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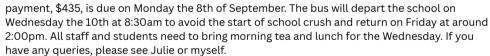


From the Lions Den Principal's Message

Good afternoon, everyone.

We are rapidly closing in on the end of the term, but the school is still very busy if you look at the dates section of the newsletter.

Just a reminder to the parents of the grades 3/4 campers that the camp goes from the 10th of September to the 12th, this is a Wednesday, Thursday, Friday camp. Students have received their gear lists and if you haven't viewed it the office has multiple copies. Parents should have returned their permission and medical forms to the office and



I'm not sure if you saw the local paper this week but it featured our grade 5/6 class and the wonderful work, they have done reestablishing the "Secret Garden" and the planting they did with Landcare down at the Tambo River. I was also greeted by an email from my boss, Natalie, sent to all the principals in the Bairnsdale Tambo Network of schools highlighting the work the class has done. Well done to the 5/6s and Mr Jorgensen.

 $Last\ Thursday\ I\ showed\ the\ 3\ middle\ and\ senior\ grades\ a\ YouTube\ video\ featuring\ Admiral$ McRaven talking about 10 life lessons that everyone should know. I asked the students what lessons resounded with them, and the over whelming answers were number 10 - Never ever give up, number 3 - Life's not always fair, move forward and number 6 - Take risks. I don't think they will remember all 10 but I hope they will remember 2 or 3.

We were lucky to be chosen to host the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden team from Melbourne yesterday. Many local schools who run the program attended and buy the buzz I heard and saw in the garden and the kitchen it was a very special day that formed connections to further the program. Thank you to Lorraine and our team for hosting a very successful day. Regards,

Warwick Fraser



Shire Library Bus - 5th

Picnic Point Apple Orders Due - 8th

Year 3/4School Camp - 10th to 12th

Picnic Point Apple Orders Arrive - 11th

Footy Clinic - 12th

Footy Colours Day - 19th

Last Day of Term 1:20 Finish - 19th

October

Start of Term 4 - 6th Trash Puppets - 27th

November

School Fair - 3rd Melbourne Cup Day Holiday - 4th 5/6 Camp - 24th to 28th

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Picnic Point Apples





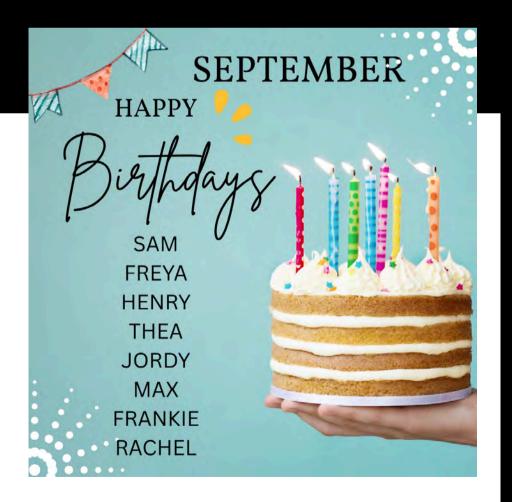


Swan Reach Primary School are proud to partner with the Picnic Point Farm to make their delicious and fresh produce available to you on a fortnightly basis. Orders are due Monday afternoon, and produce will be available for collection on Thursday afternoon and Friday Morning. Additional forms are available in the office.

Please leave form and cash enclosed in the red box in the office. All monies raised will go towards supporting the Cooking Program.

Please Place your orders by Monday 8th of September for pick up on Thursday the 11th of

September.





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SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Will be held each Monday at 9am



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This Weeks Student Awards



Monday 25th

- The Prep/1 award goes to Jordy for being a leader & helping others in the classroom.
- 1/2 for Cody who has continued to improve his reading skills & independent reading, you are choosing some great books & learning lots of new words.
- In year 3 Dakota received an award for consistently showing respect & empathy to all.
- In the 4/5 room, Thea always modelling exemplary behaviour, Sam for showing a passion for reading, Penny has shown diligence in her writing, for reading awards we have Indi for consistently reading each night & Luca for reaching 100 nights of reading.
- 5/6 Aiden, for his outstanding attitude & work ethic.



This Weeks Student Awards



Monday 1st

- In the Prep/1 Wren received an award for writing a fantastic comic for his big write.
- Grade 3 students Lacey for using her atlas to locate different countries around Australia, Otis & Ethan for both showing our school values of respect & empathy for others.
- In the 3/4room Rachel for excellence in understanding types of angles and measurement, Kaleb for amazing effort in learning new maths concept angles & Zayn for great effort in learning new maths concepts angles.





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This Week Around the Playground













This Weeks Lunch Club

We've had an amazing start to our Thursday Lunch club activities at Swanny PS. The big foam blocks from Mrs Lewis were a hit last week with students working together to build grand thrones to sit on and towers taller than themselves. There continues to be lots of lovely creations made with Lego, playdough and water colour paint.









Do you need to stay at Lunch Club for the whole time? No. The lunch club activities are on offer for 30 minutes during lunch play and students can come and go as they please.

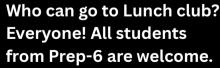




Where & When is Lunch Club? In the grade 3 classroom on a Thursday.







FOR ALL



What is Lunch club? Lunch club is an indoor option of play for students to participate in during 30 minutes of their lunch.



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This Week from the Year 3 Classroom Featuring Mrs Erickson, Mrs Southwell & Hayley







Gateways

On Monday the 25/8/25 Eddie Otis and I went to Gateways where we learnt about Maths and Science

We got split into groups Grade 4/5/6's and Grade 3's were in the other group. In Maths, we learnt about the London Underground train stations. There were about 267 train stations. We tried to organise the letters alphabetically from most used to least used.

After Recess, we played a game, and we used different train stations. If was fun!! We had to roll the dice 2, 4 and 6 were a lucky break but 1,3,5 were unlucky. Swan Reach WON!!

In the second half of the program, we learnt about blood. We learnt there are 8 types of blood. A+, A-, B+, B-, AB+, AB-, O+ and O-. O- is the rarest blood type.

By Ethan Mowat - Grade 3

Gateways

On Monday 25/8/2025 Ethan, Otis and I went to Lakes Entrance Primary School for a Gateways Program. First we split up into two groups, the 4/5/6's were in the first group and the Grade 3's were in the second group.

The Grade 3's went with Allen to the drama room. Allen told us about the underground train network in London, we worked with network Maths and we coded the alphabet and the train stations. Later we played train station destinations, the team were Swan Reach Vs Lakes Entrance and Clifton Creek, Swan Reach PS won.

After recess we swapped groups, then it was time for SCIENCE!!! The science teacher was named Jaco b, he told us about blood types. We learned about different blood types. There are 8 types of blood, A+, A-, B+, B-, AB+, AB-, O+ and O-. We also learned about rh+ and rh- factors, which is a protein within your blood. A cross stands for Positive and a line/dash stands for Negative. In blood there are red and white blood cells, The White blood cells eat all the germs. The red blood cells transport oxygen around you body.

By Eddie and Otis - Grade 3.



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This Weeks Community Information







