

**Weekly Newsletter No 5**  
**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019**



Dear Parents,

Last week we held our first Junior School Council (JSC) meeting with each of the representatives from the six grades. We spoke about the role of the JSC and their expectations. One of our first days that JSC will have is a Dress Up day to be held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April. For this Dress Up day, we are asking students to come dressed as anything that begins with the letter E or G. This may be a character or animal that begins with either letter, something to do with Easter, a movie or anything that takes your imagination. We are asking students who do come dressed up for a GOLD coin donation that will go to the JSC. The JSC will also be holding a guess the lollies in the jar competition for 50c per guess.

Over the next few weeks, we have teachers who are travelling to Melbourne to take part in some initiatives from funding made available to us from the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Black Saturday Bushfires. They are exciting initiatives that will benefit not only those teachers, but the entire school, as they will then share their knowledge with others in the school. As always, we attempt to fill the grade with one replacement teacher but this is proving to be more difficult as our relief teacher pool is ever diminishing.

A reminder to please constantly check your child's hair for head lice. Regular treatment and checks are the only way to stop the spread of these little creatures. Below is some information. We will try and organise some school wide checks. If you are interested in becoming an approved parent checker here at school, please see Karyn or myself.

**What are head lice?**

- Head lice have been around for many thousands of years.
- Anyone can get head lice and given the chance head lice move from head to head without discrimination.
- Head lice are small, wingless, blood sucking insects. Their colour varies from whitish-brown to reddish-brown.
- Head lice do not have wings or jumping legs so they cannot fly or jump from head to head. They can only crawl. People get head lice from direct hair to hair contact with another person who has head lice.

Monday's assembly should be exciting with 3 students committing themselves to the World's Greatest Shave. There is information attached to the newsletter.

We are currently organizing a replacement day for our House Sports. These will now be held at school given the unavailability of Harold Preston Park in Traralgon. It will be held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March and take place at school and the surrounding area. More information will be given next week. For those who paid \$3 for the bus for the House Sports, this will be credited to your account here at school. Unfortunately we cannot give remuneration back, but this amount can be used for something else during the year.

**Adam Downes - Principal**

**WINTER NETBALL**

Registration for winter netball is now open. If you have a child who is 8 years and over and would like to play netball on a Saturday morning in the Traralgon netball association competition please let Karen Pettifer now, as teams will be formed over the next week. Please contact Karen on 0417318538 if you wish to know more.

<b>DATES TO REMEMBER</b>		
15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Fri	Traralgon South Pre School Easter bun orders due in
18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Mon	World's Greatest Shave - part of assembly - approx. 9:00am
19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Tue	District Sports in Traralgon
25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Mon	House Sports - to be held here at Traralgon South Oval
		School Council AGM - 7:00pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	Wed	Junior School Council Letter E or G Dress Up Day - Gold coin donation
5 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Fri	End of Term 1 - Early dismissal at 1:30pm

## DISTRICT ATHLETICS SPORTS NEXT TUESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

The District Sports are being held next Tuesday at Harold Preston Park on Davidson Street, Traralgon. As per the permission form previously returned to school, no changes to be made regarding return to school on bus/being picked up from sports, unless an urgent situation arises. If, on the day, a change does need to be made for an urgent reason, please contact me on 0418 752 854. There will be no access for staff to Class Dojo messages or emails. Again, all travelling arrangement alterations to come through myself, not through staff members or other parents, on the day.

In the event the sports are to be postponed, parents will be notified as early as possible. For those students catching the bus, departure from school as close to 9:00am as possible but by 9:10am and return time will be approximate 3:00pm. If you are picking students up from the ground please be there by 2:30pm so they can be signed out.

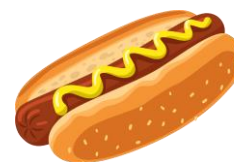
Weather can be extreme so please pack accordingly. Students are to wear school tops, shorts and runners and **MUST** wear their school hat. They will need a packed lunch with plenty of water to drink and will also need sunscreen.

Below is the list of items from which students can purchase (break times permitting). We recommend students bring their own lunch as the queues can be long and they may not have time to purchase and eat a hot dog!

