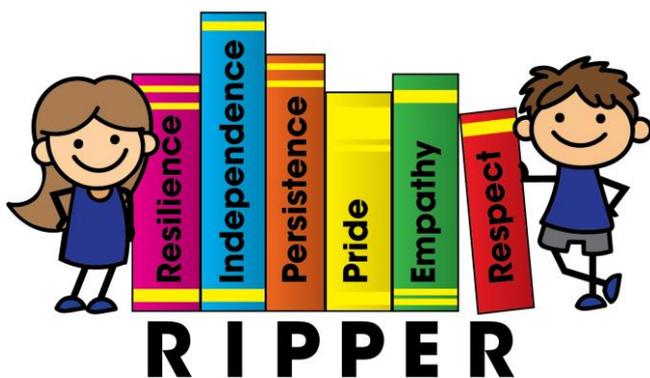




Dear Parents,

As I mentioned in the newsletter last week, I attended the Victorian Principal's Association conference last Thursday and Friday. It would have to have been one of the best conferences I have ever attended. The speakers, including Andrew Fuller and Tracey Ezard, spoke on creating a more resilient culture at school. This includes staff, students, parents and the wider community. There was lots of opportunity to self-reflect on what I/we do well, and areas for improvement and how to implement them. I'm looking forward to more professional reading on this topic and following up on some of the ways, that together, we can build a more resilient culture here at TSPS.

At last night's staff meeting we looked at numerous ideas on how we can incorporate our RIPPER logo and values around our school. These included signwriting the middle area, having it visible around the school in the gardens and areas around the school to have murals. Before we dive deep into this, I'd like to hear some ideas that you might have on how it can be incorporated. It's exciting as we visualise how we can liven up the grounds of our beautiful school.



Also at last night's meeting, I showed staff a YouTube video called 'It's not about the nail'. The focus of the video is of the need to sometimes just listen, rather than try to solve problems or give a point of view. It made me think about how we can all benefit from putting aside our problem solving brain and mentality, and purely listen to peoples' thoughts, concerns or ideas. I'd encourage all parents to watch the short video and

reflect on how this might help us as a school, through both a parent lens and again as a school wide view. It's a short funny video with a very powerful message.

Information for the Years 3 and 4 camp at Camp Rumbug were sent home with these students yesterday. The cost will be \$260 per student. Medical information forms have been sent home today and the clothing list will be sent home as soon as we receive it from Gormandale Primary School, the camp co-ordinators this year.

Thank you again to those parents who have completed the Parent Opinion Survey. The survey will close this coming Sunday. The other surveys conducted throughout the year that we use in conjunction with the parent survey are the Student Attitude to School Survey and Staff Opinion Survey. Results from all of these surveys help us to set our yearly and future improvement outcomes and we use each of them to triangulate data against each to see patterns for that year and years gone by.

Enjoy your week.

Adam Downes - Principal

TUNICS - SCHOOL UNIFORM

There is a school tunic sample in the office for anyone interested in getting one made. There is also a sample of the grey material which would be used. Natasha Borg, who will be a Prep parent in 2019, is a dressmaker and runs her own business in Traralgon. Prices range from \$35 to \$40 depending on the size. Natasha can also supply tracksuit pants if anyone needs these made, with prices starting from \$25. I can pass on contact details to anyone interested.

~ Karyn ~

LOSTAWAY ISLAND CHILDREN'S THEATRE PROGRAM

Nanoo Nanoo Arts is a locally based Arts Company offering a variety of programs for children and adults of all ages. This September we are offering 'The 3 Day Play' school holiday program for children in Years 3 to Year 12 on 25th, 26th and 27th September. For full information and/or to register online go to www.nanoonano.com.au.

Parents and Friends Committee News

The 5 cent Challenge for the month of August is in full swing! We have a just over a week to go. Please keep sending those coins in. Ends 31st August. All monies raised goes toward a “Whole School Fun Day” at the end of Term 4. The class with the largest amount raised for the month will receive a hot chips and cordial lunch.

Our Father’s Day Stall will be held on Friday the 31st August. All children will be able to buy Dad a pressie. Gifts will be on sale from \$1 to \$5. Please send a bag for your child to bring their purchases home and send them along with no more than \$10 per child to spend.

We would very much appreciate donations to sell at our stall. Some ideas of goodies: Gardening goods, chocolates, lollies, homemade goods and baked goods. (All baked goods must have a list of ingredients attached and be handed in on the Friday morning.) Thank you in advance for your support.

Trivia Night Sat 8th of September, Top Pub Morwell.

Profit from night going towards
“Reading Kits Across Every Grade Level”

So come along: “Eat, Drink & Tease Your Brain”

RSVP Bookings to

tspsparentsandfriendscommittee@gmail.com

Any questions please contact Ross on 0438531441.

DATES TO REMEMBER		
1 st - 31 st August - P&F 5c Challenge		
Prep - 2 Swimming continues - 23 rd , 24 th , 27 th , 28 th , 30 th , 31 st August		
28 th Aug	Tue	Musica Viva payment due in
29 th Aug	Wed	Book Club orders due in
31 st Aug	Fri	Musica Viva - \$9.00 per student
		P&F Father’s Day Stall
8 th Sept	Sat	Trivia Night at Top Pub Morwell
12 th - 14 th Sept	Wed - Fri	Years 3 & 4 Camp Rumberg - \$260 per student (payment due by 5 th September)
16 th Sept	Sun	Working Bee