

Newsletter – 6th August 2025

next week:

Monday 11th August

Parent Teacher interviews commence

Tuesday 12th August

Parent Teacher interviews

Wednesday 13th August

Parent Teacher interviews

Thursday 14th August

Parent Teacher interviews

Friday 15th August

Prep 100 Days of School

Breakfast Club 8:15 – 8:45

Assembly

Parent Teacher interviews conclude

coming up:

This Friday 8th August

Book Club Issue 5 closes

Monday 18th August

Book Week commences

Tuesday 19th August

Pupil Free Day

Staff training

Tuesday 26th August

Grade 3/4 Swimming commences

Thurs 4th & Fri 5th Sep

Father's Day Stall

reminders:

Get your costumes ready for Book Week.

A day will be announced closer to the time, weather pending for the parade.

Prep and Grades 1/2 Athletics Day

The weather turned it on for us on Friday and the Prep – 2 Athletics day was a huge success! The grade 6 leaders were amazing and pretty much ran the show. Well done to everyone!



Athletics results further in the newsletter.

Principal's Report

Transport to school....

On some days we are able to offer families support in getting their children to school. Getting every child to school, every day, is a priority for us, so if you are having trouble with transport on a particular day, please call through to the office before 9am and we should be able to support you.

The Impact of Staff Absences....

As we continue to move through the cold and flu season, we are still seeing the effects of staff and student absences. Whilst we have been relatively lucky, not having too many staff away, parents will continue to see this impact at various stages. Given the shortage of staff across the system and through most industries, we are doing our best to limit the impact on our students. The structures that we have set up should enable any staff member to teach at any level. Some classes have been merged, however this is only occurring when there are a large amount of students away and the remaining students in the class are able to work at the same level. With changes happening just before school starts (or once school has started), the privacy policies we must follow, make it difficult to communicate this at times with families. We will do our best to keep you informed where we can. Thank you for your understanding and support.

School Transition....

As we prepare to welcome our 2026 Prep students, we also begin the task of farewelling our Grade 6 cohort as they transition to secondary school.

This year, our students will be moving on to a variety of schools including Nagle, Bairnsdale, Orbost, and LESC. We are also proud to share that two students have received scholarships to attend Gippsland Grammar. Each student will participate in individualised transition sessions tailored to the requirements of their chosen secondary school. These sessions provide valuable opportunities to share academic data and discuss class placements, helping to ensure a smooth and supportive transition.

Looking ahead, our 2026 Prep students will begin their transition sessions next term. Running throughout the term, these sessions are designed to help children become familiar with their new environment in a calm and gradual way—removing pressure and setting them up for a confident start on Day One.

Simon Prior

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Last week

Monday 28/07	83.16%
Tuesday 29/07	85.26%
Wednesday 30/07	87.37%
Thursday 31/07	86.32%
Friday 01/08	81.05%

Pupils of the Week - Congratulations:

Reggie Boland – Reggie, you are a star! You have worked so hard this week, especially in Maths. Keep up the great work!

Allie Turnbull – For seeking help with her poetry writing and taking pride in her drawing and publishing!

Thomas Knaggs – For successfully understanding the line positioning, starting position and line contours of all lower case letters. Your revised and improved understanding of letter form has impressive impacts on the legibility and aesthetics of your written pieces. Every day you are improving your efforts and skills!

Eddie Davis – Eddie, you are a star! You have worked so hard with your learning. I love how you have been trying your hardest with everything. Keep up the amazing effort!

Peter Frost – I am so proud of your 12-level growth in your Counting Pathway. Well done!

Audrey Frost – For the incredible effort you have been putting into your writing this term. It has been fantastic to see you try your best and ask for feedback!

Rhoden Davis – Rhoden has put his best foot forward this week, showing that when you put in the effort you can have great success. Great job with the Australian Maths Competition this week!

Zane Boxshall – For getting through all four poems in writing with great language and vocal. Very successful, keep it up!

