

2017 CALENDAR

August

Monday 21 st	Book Week
Tuesday 22 nd	Books for Kids
	
	Sale & District Athletics Day in Sale
Wednesday 23 rd	Book week Multi Age Day
Friday 25 th	Book Week Visits to Maffra Library 11.45am – 1 / 2 D and 1/ 2 A 1.00pm – 1/ 2 G and 1/ 2 B 1.45pm - Preps

Monday 28 th	Production Tickets go on sale
Thursday 31 st	Father's Day Stall - \$5 gifts

September

Tuesday 5 th	Transition Visit 1 for 2018 Preps from 9.30am – 10.30am
Thursday 21 st	School Production – Junkyard Band
Friday 22 nd	End of Term 3

October

Tuesday 10 th	Grade 6 Graduation Photo taken by MSP photography.
Thursday 12 th	Transition Visit 2 for 2018 Preps from 9.30am – 11.00am
Wednesday 25 th	Transition Visit 3 for 2018 Preps from 9.30am – 10.30am

November

Thursday 23 rd	Transition Visit 4 for 2018 Preps from 10.30am – 12.30pm
Saturday 25 th	Maffra PS 150 th Celebration Day

December

Thursday 7 th	Transition Visit 5 for 2018 Preps from 2.20pm – 3.20pm. 'Preparing for School' Information Night at 7pm.
--------------------------	---

Principal News

Naplan Results

All our Grade 3 and 5 families will receive their Naplan results today from testing completed last Term. Our staff team use these reports in conjunction with a range of other assessments to provide an overall profile of our students and their next point of learning. Please celebrate your Naplan results with your child and contact your teacher if you have any further questions.

I am very pleased to report that our Naplan growth is the highest it has been for a number of years and is above the state average in all areas. Growth is measured through comparing a student's results from Year 3 to 5. The results are as follows:

Area	State Average growth	Maffra Primary growth
Reading	75	89
Writing	54	77
Spelling	84	91
Grammar	62	85
Numeracy	92	104

These results are a credit to our staff and our students for their ongoing efforts in their learning. Thank you to our families for supporting our learners and we look forward to ongoing success in the future.

I will be handing out some special certificates at tomorrow's assembly relating to our Naplan results.

Book Week

Next week is book week at Maffra Primary School and a great opportunity to celebrate the importance of reading and love of literature. Next Wednesday all students are encouraged to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. Students will be placed in multi age groups and participate in a range of activities based on books chosen by the teachers. We look forward to a terrific day.

Maffra Secondary College Transition Visit

Our Grade 6's visited Maffra Secondary today as part of their transition program. These visits are very important for our senior students at this stage of the year as they begin to familiarise themselves with a secondary school setting. Please talk to your children about these visits and speak with your classroom teacher, the relevant secondary college, or myself if you have any concerns. It is extremely important that your child feels confident and prepared for their new school setting.

Sale and District Athletics Sports

Good luck to all our athletes who are competing in the Sale and District Athletics sports next Tuesday.

Matt Currie – Principal

Lost Property – Thanks to Mrs M, and David and Melissa Ahchow, who last Friday went through the lost property hanging on the hooks outside the office. Named items were returned to their owner, and un-named clothes were taken to the opportunity shop. Please make sure items of clothing are named and that your child takes responsibility for their clothing.

From Monday, un-named clothing will be left for a couple of weeks and then taken to the op shop. A large selection of second hand items are in the uniform shop for sale.

2018 Preps

If you have a child ready to enrol at Maffra Primary School in 2018 in our Prep classes, please call in to the office to pick up an enrolment form, or if you have an enrolment form, please drop it into the girls in the office. We are anticipating over 40 Preps for 2018 and we need to confirm this in order to begin planning 2018 grade structures. An up-to-date immunization certificate and your child's birth certificate are also required to be presented when enrolling your child.

Transition Visit 1 commences on Tuesday September 5th from 9.30am – 10.30am.

Music Notes – Caroline Monck

Congratulations to our Choir students who placed 2nd at the Yarram Eisteddfod last week. They sang beautifully. Well done! Congratulations to Evie and Matilda who performed violin solos and Charli who performed a vocal solo.



Junk Yard Band Production Rehearsals

Children who have a 'talking parts' in this year's school production would have received a note outlining rehearsals which begin next week. Please return the tear off slip and leave it at the office or give it to Mrs Monck.

Wednesday 23rd August from 3.30pm – 5.00pm – grade three and four students in scenes five, six and seven.

Wednesday 30th August from 3.30pm – 5.00pm – grade five and six students in scenes one, two, three and four.

Wednesday September 6th from 3.30pm – 5.00pm – grades three, four, five and six students – whole show.

Father Day Stall

Thursday August 31st – all gifts \$5

Mathletics Awards:

Gold – Annabelle Baxter, Paul East.

Silver - Shayla Cunnington, Olliver Allison.

Students of the week:

Shelby Stephenson – her enthusiastic and positive attitude towards school.

Tarna Heron – her grounded and vibrant energy that she channels into her learning and school culture.

Ethan Atkinson – being an expert at writing his numbers to 100.

Max Shirreffs – writing a great sizzling start about the fox who at the Gingerbread man.

Jack Morris – recognising that efforts leads to improvement. Well done with your angles Jack!

Winton Ochieng – planning and writing a fantastic narrative called 'Old Tom', using punctuation and wow words well!

Jasper Banner – fantastic effort to improve your reading and writing.

Kempsea Smith – her kindness and her amazing ability to care about her peers in the classroom.

Parent Direct Toy Catalogues are accompanying this newsletter. Orders need to be placed by the last day of this term, Friday September 22nd. Ordering sooner rather than later gives you the opportunity of purchasing gifts that you want, rather than it being out of stock, closer to Christmas. Orders can be placed on line or by sending cheques / money orders made payable to Parent Direct Pty Ltd. **No CASH!**

animalaid

TRIVIA NIGHT

Enjoy a night of trivia, silent auctions, games and so much more! Come dressed as an animal, the best dressed will win a prize!

23.09.2017
7pm for 7.30pm start
\$15 per person, Tables of 10
Maffra Community Sports Club Johnson St, Maffra.

Finger food available for \$5 per head (must be prebooked). Drinks at bar prices

To book call Animal Aid Gippsland on (03) 5144 5940 or visit us at 111 Hopkins Rd, Fulham