

Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a nice extra long weekend. Our Professional Learning session on Friday was well received by all that attended and helped improve our understanding of how to work with families from our wide cross section of backgrounds. I think I can get used to having 4 day weeks!!

World's Greatest Shave

It was great to see Lachy Mathews and Austin Morrall shave their heads for the World's Greatest Shave last Thursday. We certainly have two different looking boys in our school now. Esther Miljons also joined in on the weekend colouring her hair for the cause. Together the 3 students have raised well in excess of \$600 and there is still time to donate. Head to www.worldsgreatestshave.com and search for the students name to donate. Each one of the students participated for their own commendable reasons. Some have had unfortunate dealings with Cancer and Leukaemia while others just wanted to do their bit. We applaud any student who is willing to step out of their comfort zone and help raise awareness for causes such as this. Well done guys.

School Council

With ballots now closing we still have one more available space for a parent to join School Council. Serving on School Council can be very rewarding as we drive the future direction of the school and manage the school finances in the best way to deliver outcomes for students. If you, or if you know of someone that may be interested in joining School Council, please come in and see me.

District Aths Sports

Tomorrow sees us back in Traralgon for our sports day with other smaller district schools. We will be catching the bus again to arrive as a school and travelling back to school via bus. If you are intending to come and watch, please park over in the soccer car park off Franklin Street. This will make it safer for students. Also if you intend to pick up your child from the sports, you will need to find Karyn who will have a class checklist. This will then be given to the teacher prior to

catching the bus back to school. This system is constantly being tweaked as we endeavour to improve our processes.

After School Care

My apologies for not sending the 'Expression of Interest' form home last week. I am working with the provider to ensure that we have the 100% correct details for families to make an informed choice. It's likely this form will be sent later this week.

Newsletter Day Change

From Term 2, we will be sending out the newsletter on a Wednesday instead of Tuesday. This change has been necessary due to high work loads on the Tuesdays where staff rotate meeting with me every week and we discuss achievement data and our school improvement agenda.

Adam Downes – Principal

THE BONGO BROTHERS – SCHOOL INCURSION

We will be having a performance by The Bongo Brothers on Wednesday 23rd March in the afternoon. The cost for this incursion is \$6.00 per student which needs to be paid before the day. Details about the show are below:



A multicultural slapstick musical journey around the world with comic trio The Bongo Brothers, 'In Quest for the Ultimate Rhythm'. The Bongo Brothers are "Mongo", the music-maestro, "Drongo", a cartooning bass guitarist and their baby brother "Bongo", a complete idiot. Put them together, seeking "The Ultimate Rhythm" and you have a recipe for disaster.

Through the use of cartoons, imagination and music we travel from the jungles of Africa, meeting belly dancers in Egypt, to an outback road trip in Australia, a voyage on a pirate ship, sky dives into a 'Samba' filled South American soccer stadium and street beats from the birth place of jazz - New Orleans. An experience jam packed full of laughter, cartoons and a heart stopping finale.

~ Yvonne Game ~

| DATES TO REMEMBER | | |
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| 16 th Mar | Wed | District Sports - \$2.00 per student for bus |
| 18 th Mar | Fri | JSC Easter Themed Dress Up/Casual Clothes Day |
| 23 rd Mar | Wed | School Photos |
| | | Bongo Brothers Incursion - \$6.00 per student |
| 24 th Mar | Thu | End of Term 1 – Early Dismissal 1:30pm – Junior School Council Raffle Drawn at assembly |
| 11 th Apr | Mon | Term 2 begins |

C.A.T.S. JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB PRESENTATION NIGHT

A presentation night will be held on Friday 18th March 2016 at 6pm for all current U12 & U14 players at the C.A.T.S C.C club rooms Traralgon South. The evening will reflect on the great 2015 /16 season had by all. A BBQ tea will be served with the club providing the meat and families attending are asked to bring a salad to share on the evening. B.Y.O drinks for adults as the bar will be closed on the evening.

Parents, grandparents and siblings are all welcome to attend the function. Could all players that have not returned their club playing shirt to date please bring it along on the night. For catering purposes could families advise numbers attending (adults & children). Reply to C.A.T.S Cricket Club Junior Coordinator, Tony Harrup on mobile phone 0428 955340.



Reminder School Photos Next Wednesday 23rd March



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JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL BUNNY EARS/CASUAL CLOTHES DAY

This Friday 18th March, the Junior School Council will have an Easter themed dress up/casual clothes day. As in past years, we are asking for donations of Easter eggs and/or other Easter chocolate treats for prizes in our end of term Easter raffle. Any donation would be greatly appreciated.

Books of raffle tickets have been sent home previously and there are more available from the office if you would like them. Please return ticket stubs and money asap. Prizes will be drawn at the end of term assembly on Thursday 24th March.



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