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PRINCIPAL REPORT...

Smile Squad:

Smile Squad is a Victorian Government program that provides free dental care to all primary, secondary and specialist school students enrolled in government schools across Victoria. Smile Squad will be visiting our school in the future but are not ready just yet.

In the next few days your child will receive a Smile Squad dental pack. The pack includes all the tools your child needs for good oral health – a full sized tube of toothpaste, a toothbrush, and a brochure full of helpful hints and tips for a healthy smile.

For more information on the program you can visit the Smile Squad website at: www.smilesquad.vic.gov.au.

Mother's Day Stall:

On Friday 12 May, we will be conducting our Mother's Day Stall fundraiser. This will be conducted from 2pm-3:30pm, with all students provided an opportunity to visit the stall with their grade. We are fortunate to have a large amount of stock for this fundraiser, however I have had several inquiries from families who would like to donate items to support. In response, we are very appreciative of any items that families would like to donate, however I am quite conscious of the cost of living pressures many are facing and the reasons for those who choose not to.

As a rough estimate, indicative prices for individual items at the stall will be approximately \$1-\$5. Thank you also to those who have already volunteered to assist with the supervision and running of this event, it is greatly appreciated.

Head Lice:

As an extension of this topic covered in my previous Principal Report, we are continuing to experience a mini outbreak of head lice, primarily in the junior grades. As a school, we are required to follow the Department of Education and Training's [head lice policy](#) to support the

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control of head lice, and within this process, we ask all families (not just those linked to our junior grades) to maintain a greater level of vigilance to help break the cycle entirely.

Take care,

Joel Blythman

DATES TO REMEMBER...

8 th May	Monday	Payment and Forms Due for the Years 5 & 6 Camp – Phillip Island - \$323 per student
		School Council Meeting
9 th May	Tuesday	District Cross Country
		Online Scholastic LOOP Book Club Orders Close
12 th May	Friday	Mother's Day Stall
16 th May	Tuesday	Student Free Day
17 th May	Wednesday	Division Cross Country
29 th May – 31 st May	Monday - Wednesday	Years 5 & 6 Camp – Phillip Island

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RIPPER STUDENT AWARDS...



Prep/1	Shiloh F	For consistently being organised and ready to listen and learn.
1/2	Bobby D	For taking pride in his work at all times. Well done Bobby.
2/3	Mattias P	For his persistence with difficult learning tasks and solving maths equations that were too hard for his teacher.
4/5	Connor H	For always making good choices in class and being respectful to everyone.
5/6	Grace B	For always showing empathy to those around her. She loves helping out whenever she can.
Art	Elliot L	For demonstrating great persistence to learn how to tie a knot.
PE	Liam P	For his excellent persistence and confidence during the cross country run.
Auslan	Caleb P	For his excellent independence and helpfulness during Auslan.
School Captains	Elliot L	For helping others and cleaning up the yard.

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MONDAY
15TH
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GIPPSLAND
TECH
SCHOOL

EDUCATION WEEK

at Gippsland Tech School
From 4:30pm - 6:00pm

Move Make Motivate

Workshops | Games | Activities
And a Lot More...

For more info:
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To celebrate this year's Education Week, Gippsland Tech School will be hosting an open night on Monday 15th May. This event is open to the public, where you can come and explore the school and learn more about what we do, as well as take part in a range of activities being run by our facilitators and a range of industry partners.

There are also a small range of after school programs we will be running this term, aimed at grade 5/6s. For more information go to <https://www.gippslandtechschool.vic.edu.au/events/>

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