

Dear Parents,

New BBQ Donated By Bunnings Traralgon

Our school has been lucky enough to have a new barbeque donated by Bunnings in Traralgon. As part of the “Better Homes and Gardens” TV show, Fast Ed who presents a cooking segment, was in the Traralgon store and selected two barbeques to cook with before the store chose a charity or group to donate the barbecues to. As our school had sent a nice thank you letter to Bunnings for supporting our Trivia night, they chose us as the recipient of the “once used” barbecue.

NAPLAN Results

The National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) results has recently been received by our school. Our students have made steady progress in both Year 3 and 5, with outstanding progress particularly in Year 3 Reading, Grammar and Punctuation, and Numeracy. Our teachers will now look more closely at the data to identify future points of growth and focus areas.

Open Garden Project

Our school is participating in the Open Garden project being organised by the Latrobe City Council. All parents and members of the Traralgon South and District are welcome to attend our open garden from 11:30 – 1pm on Thursday 24th October. During this time, our students will be planting seeds and learning how to grow a vegetable. Some of our students were pictured on the front page of the Latrobe Valley Express to promote the project.

Student Free Day – Monday 4th November

Parents are reminded about the upcoming Student Free Day to be held on Monday 4th November. Students will also be away on Tuesday 5th November due to the Melbourne Cup Day holiday. Grade 5 and 6 students will be leaving for camp on Wednesday 6th November and returning on Friday 8th November. It is a very busy week with some key dates for parents to remember.

Lost Property

Our lost property tub is overflowing with unnamed jumpers and other clothing. It is the time of year when students will need to wear their jumper in the morning, but need to take it off during the day due to the warmer weather. I strongly encourage parents to ensure their child's

uniform is clearly named so any items that are found in the yard can be returned to the rightful owner. We also have a large quantity of plastic containers and teaspoons so if anyone is missing any, please visit the lost property room (first aid room) and take what is yours.

Joel Fraser – Principal

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM REMINDER

Reminder for all children enrolled in Badminton and/ or Volleyball to bring a drink bottle each week. It can get very hot in the Badminton courts.

~ Janine Groves ~

OPEN GARDEN TIMETABLE CHANGE

The timetable for gardening day has changed. Classes will visit the garden to complete an activity for twenty minute sessions then will go and weed the school garden for ten minutes. The new times are as follows:

11:30am	-	5/6
11:50am	-	2/3
12:10pm	-	4/5
12:30pm	-	Prep
12:50pm	-	1/2

Grade 5/6 are helping with some tan barking at 10:00am and we ask that they each bring a bucket to school to move the bark on Thursday morning please. Any parents able to help out please come along as all help will be greatly appreciated.

~ Kristine Travers ~

GREAT BAKE SALE

Muffin Break are currently running a promotion where schools can win 3 ipads and 1000 muffins which can be used to help raise up to \$4000 for our school. All the competition involves going to the website www.greatbakesale.com.au and typing in our school name and voting for Traralgon South Primary School. The voting system is worked out based upon the number of votes received divided by the number of students attending our school, so even though we're a small school, we still have a chance to win. This is a great opportunity to get family and friends involved in the voting process also! Imagine what we could do with 3 more ipads and \$4000!!

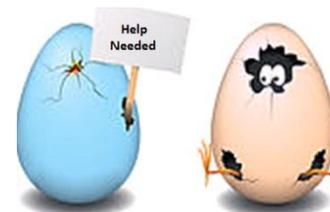
DATES TO REMEMBER		
24 Oct	Thu	Drumming Workshop - \$6 per student and performance time approx. 2:10pm – 3:15pm Open Garden Morning 11:30am – 1:00pm
25 Oct	Fri	Grades Prep and 1/2 excursion to Old Gipps town
31 Oct	Thu	Music - Count Us In – 12 noon
4 Nov	Mon	Student Free Day
5 Nov	Tue	Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday
6-8 Nov	Wed-Fri	Years 5 & 6 Camp in Melbourne – cost \$220
8 Nov	Fri	Short Working Bee – 4:30pm – 6:30pm

**YOU CAN DO IT
STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS
For Week Ending 18th October 2013**



Prep	Maddison Hodgson	For great efforts in Maths.
1/2	Savannah Theissling	For working hard to apply new skills to her writing.
2/3	Colby Palmer	For consistent efforts in class and great organisation.
4/5	Kaycee Robinson	For handing in homework early over several weeks. Also for baking an outstanding spider cake for Maths homework.
	Ella, Phoebe, Elyse	For excellent teamwork baking a creative and colourful flower cake with moving butterflies.
5/6	Bianca Harris	For a positive attitude and extra effort when working on percentages.
P.E.	Chris Bolton	For showing persistence and determination to learn skipping.
	Josh Neilson	For being a good team player during AFL 9's session.

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Can You Lend A Hand?

There are a few jobs that need to be completed within the school grounds. I have asked Jody Bates to do these for me. The jobs include cleaning the gutters, mending the timber fences and measuring the playground. These jobs shouldn't take very long to complete, however, if you are able to help out during the day or after school, can you please contact Jody or speak to me at school. Any help that can be offered will be greatly appreciated and help to keep our grounds neat and tidy.

Short Working Bee – Help Needed

We need your help! On Friday 8th November, we will be removing the rebound wall as it is broken and potentially unsafe. We have scheduled a short working bee to begin at 4:30pm and finish at 6:30pm. We need a number of people with sledge hammers, trailers and a cordless angle grinder to get the job done. If you are able to help out for a short time after school on Friday 8th November, please contact Joel at school. Your help is greatly appreciated.



Solar Energy Generation

The reading this week is 22165kwh which means we have generated 333kwh since our last reading.

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