**TRACKY PANTS - SCHOOL UNIFORM**

As parents have been finding it very difficult to find reasonably priced royal blue tracksuit pants I have a sample in sizes 4, 6, 8, 10, 14. Unfortunately there is no stock available in size 12 until October. These will be \$16.00 each to purchase. We will not be stocking these but I will be taking orders for the next couple of weeks. Please call in to the school if you would like to see/try/buy.

~ Karyn ~

**NOTE OF APPRECIATION - GIVE A DAMN. GIVE A CAN.**



On the week May 21 -26 The Rotary Club of Traralgon Central organised their annual 'Give a Damn. Give a Can' appeal. This is now the 25<sup>h</sup> year of GADGAC.

The idea for the project was started by a lone man appealing to shoppers as they came from a supermarket in Melbourne. He was, he said, collecting spare cans for his neighbour who was going through tough times.

Eleven schools in Traralgon and District supported the collection. The entire collection this year came to 8536. But the schools collection itself was 7145 cans: a super impressive 83% of the total collected. Each month the Food Bank helps out between 40 and 50 families. The RC of Traralgon Central promote Give a Can as 'kids giving to other kids,' believing, as does the school, the importance of giving.

On behalf of the Rotary Club, we thank your school community for the outstanding support of this annual project

*Ian Whitehead. Community Services Director.  
RC of Traralgon Central.*

**LATROBE PERFORMING ARTS SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN!**

Latrobe Performing Arts will have a complimentary film screening of The Magic Pudding on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July at 11:00am. This will be screened at Latrobe Performing Arts Centre in Traralgon and bookings are essential. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Josephine Wants To Dance will be performed at Kernot Hall, Morwell on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July and 10:30am and 1:30pm. Ticket prices available online.

For both items go to Bookings Online: [www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/LPAwhatson](http://www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/LPAwhatson) or Phone 5176 3333.

DATES TO REMEMBER		
14 <sup>th</sup> June	Thu	Grade 1 students Dental Fluoride Program
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Mon	School Council - 7:00pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Fri	Junior School Council Fun Run/Walk
28 <sup>th</sup> June	Thu	Student Reports sent home
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Fri	End of Term 2 - Early dismissal at 1:30pm
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Mon	Term 3 begins