Benji Barkway – Well done on completing the Maths Competition this week and giving it your best shot. I'm so proud of the way you are challenging yourself and showing such wonderful success in all areas of your learning!

Matilde Jakobi – Matilde continues to have outstanding success in all areas of her learning. Her poetry is evidence of her brilliant creative writing skills. She continues to rise to the challenge of extension tasks in all areas of her learning and inspires those around her with her hard work and kindness. Well done Matilde!

Phys Ed Award – Mikaela Walker – Thanks Mikaela for helping make the Prep 1/2 athletics day a big success. Your recording was accurate and you led the Grade 1 boys around like a pro. Well done!

STEM Award – Ledger Elliott – For successfully coming into STEM and completing all of his work with such a good attitude!

Visual Arts Award – Mason Docherty – Mason was successful this week in Art, showing that he can cut neat circles and triangles to create a monster collage!

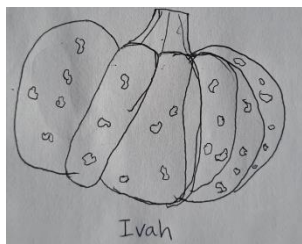
Celebrating Small Wins in Grades 1 & 2B



truly great.

Our conversations have encouraged students to appreciate their **efforts**, to value the act of **truly trying**, and to recognise that **every attempt is a step forward**, even if progress isn't immediately visible.

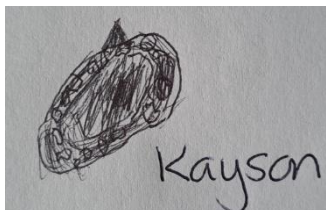
When asked how do we become successful the students had the following insights to share:



"Keep doing it and don't stop"
 "Trying our best," said Ivah.
 "Keep on trying," said Reuben.
 "Keep on trying until you get it," said Evie
 "Do persistence," said Ivah.
 "Trying hard," said Thomas. "Keep practicing until you do it!"

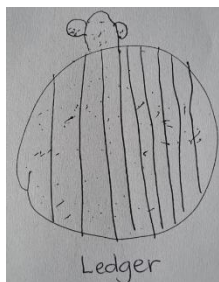
"Don't stop," said Mason.

"If you get tired, take a break, then try again."



Pumpkin Case Study: Was It a Success?

To bring our learning to life, Ms. Sarah brought in a pumpkin she had been growing at home. Although it didn't grow as large as she'd hoped — and only one pumpkin grew on the vine — she asked the class: "Was I still successful?"

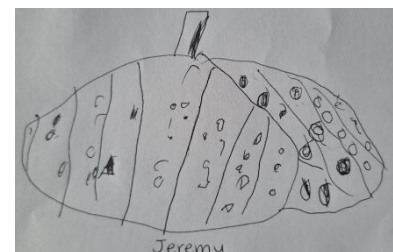
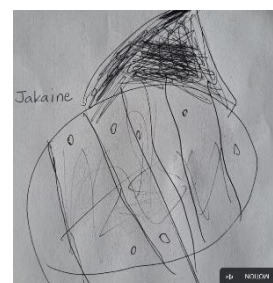
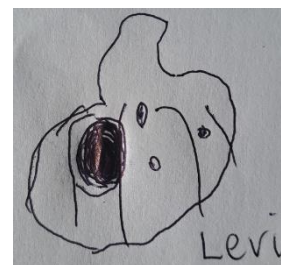
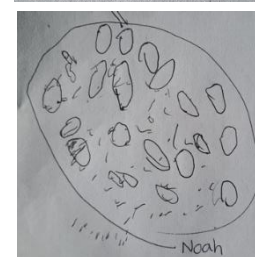
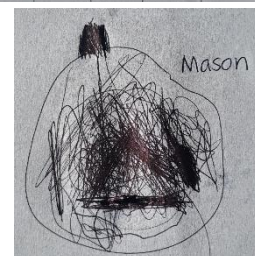


"Yes! You cared for it!" said Ledger.
 "Yes," Jeremy agreed. "It's a little pumpkin."
 "You still got a pumpkin," said Thomas.
 "At least you tried," said Mason. Kayson agreed.

