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### **BUCHAN PRIMARY SCHOOL**

IS A BARR SCHOOL. (BUSHFIRE AT RISK REGISTER)

This means our school will be closed and unstaffed on Code Red Days as well as other days deemed

unsafe. Families will be given as much warning as possible. Safety is our first priority.

Week 2 Term 3 Thursday 21st July 2022 Edition 10

We acknowledge the Gunai Kurnai people as the Traditional Owners of the land on which we work, learn and play. We pay our respect to Gunai Kurnai elders past, present and emerging and extend our respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and families of Buchan Primary School.

Wuman Njinde Parents, Students and the School Community,

Welcome to this fortnight's newsletter where we share our school's journey and achievements. Our kitchen garden is starting to take shape and Cassie our gardener has created a dedicated space where the gas tank enclosure use to be for this garden to become established. I have also been in contact with Bunnings in Bairnsdale and they are on board and are generously donating their time and supplies to make this happen. My wish list included the following; Passionfruit vines x 12 plants, potted fertiliser, 8 self-watering garden tubs / containers, vegetable seedlings of various assorted kinds, straw mulch, bee homes, watering containers x 2 and trellis for snow peas. I am open to any other ideas you may have that will enhance our kitchen garden.

On July 1st, new legislation regarding Child Safe Standards came into force in Victoria. As you know, child safety is of the upmost priority at Buchan Primary School, and our up to date policies are in alignment with DET expectations and are available for viewing on our school website.

We are doing everything we can to ensure your child's learning at Buchan Primary School is not impacted by upper respiratory virus and flu symptoms by continuing to hand out Rapid Antigen Tests, as well as providing access to hand sanitiser, ventilating our learning spaces, having face masks available for students to wear should they choose to and having the air purifiers running in each classroom learning environment. Thank you for continuing to monitor your child's health when they become unwell.

I have been in communication with Amanda from the Buchan Uniting Early Learning Centre to discuss transitions and explore joint adventures going forward as we begin to plan for 2023.

Please remember that Schoolstream is our preferred method of communication.

Until next time.

Sarah

Principal

# **EDUCATON SUPPORT STAFF POSITION**

We are currently recruiting an ongoing education support staff position commencing Term 3. If you know of anyone who you believe would love to work in the classroom in this role at Buchan Primary School staff, please visit

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/hrweb/careers/pages/advacsSCH.aspx?Redirect=1

Click on Applicants - Searching or Applying for a Job

<u>Search or Apply for a Job</u> (for external applicants. Internal applicants can use this link but must create an 'external' account. Page opens in a new web browser window)

Or alternatively contact Julie our Business Manager for details.

### **BOOK WEEK TERM 3**

We will be celebrating Book Week with a 'Book Character Parade Assembly' on **Monday 22nd** August. The 2022 theme is 'Dreaming With Eyes Open' and it is about stepping into your own story. Students will be invited to dress as their favourite character on the day. Mr Robertson will be taking MARC Van on this day.



**Book Week:** 21 - 27 August 2022

**Theme:** Dreaming with eyes open .. (artwork by Jasmine Seymour)

# **PASSION PROJECT**

This term we are introducing a range of electives for students to participate in that extends beyond the specialist subjects we already implement (STEM, The Arts, PE, ICT, Mindfulness, Environmental Play, Italian and Outdoor Education). If you have a passion or hobby that you would like to share with the younger generation, we would love to have you be part of this project. The school is willing to reimburse you the cost of materials. Each session will run for approximately 90 minutes from 11.30 to 1.00 and each activity will run for 2 sessions. Dates: Thursday 4th August, Thursday 18th August, Thursday 1st September and Thursday 15th September. Students will be given student voice and agency to select which 2 projects they will engage in over the 4 week period and will be given a 1st, 2nd and 3rd preference option. Facilitators will be given the final numbers 1 week prior to this project commencing and will be asked to share their passion project over a 2 session period. We have 22 students enrolled at our school and the maximum group size will be approximately 6 students.

I am currently finalising and planning the activities and they are as follows:

Knitting with Julie Rogers

Silk painting with Sandra

Masks and puppets with Judi Skyes

Horsemanship with Donna Mranz

Outdoor Education with Lynton Hill

### THURSDAY HOT LUNCH / MILO / ICY POLES

Week 1—Dim Sims 14th July

Week 2—Hot dogs 21st July

Week 3—Buchan Roadhouse 28th July (No milo, Dim Sims, hotdogs or icy poles)

Week 4-Dim Sims 4th August

Week 5-Hot dogs 11th August

Week 6—Buchan Roadhouse 18th August (No milo, Dim Sims, hotdogs or icy poles)

## IMPORTANT DATES IN JULY

East Gippsland Mobile Library Service—Tuesday 12th.

East Gippsland Mobile Library Service—Tuesday 26th.

Parent Conferences—Wednesday 27th & Thursday 28th

MARC Van- Wednesday 20th.

School Council-Monday 25th.

### IMPORTANT DATES IN AUGUST

East Gippsland Mobile Library Service—Tuesday 9th and Tuesday 23rd.

MARC Van-Wednesday 3rd, Wednesday 17th and Wednesday 31st.

Senior school athletics sports—Wednesday 3rd August at Howitt Park.

