



PRINCIPAL REPORT – WEEK 4 TERM 1 2020

The beginning of this week has seen our House Captain and Junior School Council elections, with successful candidates for each to be announced very soon. This is my first experience in seeing this process at Traralgon South Primary School and I have been amazed by the culture that has underpinned the process. Our students are eager to put themselves forward and challenge themselves, whilst also supporting their peers throughout. This is a credit to our staff and parent community, and of course, to the students themselves.

Our Parents & Friends Committee has recently formed for 2020, though if you're still interested in being a part of this group, please don't think you have missed your opportunity. We have started to map out a calendar of fundraising events for the year, as well as identifying our goals and targets. These tasks will allow us to be more strategic in our approach whilst also ensuring families don't become inundated with fundraisers all at once. Once these are closer to finalisation, we will share them with our school community.

Finally, as mentioned in previous Principal reports, please be reminded about our compulsory 2020 Parent Payments due by 28 February. The Christmas and New Year period can place some financial stress on families (myself included!), so for those that would like to discuss payment plans or are experiencing difficulties in meeting this deadline, please contact Karyn or I and we will discretely and respectfully work out alternative arrangements.

Take care,
Joel Blythman

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE

You may be eligible to receive conveyance allowance for transporting your child to and from school. To be eligible to receive conveyance allowance, a student must:

- Be school age
- Reside more than 4.8km by the shortest route from the nearest school attended or bus stop,
- Be enrolled at the nearest government primary or secondary school, or at the nearest appropriate registered non-government school.

If you believe you are eligible to receive conveyance allowance, please contact the school to complete an application. If you have claimed this in the past you do not need to fill in another claim form. Applications close 28th February.

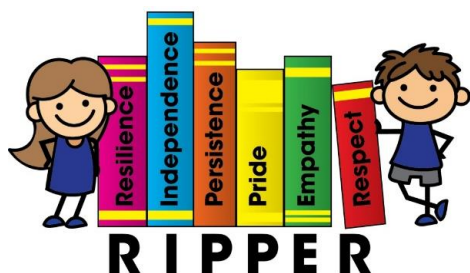
CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. Card must have been current on 29/1/20.

The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child. The annual CSEF amount per primary school student is \$125. Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form. If you applied for the CSEF at this school previously, you do not need to complete an application form in 2020 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances/additional student on the claim. An information sheet has been sent home today and/or check with the school office if you are unsure.

DATES TO REMEMBER		
21 st Feb	Fri	Bun-Raiser Orders Due In
28 th Feb	Fri	Materials Charges Due - \$160 per student Clean Up Australia Day Conveyance Allowance - Applications for Claims Close
3 rd Mar	Tue	Bun-Raiser Order Collection Day
9 th Mar	Mon	Labour Day Public Holiday
11 th Mar	Wed	School House Sports in Traralgon - Whole School
17 th Mar	Tue	District Sports in Traralgon - Ages 10, 11, 12/13 only
24 th Mar	Tue	School Photos

RIPPER Student Awards - Week Ending 14th February 2020



Prep/1	Harry Wilhelm	For demonstrating pride by being a great helper during pack up.
2/3	Danielle Game	For her 100% engagement in learning activities and being an independent learner.
3/4	Aaliyah Tassell	For consistently working independently and taking pride in her work.
Art/Music	Jimmy Tomholt	For drawing in lots of details on his Rainbow Fish picture.
	Aemaeth Rhue	For taking a great deal of pride in the presentation of his graffiti art name.
P.E.	Havana Wilson	For displaying good RIPPER values in P.E.
School Captains Award	Alexis Walsh	In recognition of showing empathy towards others.

Bushies Bun-Raiser 2020



Orders and money MUST be returned to the school office by this Friday, 21st February. Buns will be available for collection from school on Tuesday, 3rd March.