



**PRINCIPAL REPORT – WEEK 5 TERM 3 2019**

I am very excited to report that on Wednesday 21 August, Traralgon South Primary School will be receiving a visit from the Secretary of Education, Jenny Atta. As Secretary of Education, Jenny is directly responsible for the management of the Department of Education and Training, so we are very lucky for our school to be chosen to host a portion of her visit to Traralgon. This will provide a wonderful opportunity for us to showcase our school, our teaching and learning program, and our fantastic staff and students across the broader education system. This is also our Book Week dress-up day, so I'm sure there will be plenty of colour and excitement to show off in our classrooms!

On Tuesday 13 August, four students represented our school at the Zone finals of the VicSpell competition, a non-profit spelling competition dedicated to promoting and rewarding excellent spelling across the state. Competing against students from other local schools, I am pleased to report that our Grade 5 and 6 students performed amazingly well, with the final results as follows:

**Grade 5:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place Abby Riddell  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Kate Edgar

**Grade 6:**

= 5<sup>th</sup> Place Leo Skurrie  
 = 7<sup>th</sup> Place Ben Hagley

Abby Riddell will now move onto the State finals on Wednesday 4 September, and will compete against all other Zone final winners for her age group. Congratulations and well done to all four students.



As a matter of courtesy, I would also like to use this opportunity to inform our Grade 6 parents of the arrangements for covering Stacey Dinelli whilst she is on two weeks long service leave. As a school, we have attempted to minimise the amount of disruption to students through the appointment of consistent replacement teachers, those of which are detailed below. I trust you will welcome and support Peter whilst Stacey is on a much-deserved holiday. Please note, at the time of writing I am still to be informed of the replacement teacher on both Wednesdays.

<b>TEACHER – MRS. STACEY DINELLI: GRADE 6</b>	
WEEK 6 TERM 3	
Monday 19 August	Mr. Peter McKay
Tuesday 20 August	
Wednesday 21 August	TBC
Thursday 22 August	Mr. Peter McKay
Friday 23 August	
WEEK 7 TERM 3	
Monday 26 August	Mr. Peter McKay
Tuesday 27 August	
Wednesday 28 August	TBC
Thursday 29 August	Mr. Peter McKay
Friday 30 August	

On a separate matter, I would like to use this opportunity to remind parents of the times associated with our supervision of students out of class times. Specifically, children are provided supervised access to their classrooms from 8:50am, at which time a bell will sound. Prior to this time, it is considered the parent's responsibility for supervision of their children. Students are supervised at both recess and lunch by teaching staff. Children are also supervised by their teacher in the classroom between 1:00pm – 1:15pm whilst they eat their lunch. At the conclusion of the school day, the yard is supervised until 3:40pm. After this time, it is considered the parent's responsibility for supervision of their children. It is expected that students will be collected as close to 3:30pm as possible, though should circumstances arise where this becomes difficult, please contact the school and we will help wherever we can.

Take care

Joel Blythman

### MUSICA VIVA

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August, Musica Viva will be performing "March of the Fire Ants" at our school. We are looking forward to this performance at 2:00pm in the Multi Purpose room. Parents and friends are most welcome to attend as well. We are very fortunate that there is no cost for students, as we were very lucky to have won a free concert this year. During term 2 we have been learning about the bands songs and the various sounds and instruments they play.

~ Yvonne Game ~

## Father's Day Stall Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August

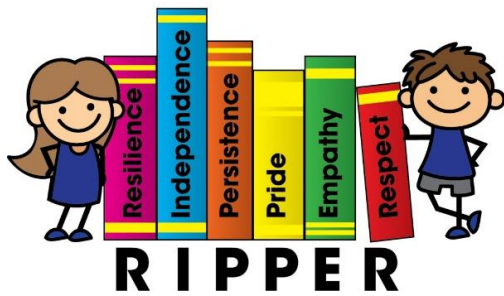


Our Father's Day Stall will be held on Friday, 30th August. All children will have the opportunity to view the stall and make a purchase. Gifts will be priced from \$1 to \$5. Children will need to bring a bag to carry their purchases home. Please send them along with no more than \$10 per child to spend.

If you would like to donate any items for the stall, these will be very much appreciated and can be left at the office.

DATES TO REMEMBER		
11 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Sun	Last day for Parent Opinion Survey online access
14 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Wed	ICAS online payments close for Years 2 - 6 students participating
19 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Mon	Dancing Extravaganza - 2:30pm - 3:30pm at school
21 <sup>st</sup> Aug	Wed	Book Week Rotation Day - Design your own cape!
22 <sup>nd</sup> Aug	Thu	Book Club Orders Due In
23 <sup>rd</sup> Aug	Fri	Musica Viva - No cost to families this year
30 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Fri	Fathers' Day Stall
13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Fri	Prep - 2 Swimming Program - \$105 per student - final day for payment

## RIPPER Student Awards - Week Ending 9th August 2019



Prep	Hunter Harkess	For showing empathy towards his class members.
1	Nathaniel Rhue	For being persistent in reading and writing (magic words).
4/5	Alice den Houting	For displaying many of our RIPPER values in the classroom, especially pride, independence and respect.
6	Esther Miljons	For displaying kindness and empathy to her classmates.
Art/Music	Dan Riddell	For diligently learning how to bend his wire into a person and then confidently teaching 3 of his peers.
P.E.	Ceili Coulthard	For always displaying respect to her classmates in P.E.
	Tyler Moyle	For showing persistence and pride to complete all dances in P.E.

### DANCING EXTRAVAGANZA

The children have been working very hard learning dancing in PE. Our focus has been social dances such as the Nut Bush, Macarena and the Chicken Dance. As well as these we have learnt bush dances such as the Heel and Toe Polka, Virginia Reel, Stockyard Jig and Cotton Eye Joe. To showcase the students learning, we invite all parents/carers to join us for a dancing afternoon on Monday August 19<sup>th</sup> between 2.30pm and 3.30pm. We will be dancing on the netball court weather permitting, or will move to the Traralgon South Hall if the weather is poor. All teachers look forward to seeing you on the day.

*Regards - Kristine Travers*

**READING IS MY SECRET POWER**  
Book Week 2019

**DESIGN YOUR OWN CAPE**

For our Years Prep  
– 6 rotation day!