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PRINCIPAL REPORT...

Father's Day Stall:

With the amazing support from a small team of parent helpers, on Friday 3 September we will be conducting our annual Father's Day Stall. Students will be taken to the stall grade-by-grade and provided an opportunity to purchase item(s) for their father (or another special person). Wherever possible, we ask parents to please send a carry bag with your child on the day.

We have a number of items to sell, however we would appreciate any donated goods to help provide more choice for students. We deliberately keep all sale items at a low price point (generally less than \$5), so we ask for this to be kept in mind when donating goods. Donated items can be left at the General Office.

All monies raised from the Father's Day Stall will contribute towards the upgrade of basketball backboards and rings in the school grounds.

Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey:

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of parents/caregivers/guardians (previously known as the Parent Opinion Survey). This year, all parents/caregivers/guardians at our school are invited to participate, and every parent/caregiver/guardian has been privately messaged the survey link on Class Dojo (note: only one parent/caregiver/guardian from each family is invited to complete the survey).

This survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All responses to the survey are anonymous.

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The survey will be conducted online, only takes 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English.

Please come and see me if you would like more information.

Cubby Roof:

We have noticed a growing number of students climbing on the cubby roof in recent weeks, and we have asked our students to cease doing so and instead climb on the adjacent play equipment designed for this purpose. Occasionally, some students have been climbing on the roof of the cubby before and/or after school, and we politely request parents support us in also asking students to not do so.

Take care

Joel Blythman

PLEASE BE REMINDED OF OUR REQUIREMENTS TO ASK ANY PERSON, INCLUDING PARENTS, TO WEAR A MASK AND TO SIGN IN TO THE SCHOOL USING THE VICTORIAN GOVERNMENT QR CODE SERVICE. THIS APPLIES UPON ENTRY TO ANY SCHOOL BUILDING, IRRESPECTIVE OF HOW LONG YOU ARE INSIDE. QR POSTERS ARE ON DISPLAY AT MAIN ENTRANCES AND WE KINDLY ASK YOU PLEASE SUPPORT US WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS.

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DATES TO REMEMBER...

20th & 23rd August	Friday & Monday	Life Ed Sessions (Each grade)
25th August	Wednesday	Book Week Dress Up and Activity Day
27th August	Friday	Online Book Club Orders Close
3rd September	Friday	Father's Day Stall
17th September	Friday	Student Free Day (Last day of Term 3)
4th October	Monday	First day of Term 4
1st November	Monday	Student Free Day

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BOOK WEEK

Dress Up Day
Wednesday 25th August



On Wednesday 25th August, we will be holding our Book Week Dress Up Day where students are invited to dress up in the theme of book week, 'Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds', or as a character from their favourite book. Students will participate in a day filled with fun activities, including a whole school parade (COVID guidelines will apply). We look forward to seeing some amazing costumes and thank you for your support.

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RIPPER STUDENT AWARDS...



Grade P/1	Kenzie M	For trying her best and identifying her strengths and weaknesses in her self-reflection.
Grade 1/2	Oliver M	For showing greater persistence and independence when completing his work.
Grade 2/3	Ruby O	For displaying determination, persistence and independence to write a thrilling story!
Grade 4/5	Rohan P	For showing pride and persistence in the publishing of his book.
Grade 5/6	Alika P	For her conscientious approach to all of her learning. She is always a focused and on task.
Music	Jack R	For always demonstrating the RIPPER values in our music lessons.
PE	Bowie R	For always displaying a positive attitude during PE. Your empathy is fabulous.
School Captains	TSPS Basketball Teams	For exceeding our expectations to follow the RIPPER values in the basketball games.

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TSPS Recycling

Hello T.S.P.S. families!

Did you know that you can recycle bread tags, soft plastics and plastic bottle tops?

If you already did, that's great, you will be familiar with the process. If you didn't know, that's also great because now all of this plastic won't be going to landfill.

These are the places that they'll be going (the pictures below).

For the rest of term three, TSPS families are being asked to collect their bread tags, soft plastics and plastic bottle tops and bring to school to be recycled!



There are collection points in each classroom!

Together we can make a difference to our environment!



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Are you interested in playing Basketball?

The 2021-2022 summer season for the Traralgon Basketball competition is fast approaching and St Michaels Basketball Club is currently recruiting players across all age groups, all abilities and all experience levels.

Age Category Birth Year

U10 – 2014/2013

U12 – 2012/2011

U14 – 2010/2009

Visit our Facebook page and complete the Expression of Interest Form or email StMichaelsBasketball1@gmail.com with players name, DOB and playing history.

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