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Primary School

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NEWSLETTER #34

29TH OCTOBER, 2020

Dates To Remember

6th November	School Photo Day
8 Nov-15 th Nov	NAIDOC Week 2020
17 th November	School Council
26th November	Grade 5/6 Camp Experience
8 th December	State-wide Orientation Day
18 th December	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL YEAR

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK ...

Week 3 has brought with it more good news, and I am beginning to feel a lot more optimistic about achieving Covid-normal after the announcements on Monday night. However, we still need to remember: keep 1.5m distance from others, wear a face mask, and if you have any symptoms (no matter how mild) get tested and stay home.



UPDATES FROM DET

With the easing of restrictions in both Regional Victoria and Melbourne, the Department of Education has announced some more positive news for schools.

Graduation ceremonies can now take place for our grade 6 students and school staff to gather to celebrate their final year at Primary school. COVIDSafe measures must be in place and they can only be attended by the students and school staff but it can be broadcast to families

Kindergarten to primary transition visits can now occur. These can include on-site visits of small groups of up to 10 children, parents, and teachers/educators.

WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

This year, World Teachers' Day will be recognised in Australia tomorrow October 30. The theme, 'Teachers: leading in crisis, reimagining the future' reflects the commitment teachers have made as leaders particularly teaching throughout the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, in a range of environments. I would also like to acknowledge the work of our fantastic parent community, who had to step up as partners with our teachers during remote learning to ensure our students

continued to learn whilst not attending at school.

Stay Well – Stay Happy.

Carmen 😊

CURRENT NEWS

SCHOOL PHOTOS

With the easing of the restrictions came the GREAT news that school photos can now happen. Our school photo day is **NEXT FRIDAY**, November 6th. All money for photo orders must be paid directly to the company.

The order forms that were sent home at the start of the term are still applicable for the new date for school photos.

If you have misplaced your order form and need the order details again, please contact Fiona and the details will be emailed to you.

Orders must be placed online at www.schoolpix.com.au

Orders can be placed up to 2 working days after the photo day.

Any orders placed after this will incur a \$7.95 postage fee as orders will be sent directly to the nominated address. Sibling

photos can also be ordered online and must be placed prior to 8:00am on our photography day.

Families with three or more children will receive a 25% discount when ordering individual packages (does not apply to group only, class book only or online extras).



REMINDERS & REPEAT ITEMS:

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

If you haven't had the opportunity to complete the survey yet, there is still time. So far, 22% of our parent community have completed it. Remember, the information you provide helps us to further improve our wonderful school.

REMINDER FOR RETURN OF PREP ART FOLIOS

In 3rd Term at the beginning of remote learning for the second time the Prep students were given art materials in their art folios so they could continue their Art lessons at home.

The art folio is a large A3 plastic folder with a zip which is used to your child's art folio to the prep room as soon as possible if you have not returned it already?

Thank you for your co-operation.

Lee Charlton

'Learning, Caring, Laughing, Sharing'

DRINK BOTTLES

The weather is gradually warming up so another reminder about drink bottles. Please ensure your child remembers their bottle, along with their lunch every day.

FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS 2021

Lockwood PS is still accepting Foundation enrolments for 2021, but forms need to be in ASAP.

2021 BENDIGO SCHOOL BUS TRAVEL REMINDER

A reminder to families that applications for bus travel for new and existing travellers for 2021 are now open. Students cannot travel on a rural country bus in 2021 if their travel has not been approved.

Applications are processed online via the School Bus Management System (SBMS). The SBMS system will be offline for maintenance works over the weekend, but will be live again from next Monday.

Applications will be processed during December. Families should login to their SBMS account towards the end of December to finalise bus travel arrangements by accepting the travel offer to be eligible for travel in 2021.

If you have any queries regarding the process or are new travellers for our bus route and would like to apply for bus travel, please contact Fiona for eligibility and further information.

CSEF APPLICATION ELIGIBILITY DATE EXTENDED

The Minister for Education has approved that the eligibility to quality for the Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund (CSEF) has been extended to 5 October 2020, with applications due by 20 November 2020.

If you have a health care card and did not apply for the CSEF payment earlier in the year, please click on the link below, complete the form and return it to the school office. Please contact Fiona if you have any queries regarding CSEF.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/health/CSEF-Application-Form-2020.pdf>

SENTRAL FOR PARENTS APP

Have you downloaded the Sentral for Parents App now or if you have it already, make sure to update it. ALL school notices and information will be distributed using the Portal and App. It's as easy as a quick push notification and you'll have information, including newsletters.

