



PRINCIPAL REPORT – WEEK 6 TERM 1 2020

It was lovely to present our student leaders with their badges at our whole school assembly earlier this week, officially recognising them in their respective roles for the coming year. We were fortunate to be joined by Russell Northe, Member for Morwell, to support these presentations and hear from him as he shared his insights on leadership. With our House Athletics scheduled for next week (Wednesday 11 March), this will provide a timely opportunity for our House Captains to demonstrate and develop their leadership skills.

For those unaware, one of our goals for 2020 centres around student voice and agency. One crucial aspect of this goal relates to increasing the profile of our student leaders and providing meaningful opportunities for *all* students to contribute towards the ongoing improvement of *their* school. Whilst we have provided formal leadership opportunities for an elected portion of our student body, every student is encouraged to contribute to this work, and I look forward to strengthening this culture as the year progresses. There are some additional elements related to this improvement piece that are still in their developmental phases, so stay tuned for further updates.

Finally, our Parents & Friends team are about to launch their first fundraiser for the year. Like our student leaders, they are busily identifying a calendar of events and fundraising targets for our school community to work towards, ensuring all funds raised go back to our students and their school. Sent home with this newsletter is a catalogue, a cover letter and an order form for their “Fundraising With Bulbs” initiative. Please take the time to familiarise yourself with this information and support this event wherever you can.

Please be advised there will unfortunately be no canteen services available at the House Athletics Sports Carnival on Wednesday 11 March. Please send your child with enough food and drink to last them for the day. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. If you have elected to pick up your child/children at the conclusion of the sports, please ensure you sign them out via their classroom teacher.

Take care,

Joel Blythman

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

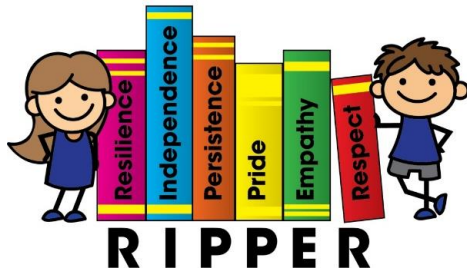
CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. Card must have been current on 29/1/20.

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

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9 th Mar	Mon	Labour Day Public Holiday
11 th Mar	Wed	School House Sports in Traralgon - Whole School
16 th Mar	Mon	School Council AGM & Meeting
17 th Mar	Tue	District Sports in Traralgon - Years 4 to 6 only
24 th Mar	Tue	School Photos

RIPPER Student Awards - Week Ending 28th February 2020



Prep/1	Mattias Preston	For showing great independence in following classroom routines.
1/2	Thomas Wilhelm	For an excellent effort and attitude towards all learning tasks.
2/3	Hollie Kamphuis	For showing pride and independence in her learning.
3/4	Mia Jones	For being a kind and empathetic member of our class.
5/6	Lucas Nicholls	For being inclusive and showing empathy towards his classmates.
Art/Music	Layla Nicholls & Bentley Haverkamp	For taking pride in their art work by carefully following instructions.
P.E.	Harvey Hodgson	For excellent listening and participating in P.E.
School Captains Award	Seth Perry	In recognition for always being a good friend, always helping when needed and always showing all RIPPER values.

Start Smart Money Program Reports by Grade 1/2

Grade 1 /2 went to the money program in the multi-purpose room. We learned about money and Lisa, that was a person from 'Start Smart' taught us about coins and notes. If you put your hands on your head you need the thing that was held up on a picture.

By Thomas Wilhelm

On Friday the whole grade went to the multi-purpose room to see Lisa. She came to teach the grade about Start Smart. A little bit later she turned into Captain Cash. Before the grade left we did a treasure hunt to find a note.

By Havanna Timmerman

Lisa dressed up as Captain Cash to teach our grade about money. She wants coins and notes because she loves money. If you want something you put your hands on your hips and if you need something you put your hands on your head.

By Kyah Dalrymple