Isla and Alena gave some suggestions to improve her success.

"You didn't water it enough," said Isla.

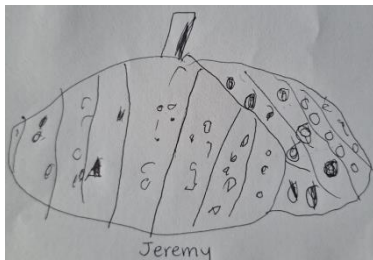
"Put it back in the group and keep growing it," Alena suggested but Grace had said it grew on a vine and wouldn't grow anymore.



The Bigger Picture

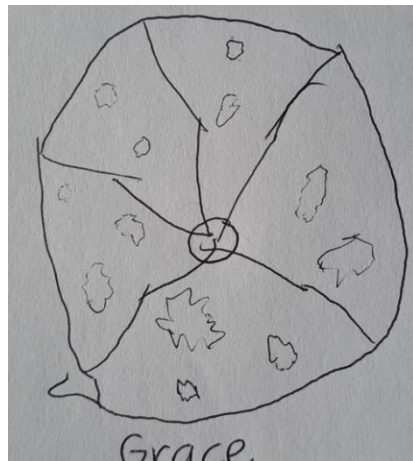
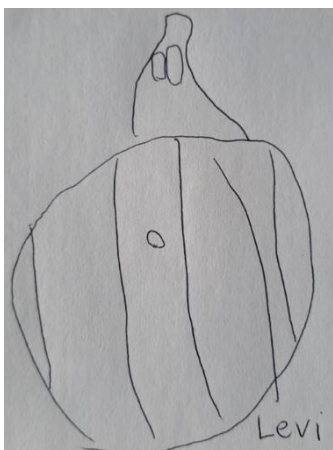
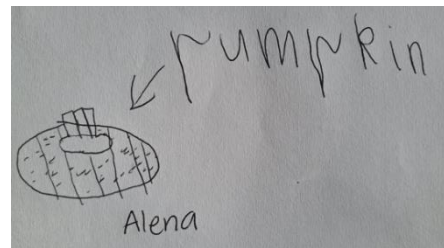
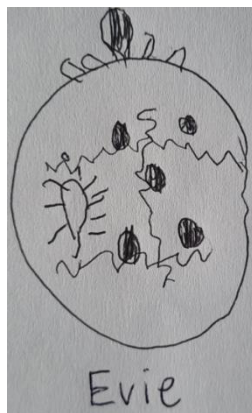
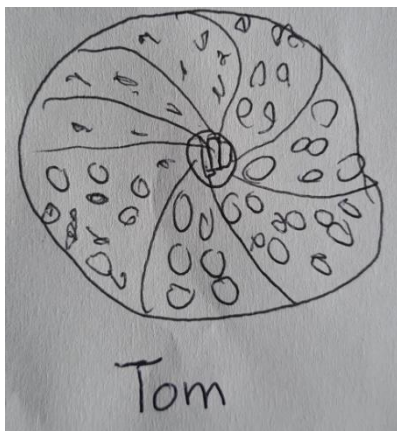
This rich learning experience helped students develop a deeper understanding of **what success truly means**. Together, we discovered that success isn't just about the end result — **it's about the effort, the trying, and the growth we experience along the way**. Every attempt, every little win, and every lesson learned brings us one step closer to our goals.

The students were asked what success they have recently experienced. They drew their response..



Well done to all our Grade 1 and 2 students for recognising the value in persistence, effort, and those small-but-mighty successes that lead to greater things!

And to all of our students across the school — **keep going, keep trying**, and remember that **every effort you make matters**. Whether it's something big or small, every step you take is a part of your success story. We are proud of you!



Father's Day Stall

Thursday 4th and Friday 5th September 2025

Can you help our students show their appreciation for the special male figure in their life, by helping them at the Father's Day stall in the first week of September? 15 minutes of your time is all it takes.