Our Sick Bay Notifications are also being sent home via Sentral now, so if your child has a visit to Sick Bay, you will get a notification through Sentral. (if the matter is serious or urgent, parents will still receive a phone call). You can

also quickly and easily add your child's absence through the Sentral app.



USEFUL LINKS:

School Website

<https://www.lockwoodps.vic.edu.au/>

Lockwood PS Sentral Parent Portal

<https://sentral.lockwoodps.vic.edu.au/portal2/#!/login>

JSC Assembly

<https://educ.vic.webex.com>

Meeting number (access code): 165 327 3223

Password: rwPmwW5Be89

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT OSHC NEXT WEEK:

A reminder to families to please contact either OSHC or Fiona to amend your bookings for OSHC. If you need to cancel a booking for any particular day or add your children into OSHC for a casual booking, please ensure you give us as much notice as possible (but at least 24 hours), so that we can ensure our staffing levels are correct for the number of children attending.

There are plenty of vacancies available at the moment.

Statements will be sent out tomorrow for the month of October. These statements will be due to be paid by Friday 13th of November. Please contact Fiona if you have any queries regarding your statement.

Date: 02/11/20	Afternoon tea	Activity
Monday	Fruit Custard	Painting
Tuesday	Fruit Toasties	I Spy Table
Wednesday	Fruit Yoghurt	Playdough
Thursday	Fruit Biscuits and Dip	Dodgeball
Friday	Fruit Nachos	Window Textas

REMEMBRANCE DAY POPPY APPEAL

The RSL have dropped off a tray full of items for anyone that would like to purchase items in support of THE 2020 Poppy Appeal.

The following items are available for purchase:

- \$1.00 Poppy
- \$2.00 Poppy
- \$3.00 Wristband
- \$4.00 Keyring
- \$5.00 Poppy
- \$5.00 Pens
- \$10 Poppy

Please send correct money with your child as change cannot be given.



GREAT CYCLE CHALLENGE

Just wanted to acknowledge the effort of Tom Keane. For the month of October, he has been completing the Great Cycle Challenge and he has done a marvellous job! Here is some information about what Tom has achieved:

Hi, my name is Tom Keane and I am doing the Great Cycle Challenge. It is to help raise for money for kids with cancer. So far I have raised \$719.

Now my goal is \$750. I have ridden 648 km in total for the month of October, where I have gone past my goal of 600km's.

Search <https://greatcyclechallenge.com.au/> for more information or <https://greatcyclechallenge.com.au/Riders/ThomasKeane> to get direct access to see Tom's progress this month.



Clay Play - Art Term 4



Community Notices

Marong Cricket Club Junior Blasters Program

With the easing of Covid restrictions in Regional Victoria, junior cricket is back on the agenda, with the start date scheduled for the first weekend in November. Woolies Junior Blasters which is the cricket equivalent of Auskick, where kids are introduced to, and taught, the most basic of cricket skills by a qualified coach will start on Thursday October 22nd finishing on Thursday the 17th of December.

All other age groups play in competitions traditionally on Friday night, Saturday morning and Sunday morning.

Training times and dates will be announced shortly, but we are expecting to start in the next week.

If you are interested in any of these grades or the Woolies junior blasters please register via this link:

[https://urldefense.com/v3/https://www.playcricket.com.au/club-finder/club-details?id=2725_!!DMYqIb-wi9xyiILM98KLXMINLBWnwZGFo3YMldqfc_aDjDRr3BoJhELqCrBo7hHRyA7F26ZMSJ5k\\$](https://urldefense.com/v3/https://www.playcricket.com.au/club-finder/club-details?id=2725_!!DMYqIb-wi9xyiILM98KLXMINLBWnwZGFo3YMldqfc_aDjDRr3BoJhELqCrBo7hHRyA7F26ZMSJ5k$)

or call me on 0427104484 or the new Marong CC junior coordinator Belinda Atkinson on 0407698762 for more information.

Yours in cricket, Greg Toomey

PS: If you have friends, siblings or even dads looking for a game of cricket everyone is always welcome at Marong Cricket Club in our junior or senior teams.

HAVE A BLAST!

GET INTO WOOLWORTHS CRICKET BLAST. IT'S A FUN AND ACTIVE PROGRAM FOR KIDS OF ALL ABILITIES - WHETHER IT'S YOUR FIRST TIME WITH A BAT OR YOU'RE A BACKYARD CRICKET STAR!

Marong Junior Cricket Club
Commencing Thursday 22nd Oct 4pm - 4:15pm
Greg 0427104484 or Belinda 0407698762
<https://www.playcricket.com.au/club-finder/club-details?id=2725>

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