

2017 CALENDAR



September

Monday 11 th	150 th Planning meeting 6.30pm
Tuesday 12 th	School Council Meeting.
Friday 15 th	Footy Colours Day Cake Stall in Johnson Street Caravan.
Tuesday 19 th	Earn and Learn Program closes.
Thursday 21 st	School Production – Junkyard Band
Friday 22 nd	End of Term 3

October

Monday 9 th	First day of Term 4
Tuesday 10 th	Grade 6 Graduation Photo taken by MSP photography – 12 noon.
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.

Thanks to Tash Dowsett who spent yesterday visiting classes and taking photos of all the grades in costume. They all looked wonderful and were very excited to have an unofficial dress rehearsal. Our main cast have been very busy with last minute rehearsals and also enjoyed having some individual shots yesterday.



Student Views on Growth Mindset.

Over the last couple of weeks I have asked four students from every grade the following questions;

- 1) What is the difference between a fixed and growth mindset?
- 2) Have you participated in a 'think turn and talk' or 'talk partners' in the last 5 days?
- 3) Is your teacher trying to use the word 'learning' more in the classroom?
- 4) Does your teacher use 'wait time or think time' after asking a question to the class?
- 5) Can you explain any of the growth mindset posters that have been placed around the school?

The results were pleasing as they indicated that our students are developing an increased awareness of growth mindset more importantly are beginning to reflect on their role in the learning process. Some answers included:

'Fixed mindset is like when your feet get stuck and you can't move' – Grade Prep student

'I like talk partners because you get to find out what other people are thinking' – Grade 1/2 student

'I like the word learning better than the word work because work is something you finish to get out of the way. Learning goes on and on' – Grade 3/4 student

'Wait time encourages everyone in the class to think and it means that the teacher doesn't always choose the same people to answer questions'.

Production News

Included in this Newsletter is a copy of the arrangements for Thursday 21st. Please remember that students are not required to attend school until 1.00pm and will need to be picked up from the Entertainment Centre in Sale at the conclusion of the last performance. All students are required to attend school on the Friday.

We are only beginning our 'growth mindset' journey as a school and already we are beginning to see a shift in our student's opinions of themselves as learners.

Bike Theft

Unfortunately a bike has gone missing out of our bike shed between last Wednesday evening and Tuesday morning of this week. I am hoping that someone has accidentally taken the wrong bike home and would appreciate it being returned to school. The details of the bike are:

2009 White Kona dual shock mountain bike,
 Frame Number: H8EB68778
 (which is on the bottom of the crank under the bike)

Matt Currie – Principal

Junk Yard Band



Mathletics Awards:

Gold – Jordan Leighton.

Silver - Ruby Heyne, Jimmy Little, Zac Svenson.

Achievement Award – Chelsea Ikin, Evie Humphris, Ari Cater.

Students of the week:

Gabe Head – stepping up and putting in his best efforts during 'Fitness Friday' sessions.

Lahni Hocken – her fantastic improvement with her reading and writing.

Leila Roberts – a fantastic 'Indigenous Australian' project. Great preview research.

Connor Howson – a huge improvement in your knowledge of Australian money.

Will Missen – great understanding of our unit of work on money – giving correct change accurately.

Dylon Weegberg – huge improvements in your Reading Accuracy. Keep it up!

Ava De Boer – great facts about Hermit Crabs.

Hayley McElroy – great weekend recount writing.

James Smit – making great improvements to his handwriting through focus and determination!

Charlie Giles – excelling in all areas of the curriculum.

Kaicee Reid – always taking care when completing her learning to ensure its completed to a high standard.

Aidan Cameron – always speaking politely and taking care in the classroom.

Tyler Mills - sensational 'Indigenous Australian' project, from preview to finished research project.

Bessie Hunt – amazing writing that really sizzles.

Dimity Hague – demonstrating her knowledge of figurative language during Comprehension Reading Groups.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINIC

Monday 2nd October – Wednesday 4th October 2017

at Maffra Tennis Club

9.00 am – 10.30 am each day

Come along and have some fun in the holidays, learn new skills and improve your tennis.

Ages: 6-16. All standards. Cost: \$60.00.

For further information or bookings phone

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PRESENTS

Brickstravaganza 2017- a LEGO® display

Featuring LEGO creations by LEGO enthusiasts including work from Australia's only LEGO Certified Professional – Ryan McNaught

Devonshire tea

Supporting

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Refreshments

Central Gippsland Health Service Dialysis Unit & MRI.



VENUE: Maffra Memorial Hall – Foster St, Maffra

DATES: Friday 6th October – 9:30am – 6:30pm

Saturday 7th October – 9:30am – 5:00pm

Sunday 8th October – 9:30am – 4:00pm



ENTRY FEE: \$15.00 per family (2 + 2), Adults \$6.00, Children \$2.00

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'Junkyard Band' – Thursday September 21st, 2017 – EBBWEC

The excitement is building as we approach the date of our whole school performance, 'Junkyard Band'. The timetable will be as follows:

12.45pm	Children arrive at school – bag bell. Maffra town buses will run at 12.30pm, but there will be no country buses at this time.
1.00pm	SCHOOL STARTS – Students need to be in costume, having had their lunch. Students need to have snacks and a drink bottle with them. (Sensible choices that will not stain costumes)
1.15pm	BOARD BUSES for Esso BHP Billiton Wellington Entertainment Centre (EBBWEC) in Sale. All students at NO COST .
1.50pm	STUDENTS ARRIVE IN SALE – Years 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 will be housed in the Community College Gippsland - next door to the EBBWEC. Year Prep, 1 / 2 will be back stage in the EBBWEC.
2.15pm	DRESS REHEARSAL
4.00pm	BREAK FOR A SNACK
5.00pm	FIRST PERFORMANCE
6.15pm	CURTAIN CALL – Break for light snack
7.00pm	SECOND PERFORMANCE
8.15pm	FINAL CURTAIN CALL – All students collected from EBBWEC.

We are hoping to have all children 'sparkling' and full of energy right up until the final curtain call, so a restful morning, followed by a hearty lunch, would be ideal. We understand that this may be difficult for some country bus travellers and working parents, so a low key alternative can be provided at the school if this is requested. Please advise us at the office as soon as possible if you need this assistance.

As in past years, we ask parents to pick up children from the EBBWEC at the end of the show – approximately 8.15pm. Year Prep, 1 and 2 will gather in the EBBWEC foyer, whilst Years 3/ 4 and 5/ 6 will return to the Community College Gippsland building (at the back of EBBWEC) to collect their bags and can be picked up from this point. Alternatively, you could arrange for friends or relatives to collect the children, so long as the teachers are notified in writing beforehand.

