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## PRINCIPAL REPORT...

### Long Service Leave:

To provide advance notice to families, in the final two weeks of Term 2 (Tuesday 13 June – Friday 23 June) I will be on long service leave. Pleasingly, both Ruth Bone and Ben Rilen are willing to provide leadership support to our school community during my absence, and with a combination of creative timetabling and flexibility from our wider staff team, we have been able to limit the amount of disruption this then causes on their own grades. The Acting Principal coverage is outlined below, though please note on various days within this two-week period Ruth and/or Ben will be teaching themselves, so their availability will be reduced slightly.

Tuesday 13 June – Friday 16 June: Ruth Bone

Monday 19 June – Friday 23 June: Ben Rilen

### Working With Children Checks:

Linked to various Department of Education policies around [Visitors](#) and [Volunteers](#), please be reminded about ensuring your Working With Children Check cards remain current. Additionally, holders of these cards are encouraged to update their personal details via their MyCheck account to include the name of our school, ensuring all records are kept up to date.

For those without a Working With Children Check card, we encourage you to obtain one this via this [link](#). This will allow you to undertake child-related work in Victoria, and where applicable and necessary, volunteer at our school.

### Traralgon South Pre-School:

Unfortunately, the neighbouring Pre-School have experienced several bouts of vandalism over the previous month, with a range of items damaged and broken beyond repair in their yard. This is quite disappointing, especially given it requires individual(s) to deliberately climb over their fence to gain access to this space. At their request, this news is being shared here to help provide increased awareness of this unwelcomed behaviour to our wider community, with the hope that as a collective, we can provide an increased level of vigilance and support to the Pre-School and their children.

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## Student Teacher:

Since the beginning of this term, we have had the pleasure of hosting Brittney Paulet as a student teacher in the Grade 2/3 classroom. Brittney's placement concludes this week and on behalf of the wider school community, I would like to thank Brittney for her dedication to the role over this time and would like to wish her all the very best for her remaining studies.

## NDIS:

I have recently been contacted by a member of Latrobe Community Health, as they are partnering with the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) and would like to offer our school community an opportunity to discuss how the NDIS may be able to support your child(ren). More specifically, this might include a pop-up NDIS Information Stall at our school where families who have (or potentially may have) children on the NDIS can seek more specific information and assistance. They are quite willing to come out to our school even if we have only one family who will connect with this opportunity, so if this is of interest to you, please let me know and we can discuss the particulars further.

## School Vegetable Garden:

As mentioned in earlier editions of The RIPPER Times, we have been fortunate to have the support of Kassie Meall to assist our students rejuvenate our vegetable gardens. This work has been linked to our students learning about sustainability and it has been great to see many of our RIPPER values on display as our children work in the garden. Through the efforts of Kassie and Ruth Bone, we have also been fortunate to receive some incredible donations from The Diggers Club and Bunnings, with various seedlings and seeds, worm farms, greenhouses, garden stakes and the like providing welcomed resources to these valuable learning experiences.

Take care,

Joel Blythman

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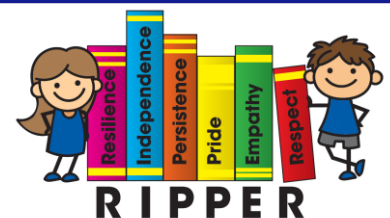
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## DATES TO REMEMBER...

24 <sup>th</sup> May	Wednesday	Cut Off Day for Payments and Permission for Grades Prep/1 & 1/2 GPAC Excursion - \$20 per student
29 <sup>th</sup> May – 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Monday - Wednesday	Years 5 & 6 Camp – Phillip Island
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Monday	Online LOOP Book Club Orders Close (all orders to be placed via LOOP platform only)
		School Council Meeting
12 <sup>th</sup> June	Monday	King's Birthday Public Holiday
13 <sup>th</sup> June	Tuesday	Grades Prep/1 & 1/2 GPAC Excursion – Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge

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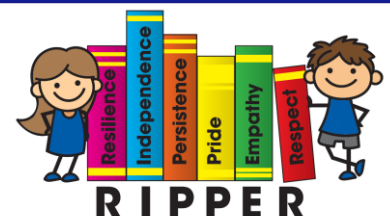
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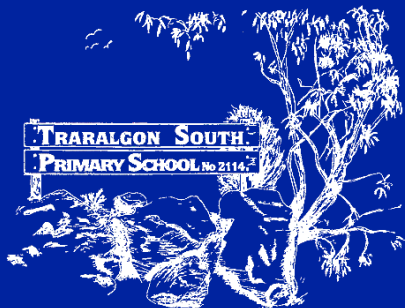


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## RIPPER STUDENT AWARDS...



Prep/1	Joshua S	For demonstrating empathy and kindness by helping others.
1/2	Aubrey S	For regulating her emotions and starting her learning with a smile.
2/3	Oliver M	For making a great effort to complete learning tasks and showing independence when finished.
4/5	Jordan B	For being a respectful classmate and always including others.
5/6	Emma B	For being such a positive role model during our buddies activity. Your leadership and honesty were outstanding.
Art	Emma B	For persistence in learning the knot tying skills of macrame.
	Myla S	For confidently attempting her running stitch in Art.
Principal	Ben H & Georgia C	For their outstanding contributions whilst on work experience.
School Captains	Lillie G	For picking up rubbish at lunchtime.

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## New emergency care option for the Latrobe Valley

Latrobe Priority Primary Care Centre (PPCC) provides free GP-led care to people who need urgent care, but not an emergency response.

They provide urgent care for injuries and illnesses including:


- mild to moderate infections
- fever
- pain when urinating
- suspected fractures and sprains
- back and muscle pain
- minor cuts, burns, and insect or animal bites
- heartburn, vomiting, nausea
- headaches, migraines and brief fainting
- constipation, diarrhoea, abdominal pain
- allergies and rashes
- light bleeding in the first trimester of pregnancy
- mild to moderate asthma attacks, coughs and other respiratory symptoms

No appointment is needed.

The Latrobe PPCC may prove a better alternative to the hospital emergency department for you and your family if you need urgent – but non-life threatening – care.

The key details are:

- Opening hours: 7 days per week, from 7:30am to 11:30pm
- Address: 42-44 Fowler Street, Moe
- Phone number: 5127 9111
- Billing: **Bulk Billed**
- Learn more: <https://www.lchs.com.au/services/general-health/latrobe-priority-primary-care-centre-ppcc/>



Latrobe  
**Priority Primary  
Care Centre** 

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