



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 3! I hope you all had a good holiday and managed to have a little bit of family time. I went to Sovereign Hill in Ballarat for a few days with my family and did some camping in the Victorian High Country with my son. The Winter Lights Festival at Sovereign Hill was amazing and I highly recommend if you are able to make it one year, do so.

Yesterday some of our senior students participated in the District Winter Sports competition. Teams were fielded for football, netball and soccer playing teams from across the Latrobe Valley. All students did a magnificent job and there will be a student report in next week's newsletter.

It is vitally important that parents/students who are late to school sign the late register at the front office. Classroom rolls are marked first thing at 9:00am using a digital resource called eCases. The late register is then used to amend these details. So if a student arrives after the second bell and the roll has been marked, that student will be marked as absent for the day. Obviously we would like to ensure that all students are here for the beginning of the day as this is the most important part of the day when the organisation of the day begins. Accurate recording of student absence is a departmental requirement and we ask that all families use the late register.

Today is certainly a day of inclement weather with snow reported around several houses and areas. With high winds as well the school will always exercise caution when it comes to sending students outside. Where wind and freezing temperatures pose a danger to students, the school will keep students inside in warmth and safety. I know it is far from what we are feeling today but this also applies to extremely hot weather as well. Student safety and wellbeing is foremost and when the weather does not allow us to go outside, we will keep the students busy inside.

Thank you to all the parents that were able to lend a hand at either the election BBQ or assist in cleaning up the school after the removal of the trees. All work done is greatly appreciated. There is still some wood lying around from the trees which is available for parents to collect. All that we ask is you clean up where possible and take left over bark and wood to the piles at the bottom of the hill. These piles will be disposed of shortly.

School Council have set a working bee on Sunday 31st July to continue some school beautification works. Some of the jobs need to be done without the entire

student population here. As always many hands make light work so if you are available to help on the day, times will be set shortly. If you are unable to help on the day but would still like to contribute, there will be a list placed on the board in the foyer of small jobs that need doing if you have some spare time.

Adam Downes – Principal

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

The Election Day BBQ was a great success. We would like to say thank you to everyone who came along and supported us on the day. Thanks also to all the volunteers who came along to cook and serve.

Special thanks to the following businesses for their generous cash donations which covered the cost of meat, bread etc:

DJE – Dennis Jones Engineering

Markham Industries

Prezioso Transport

Alpine Country/Tackle World Morwell

Melanie Harkess - P&F Secretary

Health & Human Relations Parents Information Meeting

This term we will be doing Health & Human Relations Education for students in Years 3 and 4 over a three week period for an hour. Parents will be given the option for their children to take part in further sessions outside of these basic introductory sessions. A detailed letter and permission note will go home regarding what is covered later in the term. The Years 5 and 6 students will do three sessions of one and a half hours and no permission notes will go home regarding this. Health & Human Relations is a compulsory part of the curriculum for all schools in Victoria.

There will be an information meeting held next Monday July 18th at 2:45pm in the staffroom for interested parents to find out more about the program. This is the fourth year Health & Human Relations has been taught at this school and our students have developed good knowledge and understanding over that time. Feel free to contact me if you are unable to make the meeting next Monday but would like further information regarding the sessions.

Regards ~ Kristine Travers

DATES TO REMEMBER		
18 th July	Mon	Parents Information Meeting for Health & Human Relations Years 3-6 – 2:45pm
22 nd July	Fri	Book Club Orders Due In
26 th July	Tue	P&F Lunch Orders Due In - 9:00am
28 th July	Thu	P&F Spaghetti Bolognaise Hot Lunch Day
31 st July	Sun	Working Bee

THE NEXT P & F LUNCH DAY ...
“THURSDAY 28th July”
Spaghetti Bolognaise

Orders must be in blue box at the office no later than
9:00am Tuesday 26th July

... but why not get your order in early so you don't forget!

Please ensure that EACH CHILD HAS THEIR OWN ENVELOPE/SLIP as these are given back to each class for the kids to bring with them when they collect their food. Envelopes/slips must clearly state child's name, their class and total amount enclosed.

Lunch Menu:

Spaghetti Bolognaise (spiral pasta) \$3.50

Add Cheese .50

Pop Top Drinks:

Apple/Blackcurrant \$1.50

Orange \$1.50

Tropical \$1.50

TOTAL \$ _____