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Weekly Newsletter of Traralgon South Primary School

PRINCIPAL REPORT...

2024 Student Leadership Opportunities:

Over the previous few weeks, our senior students have been provided an opportunity to strongly consider applying for a leadership role for next year. This has included unpacking the responsibilities associated with being a House Captain and/or School Captain, the attributes of a strong student leader, self-reflections on areas for growth and improvement, and considerations of individual strengths a student themselves might bring to the position. This Friday, our candidates will present their speeches to their peers for consideration, with all children provided an opportunity to feed into the election process by voting for their preferred candidates.

Alongside the first stage as outlined above, student attendance, their attitude and disposition within the classroom and yard, the demonstration of our RIPPER values, and other qualities such as initiative and trustworthiness (amongst others) are included within the final decision-making process. Where considered necessary, students may also be invited for a short interview to discuss their leadership application, prior to a final outcome being reached.

We wish our student candidates all the very best for their speeches later this week, and we are confident they will do themselves and our school proud. As per previous years, our elected School Captains for 2024 will be announced at our end-of-year concert (Monday 18 December), and our House Captains will be announced at our assembly on the final day of Term 4 (Wednesday 20 December).

The process associated with electing our Junior School Councillors will be undertaken in early 2024, allowing our incoming Prep students an opportunity to be a part of this process as these leadership positions are representative of each grade, and they too may like to elect themselves for consideration in representing their classmates in this role.

Take care,

Joel Blythman

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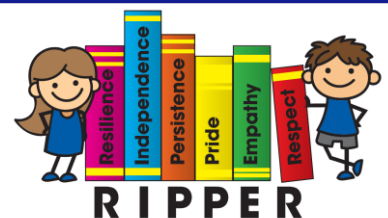
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DATES TO REMEMBER...

1 st December	Friday	\$22 payment and forms due for EOY Excursion
8 th December	Friday	Whole School End of Year Excursion – Inflatable World/Moe Apex Park
12 th December	Tuesday	Statewide Orientation Day
13 th December	Wednesday	Final day to purchase uniforms from the school
14 th December	Thursday	Year 6 Celebration Day
15 th December	Friday	Year 6 Graduation Evening
18 th December	Monday	End of Year Concert – 7:00pm
20 th December	Wednesday	Last day of Term 4 – Early Dismissal - 1:00pm

School Uniform Sales

Due to having to do a stocktake, the final day for the purchase of school uniform items from the school will be Wednesday, 13th December. Items to be collected and paid for by this date please.

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RIPPER STUDENT AWARDS...



Prep/1	Marlee L	For always being happy to help others.
1/2	Myla S	For showing great organisation as a learner in MAPPEN and other theme work.
2/3	Isabel S	For an excellent effort in drafting and editing her Big Write procedure.
4/5	Buddy D	For being an inclusive team member during MAPPEN and practicing the skill of compromising.
5/6	Havana W	For her outstanding efforts during maths. She developed a RIPPER household budget!
School Captains	Thomas W & Liam P	For including all ages in games and making people feel welcome.

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Peaceful kids and Peaceful teens in 2024 in Traralgon!

Bookings for the Term 1 2024 Peaceful Kids program are now open. The program will be run by Nicole Leeder - a local primary teacher with 15 years' experience in the classroom and a Certified Peaceful Kids Facilitator. The program will run on Tuesday and Thursday nights in after school sessions in Traralgon in 3 age groups:

- Prep – 2
- Grades 3 – 6
- Junior high school (Peaceful Teens)

Peaceful Kids is a Mindfulness and Positive Psychology based program to lessen anxiety and stress and increase resilience in children. The program has been endorsed by Beyond Blue and is an accredited mindfulness program for children. The course runs for 8 weeks in small group of 4-6 children.

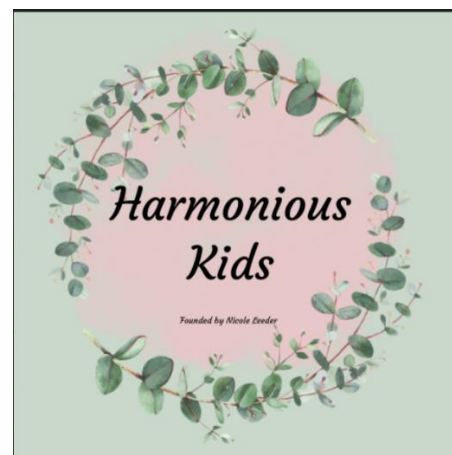
There are also some chill out sessions planned for the upcoming school holidays which are a great taster for the 8 week course. Link for booking - <https://www.trybooking.com/CHYSD>

All enquiries to Nicole Leeder:

by email – N.harmoniouskids@gmail.com Ph: 0455 253338

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The Peaceful kids program is fully claimable under NDIS if your child has funding under this program and the program can be delivered individually as well.



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