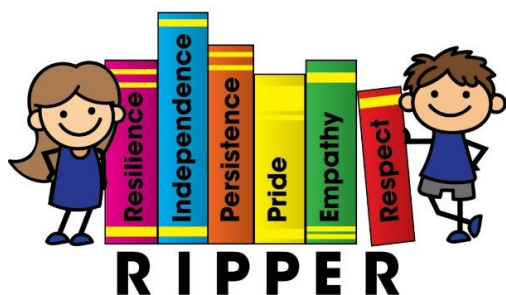
### Glengarry District Athletics Canteen Menu Catered by Gormandale & District P.S Parents Club



HOT DOGS	\$2.50
PADDLE POPS	\$2.50
ICY TWISTS	\$1.50
ZOOPER DOOPER	\$1.00
ORANGE JUICE	\$2.00
APPLE JUICE	\$2.00
WATER	\$1.50
ASSORTED CHIPS	\$1.50



### Student Awards - Week Ending 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019



Prep	Lola Phelan	For becoming more confident in her ability and showing she can be a fantastic independent learner.
1	Mia Prior	For her fantastic effort and persistence with reading.
2/3	Tom Ottery	For showing independence and persistence in playing the place value "Build A Flat" game.
3/4	Mia Jones	For showing persistence and resilience with her learning.
4/5	Alika Perry	For always showing all her RIPPER values throughout her learning and with others.
P.E.	Roman Sturre	For showing persistence in P.E. to learn triple jump.
	Harry Thomas	For showing persistence to learn juggling.

Alice and Abby from Year 5 and Dan from Year 4 are all participating in the World's Greatest Shave on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019 as a part of assembly, to raise vital funds for the Leukaemia Foundation to support more than 100,000 Australians currently living with blood cancers like leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma. We thank Kate White, Owner of Meraki who is donating her time and skills to colour, cut and shave Alice's, Abby's and Dan's hair.

Every day, another 35 Australians are diagnosed with a blood cancer and sadly an Australian will lose their life to the disease every 41 minutes.

Leukaemia Foundation CEO Bill Petch said every single person who signs up to the World's Greatest Shave is making a difference and is integral to helping fund a future where blood cancer is no longer a death sentence.

"These people are extraordinary Australians who are helping others less fortunate than themselves. It shows enormous bravery, resilience and empathy to shave their heads in support of someone living with a blood cancer." Mr Petch said.

Funds raised through World's Greatest Shave is critical to help the Leukaemia Foundation continue to support all local families affected by blood cancer through advocating for equal access to new therapies and treatments as well as providing educational, emotional and practical support such as transport and accommodation, all at no cost.

For more information, or to sponsor Alice, Abby and Dan, please place your donations in the boxes at the school office and the Traralgon South General Store or visit [www.worldsgreatestshave.com](http://www.worldsgreatestshave.com) or phone 1800 500 088.

#### **ABOUT World's Greatest Shave**

**WHAT:** The Leukaemia Foundation's World's Greatest Shave began 21 years ago in Lismore NSW and was inspired by a daughter's love for her father who was battling leukaemia. Today, the event is one of Australia's biggest and most-loved fundraising events.

**WHY:** Blood cancer is the third most common cause of cancer death in Australia, claiming more lives than breast cancer or melanoma. Funds raised will help fund ground-breaking research and support local families affected by blood cancer through advocating for equal access to new therapies and treatments as well as providing educational, emotional and practical support such as transport and accommodation. All support and services are provided free of charge.

**WHO:** More than 20,000 extraordinary Aussies of all ages will get involved this year. Some have a personal connection to blood cancer while others take part to challenge themselves for the greater good.

**WHAT'S NEW:** A massive 27,500 kilograms of hair is estimated to have been shaved and cut over 20 years. With ponytails over 20cm long going back to make wigs for cancer patients, in 2019 the World's Greatest Shave has partnered with Sustainable Salons ANZ to ensure all hair can be re-used, with shorter hair donated to be used in 'hair booms' to soak up oil spills in ocean waters.

**FUN FACT:** Hundreds of sporting champions and celebrities have shaved, cut or coloured their hair throwing their support alongside every day Australians including Kerrie-Anne Kennerley, Steve Irwin with his family, Larry Emdur, Tex Walker, Shane Crawford, Andrew Symonds, Meshel Laurie and the Block heads from channel 9 TV Show The Block Steve O'Donnell and Chantelle Ford.



