



NEWSLETTER 23 May 2022

Dates for your Diary

May	Wed 25 Athletics Sports (Be at oval 9:30am)	Thu 26 Music/Italian
	Fri 27 Athletics Sports (Backup date)	Tue 31 Cooking
June	Wed 1 Library	Thu 2 Music/Italian
	Fri 3 Cross Country	Mon 6 Art
	Thu 9 Mindfulness & Movement (Grade 4-6)	Thu 9 Music/Italian
	Fri 10 Professional Practice Day (no students)	Mon 13 Public Holiday (no students)
	Tue 14 Cooking	Wed 15 Library

Dear Parents,

Can you please note the following:

Around the Classes

Most days of recent weeks our classes have been busy preparing for the Athletic Sports this week.

Our Grade F/1/2 class have been using templates to assist them with their writing of narratives. These templates help them to focus in on the characters, setting, problem and resolution. In **Mathematics** they have been exploring length and data representation.

Meanwhile the Grade 3/4 class have been working on their reading stamina and narratives for writing (**English**). We are focussing on have students develop – and stick to – their key idea when writing. In **Mathematics** they have been looking at area and strategies for multiplication.

And finally, the Grade 5/6 students have been exploring different methods for solving multiplication equations (**Mathematics**) – namely the lattice method

and the area method. As students learn differently, it is important that we teach our students a variety of ways to help them with their work. Our measurement concept has been **Area** and students have been calculating the area of irregular shapes. In **English** we have been looking at RAFTS (**R**ole of the writer, **A**udience, **F**ormat, **T**opic, **S**trong Verb) as a strategy for students to help them refine their ideas when writing.

Student of the Week

Our congratulations go to the following who have recently received a Student of the Week award:

Murphy - perseverance with his academic work

Georgie - for doing a fantastic job on improving her multiplication skills

Lilly - for showing the responsible traits of a leader during group activities



Shelby – her narrative about a soldier
Shannon – for being focused in his writing and adding detail to improve it
Ted – for his effort when writing a narrative and increasing writing stamina.



Little Learners Love Literacy

Last week these amazing little Foundation students completed Stage 1 of Little Learners. They are all coming along in leaps and bounds and are well on their way to completing Stage 2.



Facilities upgrade

As you can imagine we are very excited with the news that I sent you last week regarding the replacement of our toilet block and the funding for maintenance to our main building. These works will be carried out by the Victorian Schools Building Authority and we are unsure as to how quickly works will commence - but we will keep you informed along the way. Don't forget to talk either to myself or one of our School Councillors should you have any ideas for beautifying the area at the front of the school.

Professional Practice Day

All Victorian State schools have been granted as a one off, a common Professional Practice Day which we will be taking on Friday 10 June. There will be no students at school on this day and staff will be working on Mid-Year Reports.

Public Holiday

Monday 13 June is a Public Holiday for the Queen's Birthday. As such there will be no school on this day.

Athletics

Wednesday 25 May is our set date, with a backup of Friday 27, for our cluster athletic sports. Should we need to cancel on Wednesday an announcement will be made on 3NE at 7:30am. These will once again be held at the Athletics Complex in Appin St, Wangaratta. All students need to be there by **9:30am** to meet their teacher to collect their score card, warm up at 9:45am then events will commence at 10am. **Please wear our uniform.** A timetable for the day is attached to the newsletter. Please ensure you bring this with you. No buses will be running on the day, so you need to ensure that your children are there by the designated time. It is a great opportunity for parents to join us for the day and to support and

encourage their children. Students will need to bring their drinks, snacks and lunch.

A BBQ will be available and of course we will have our tea/coffee and slices stall as

well as donuts and sausage rolls. Thank you very much to all the families who have kindly offered to bring a slice in on the day and to those who have volunteered to run the stall.

Thank you

Howard Gibson
Principal