THURSDAY 04.09
9-11AM

Class walk through
purchase 1 item

FRIDAY 05.09
11-11.30AM

Everyone can make
additional purchases

Are you able to offer help
on the Father's Day Stall?
10 minutes to half an hour
would be greatly
appreciated. Siblings are
welcome.



Are you able to offer help
on the Father's Day Stall?

We need volunteer helpers
for

Thursday 04.9
9-11am

Friday 05.9
11-11.30am

Athletics results P - 2

Grade 2

100m	
1. Izzy	1. Harry
2. Harmony	2. Lochlan
3. Dusty	3. Thomas

Discus	
1. Alena	1. Jeremy
2. Tallara	2. Lochlan
3. Wai	3. Harry

Long Jump	
1. Wai	1. Harry
2. Harley	2. Jeremy
3. Harmony	3. Quinn

Shot Put	
1. Grace	1. Noah
2. Wai	2. Lochlan
3. Alena	3. Rueben

2025 ATHLETICS RESULTS

FINAL HOUSE SCORES

TAMBO	SNOWY	NICHOLSON	MITCHELL
712	542	531	386

Prep

100m	
1. Taya	1. Albie & Luka
2. Ziorah	2. Xavier
3. Haziel	3. Chase

Discus	
1. Ziorah	1. Albie
2. Taya	2. Xavier
3. Nylah	3. Harry

Long Jump	
1. Taya	1. Xavier
2. Nylah	2. Chase
3. Ziorah	3. Mason

Shot Put	
1. Taya	1. Logan
2. Nylah	2. Mason
3. Haizel	3. Xavier

Grade 1

100m	
1. Isla & Thamar	1. Boston
2. Alliana	2. Jakaine
3. Allie	3. Matthew

Discus	
1. Thamar	1. Henry
2. Alliana	2. Eddie
3. Allie	3. Boston

Long Jump	
1. Ava	1. Ledger
2. Alliana	2. Mason
3. Peyton	3. Boston

Shot Put	
1. Thamar	1. Ledger
2. Alliana	2. Eddier
3. Ava	3. Mason

Crochet Club

We are incredibly lucky to have Kasia Bourke volunteering her time to teach some of our 3-6 student's crochet. The students who attend cannot wait to go each week, learning many valuable skills.





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GOOD CLEAN FUN

[PLAY.AFL/AUSKICK](https://play.afl.com.au/auskick)

LAKES ENTRANCE PS K-6 AUSKICK CENTRE

WEDNESDAYS 3:30PM

STARTING AUGUST 13TH

LAKES ENTRANCE PS OVAL



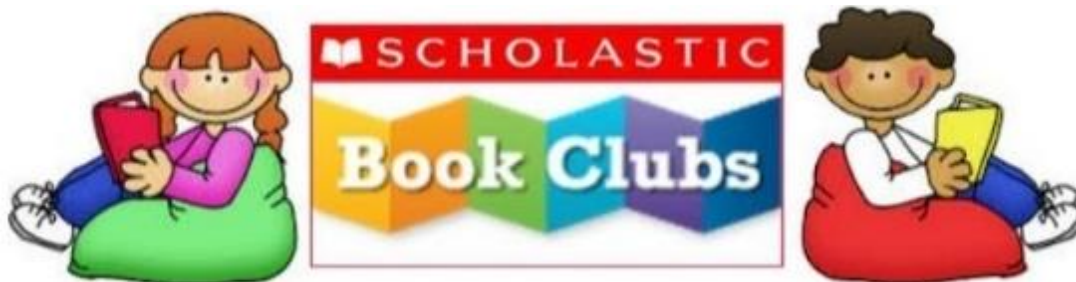
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BOOK WEEK

AUGUST 16-23

DATE TBC - GET COSTUMES READY



Book Club orders 2025 Issue 5

Cut off date: This Friday 8th August.

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