School Council—Monday 22nd.

Passion Project—Thursday 4th, Thursday 11th, Thursday 18th and Thursday 25th.

Severe weather Emergency Management Drill—Monday 8th.

## **IMPORTANT DATES IN SEPTEMBER**

Grades 3 and 4 camp to Allambee—Wednesday 7th, Thursday 8th and Friday 9th.

### STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Congratulations to the following student who were the worthy precipitants of this award:

Michael S— For the wonderful contributions and focused effort he has shown when engaged in literacy activities.

# **Premiers Reading Challenge**

All students are encouraged to take up the Premiers Reading Challenge for 2022. Students wishing to participate need to record the books read on the sheet they have been provided. When complete that sheet can be returned to Julie at the office.

Happy reading



# VINCENT VAN GOGH INSPIRED SUNFLOWER ART



### DIFFERENT WAYS TO ASK YOUR CHILD HOW THEIR DAY WAS

- 1. What is something you did today that you'd love to do every day?
- 2. What do you know today that you didn't know yesterday?
- 3. Tell me something that made you laugh.
- 4. What was the best thing that happened?
- 5. Did you find out anything interesting?
- 6. What made you smile?
- 7. What was the most creative thing you did?
- 8. Did you do something kind for someone?
- 9. Did someone do something kind for you?
- 10. What was the hardest part of your day?
- 11. Who did you play with?
- 12. Did you learn any new words?
- 13. What made you feel happy?
- 14. What made you feel proud?

#### **ROADHOUSE LUNCH MENU**

This menu will be available for students to purchase this term on Thursday 28th July, Thursday 18th August and Thursday 8th September. Icy poles and hot milos will not be available on this day. This menu was introduced based on student voice during one of our junior school council meetings.

# Menu:

Mrs Mac sausage roll and sauce \$4.00

Chips and gravy \$4.00

Four'N Twenty pie \$5.00

Noodles, sauce and cheese \$4.00

Potato cakes \$1.20 each

Fried Dim sims \$1.00 each

Calamari or chicken medallions (3 pieces) with chips \$5.00

Toasted ham and cheese sandwich \$5.00

We do not supply lunch order bags. Please write your child's name and order on a brown paper bag and enclose money in preferably a zip lock bag.

### **NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE NEWS!**

We have some exciting programs and courses coming up including:

**Digital Photography Workshop** this Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July from 5pm to 7pm with Lachlan Knowles from Swan Reach. This will be an information session at the Neighbourhood House and we have a few attending already and bringing their new cameras for assistance in their use. Please get back to us asap to book your place for this Thursdays session. We will also, if the interest is there, conduct another session in the day time so we can go out take some pictures to review and assess.

The monthly Colour Therapy Workshop is on again on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July at the Recreation Reserve from 1pm. We have new participants attending all the time so if you have not come along as yet, that's fine and we would love to see you there. The feedback from this workshop has been so positive and Aaron and Madelaine also come with the Catholic Care coffee machine so you can also enjoy a great coffee or hot chocolate as well.

We have also rescheduled the **First Aid Training** which will now be held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September from 8.30 am to 12.30 pm. If you need this qualification for work or for personal interest please book a place. We need to get back to the trainers a few weeks prior to the course commencement to confirm numbers (we need 10 to go ahead with this one).

And finally we are looking for expressions of interest in completing the **Digital Essentials Course**. Understand the basics of various areas of technology, including different digital devices, their functionality and the ways people can use these to connect with others.

This course will provide you with the skills to use your smart phone including SMS, understanding apps and software, navigating the internet on various devices, using email and social media.

We will support you in learning the everyday uses of technology and staying safe online and are able to adjust the content to suit the skills and the needs of the participants.

This course will run for 6 weeks/3 hours per week.

**Evelyn Schmidt** 

Coordinator

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# School Bus Operator Notice to Parents/Guardians of School Bus Travellers, July 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We operate a school bus that services your child's school, and we have always made your child's safety and wellbeing our highest priority when providing our school bus services.

We have operated under the 2016 Victorian Child Safe Standards since they came into force. We wish to advise that this year Victoria revised the Standards with effect from 1 July 2022, and we have updated our policies and procedures to reflect the revised Standards.

### **Policies**

We have a new Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy that states that all children have a right to be and feel safe. The welfare of the children we convey will always be our priority and we do not tolerate child abuse and harm. We aim to create an environment where children are safe and feel safe being transported in our fleet.

We also have a new Code of Conduct that sets out the behaviour expected of all our staff and relevant contractors who engage with children in regard to keeping children safe. These two documents have been provided to your school and by email from admin@gillicksbuslines.com.au.

# Does your child feel safe?

We encourage children to tell someone – you, a teacher, or their bus driver – if they have any concerns that make them feel unsafe. We also encourage you to be alert to any concerns that your child may express about feeling safe, and to let the school know of these concerns.

### **Complaints Process**

Our written Complaints Handling Policy is available by email from <a href="mailto:admin@gillicksbuslines.com.au">admin@gillicksbuslines.com.au</a> .

Your child's safety will be the priority in our handling of any complaints or concerns. If you have any questions about this notice, please call us on 5152 5346.

Regards,

Gillicks Buslines Pty Ltd