

THE VOICE OF THE FLATS



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Dates for the diary

Monday 18th Feb: Year 3-6 Swimming
Carnival

ALSO ***Power Outage Day***—all P-2
students to Yack Primary School.

March 12-15: Years 4-6 Camp—
Borambola (near Wagga Wagga)

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

If you are **sending cash to school** to pay for something **PLEASE PLACE IT IN AN ENVELOPE WITH YOUR DETAILS ON IT**. If it is on a Tuesday or Thursday, please give any money to a classroom teacher or Mrs Kohne, as Jan is not in the office on those days. This is really important so that we don't lose track of who has paid for what.

NEW PARENTS to the school—if you wish to participate in any school activity (even in the classroom) you must have a current **Working with Children Check**. This is a legal requirement for all adults working/volunteering/participating at school, or in school activities where children are present. You can obtain a volunteer WWCC by completing an online application on the Victorian Department of Justice website, then go to the Post Office in Wodonga to complete the process.

ABSENCE NOTIFICATION: It is a legal requirement for parents to advise the school of any absence of a student from school for whatever reason. Please speak to or email your child's teacher prior to a known absence, on the day of absence (all staff emails were sent home last week) or as soon as possible after the absence. Schools have been mandated to phone parents if a child is absent without notification.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF): if you hold a current Health Care Card you will be entitled to \$125 per student towards any camp, sports event, excursion or incursion. If you received this last year and are still holding a current HCC **you do not need to re-apply**. If you received the CSEF last year and are no longer eligible please see Jan. If you have received a HCC for the first time please see Jan for an application form. If you are entitled to the CSEF this will be used to pay part of your fees—Swimming program (P-3), bus excursion levy, Life Ed Van, so Jan will adjust your fees accordingly and send out an updated invoice in the next few weeks.

PRINCIPALS MESSAGES

Parent teacher interviews: Next Wednesday and Thursday afternoon night we are holding parent teacher interviews. This is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher this year and discuss their strengths, challenges and anything else you think is important for the teacher to be aware of. If you still need to book a time please follow the instructions that were emailed out on Monday. www.schoolinterviews.com.au event code: gtmrs

Newsletter: this year our preferred option is to send out the newsletter electronically, however, if you would really like to have a hard copy, please let Jan know.

Mathletics: All students have taken home their log on details for Mathletics. As the students complete the Maths activities they earn weekly points. They then earn certificates which are handed out at our weekly assembly and published in the newsletter. Please encourage your children to use this subscription at home to strengthen what they are learning in class. **MATHLETICS AWARDS: KAIDENCE JONES**

Reading helpers: Mrs Rietmann will be sending home a letter this coming week asking for reading helpers. Please have a think if this is something you or a family member would like to do each week. You must have a Working with Children Check.

Individual Education Plans: This year teachers are implementing the schools Individual Education Plan policy. This means that IEPs (Individual Education Plans) will be written for the following students:

- Those placed 12 months or more above or below the expected level in Reading, Writing or Number.
- Foundation students who score below 100 in the English Online Interview (EOI).
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background.
- English as an Additional Language (EAL) background – who are identified below expected levels.
- Living in 'Out of Home Care.'
- Accessing the Program for Students with Disabilities.
- Students with a diagnosed learning disability.

These plans will be discussed and agreed upon during a Student Support Group (SSG) meeting in Week 3 of each term.

Draft plans will be presented at the parent teacher interview next week. Parent input is valued, so, if there is something you would like to add or omit from the plan please let your child's teacher know.

School Council: Please have a think about joining our School Council this year. Nomination forms will be going out on Monday for vacant parent positions and we would love new families to consider joining. It is a great opportunity to be involved in decision making that impacts on all students and does not involve a large time commitment (usually 2 evening meetings per term.) Please see me if you'd like more information about this.

Swimming Carnivals: The date for the school level swimming carnival for all year 3-6 students is February 18th. The Division level will be Friday 22nd February for those who qualify. These events will both be held at Waves.

Camp: Just a reminder the grade 4-6 camp will be 12-15th March at Borambola. A note will be going home today regarding camp cost, deposit, etc.

Art: Next week the students will commence their fortnightly art lessons. The focus this term will be drawing techniques. The F/1/2 students will be completing owl and sea creature drawings as well as scratch art. 3/4 students will be completing imaginative drawings using a range of materials including charcoal and 5/6 students will complete drawings of Proteas as well as microscopic plants and animals.

Have a great week

Sarah

CALENDAR

11 February	12 February Art	13 February PARENT/ TEACHER INTERVIEWS	14 February PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS	15 February
18 February MARC Library Van Swim Carnival (Years 3-6) WAVES Power Outage - P-2 Students to Yack Primary School	19 February	20 February	21 February Music	22 February Division Swim Carnival (for students who get through)
25 February	26 February Art	27 February CURRENT SCHOOL COUNCIL 5.30PM	28 February	1 March Bush Dancing Lesson
4 March MARC Library Van	5 March	6 March	7 March MUSIC	8 March LIFE ED VAN

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

HARRY SCHMIDT for commencing the year with a positive attitude, increased focus and maturity. *Mrs Kohne, Mrs Brear*



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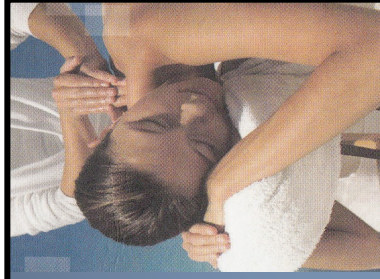
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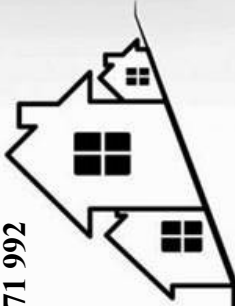
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