



THE RIPPER TIMES

Weekly Newsletter of Traralgon South Primary School

PRINCIPAL REPORT...

Billy Cart Project:

Last week concluded with the culminating event of our Billy Cart project, the increasingly popular Billy Cart Derby! With the incredible support of the Traralgon South Men's Shed, this is the second year this event has been conducted for our Grade 5/6 students and we are so appreciative of their support, as it allows us to provide a wonderful community event that strengthens connections between our students, staff, parents, and local community organisations. Most importantly, our children are provided an opportunity to simply have fun (and without a screen or device to entertain them!). Later in this edition of The RIPPER Times is an article written by the students themselves, and I encourage you to read this also.

Murray's Mullet Shave:

This term, Murray R (Year 5) has been conducting a fundraiser to support the *Carrie's Beanies for Brain Cancer* charity. In addition to seeking donations for shaving his mullet, this involved selling raffle tickets to students for the opportunity to spray paint his shaved head in the design of a beanie. Yesterday morning, our school came together on the undercover court to support Murray, with Jace S (Year 6) being the lucky raffle winner. As an added surprise, there was a second raffle ticket drawn, with Mr Rilen bravely allowing his head to be spray painted as well, with Jordan B (Year 4) being the lucky winner here.

All donations are yet to be counted, but indicative amounts suggest Murray has raised almost \$1000 for his efforts, supporting scientists to find a cure to brain cancer. This is an outstanding achievement, and we are all extremely proud of Murray for his RIPPER efforts!

If you would like to donate or buy a \$5 beanie to support this great cause, please visit our General Office as soon as possible.

2024 Planning:

Typically, schools begin formalising their planning for the coming year at the end of Term 3/beginning of Term 4. One aspect of this planning involves grade structures and student placement. I encourage families to familiarise yourselves with our [Class Placement Policy](#), and

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more specifically, ask families submit any requests for class placements as per this policy to me by 1 November 2023. No late submissions will be accepted.

Gippsland Primary Region Track & Field:

Well done to two of our students who competed at the Gippsland Region Primary School track & field finals in Moe last week.

Liam P finished 3rd in the 9-10 year old 100m event with a time of 16.33 seconds, and 6th in the 9-10 year old 800m with a time of 2:50.49.

Thomas W finished 11th in the 9-10 year old Triple Jump with a jump of 7.09m, and 12th in the 9-10 year old Long Jump with a distance of 3.15m.

Congratulations to both students - you have done a RIPPER job and we are very proud of your efforts!



Take care,
Joel Blythman

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DATES TO REMEMBER...

30 th October	Monday	Sausage Sizzle Graduation Fundraiser Lunch
31 st October – 15 th November	Various Days	Whole School Swimming Program
6 th November	Monday	Student Free Day
7 th November	Tuesday	Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday
8 th December	Friday	Whole School End of Year Excursion – Details to follow
12 th December	Tuesday	Statewide Orientation Day
18 th December	Monday	End of Year Concert – 7:00pm
20 th December	Wednesday	Last day of Term 4 – Early Dismissal - 1:00pm

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RIPPER STUDENT AWARDS...



Prep/1	George W	For being an enthusiastic learner and consistently displaying persistence and independence.
1/2	Archer M	For a positive attitude towards his learning and being a fantastic 'dictionary' with new vocabulary.
2/3	Kaylee P	For showing independence and persistence in learning tasks.
4/5	Jake K	For enthusiasm during Literacy Pro reading quizzes and striving towards high level results.
5/6	Errol F	For always having a positive attitude in the classroom, both towards your work and your classmates.
Music	Violet M	For her excellent responses and knowledge of the string instruments in the orchestra.
School Captains	Malachi D & Nathaniel R	For helping Miss Bone in the veggie patch.

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On Friday the 20th of October the Grade 5/6 class had a Billy Cart derby. The team that came first was *KFC* with Mia, Tyler, and Nathaniel. Second was *Madagascar* with Emma and Hollie, the most RIPPER student was Emma for being a RIPPER student during the whole Billy Cart project, and the team with the best design was *Too Fast And Too Furious* with Harvey and Amelia. The track the Men's Shed created looked and was awesome, we all loved driving/pushing on the track. It was an amazing day for all students that participated and watched while they cheered on. We would like to thank the Traralgon South Men Shed and all their volunteers for all the donations they gave our school, teachers for helping out and pulling it together, the people that helped set it up, and Latrobe City for their support with the poles for the parking lanes.

By Amelia and Grace





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HALLOWEEN CUPCAKE CREATIONS

FOR YOUR LITTLE HORRORS

TRARALGON NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE
SATURDAY 28TH OF OCT AND SUNDAY THE 29TH OCT
10.30 TO 12PM OR 1PM - 2.30PM

DESIGNED FOR 5 TO 12YR OLDS
BOOK NOW TO SECURE YOUR SPOT FOR YOUR CHILD IN OUR
HALLOWEEN CUPCAKE CREATION CLASS AS EACH CLASS IS LIMITED TO
10 PARTICIPANTS
EACH CHILD WILL DECORATE A SET OF 6 BOXED CUPCAKES



\$35 PER CHILD
PH 51746199 TO BOOK YOUR PLACE

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