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ACTING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Proverb: An ounce of protection is worth a pound of cure. (lemongrad.com).

Meaning: A little precaution before a crisis hits is better than a lot of firefighting afterwards.

IMPORTANT DATES IN NOVEMBER

Hats to be worn

- Monday 5th October onwards.

Drink bottles required

- Monday 5th October onwards.

Journey of Hope - Friday 20th.

Senior school excursion in lieu of camp -Monday 23rd November. Snowy River Rafting.

MARC VAN - Wednesday 25th and Monday 30th.

Testing weeks - Monday 16th to 26th.

Newsletter - Thursday 26th.

Hot lunch - Thursday 26th.

Rhythm to Recovery - Monday 30th.

Curriculum Day - Friday 27th. No children required at school.

All day kinder kids - Monday 30th.

IMPORTANT DATES IN DECEMBER

Newsletter - Thursday 3rd, 10th and 17th. Hot lunch - Thursday 3rd, 10th and 17th.

School Council - Monday 7th.

Journey of Hope - Friday 4th and 11th.

Last day of school - Friday 18th. Time to be confirmed.

Reports home - Thursday 17th. Nudel Kart delivery - Thursday 17th.

Bairnsdale SC transition - Wednesday 2nd 10.00 to 11.00 tour. Statewide Transition Day - Tuesday 8th. Grade 6 students.

Rhythm to Recovery - Monday 14th.

Wuman Njinde Parents, Students and the School Community,

Thank you to our families who completed the online survey. Going forward into 2021, we will

20e C— For continuously putting in the errort to do her very best work. Well done:

Stephanie L—For going above and beyond expectations when we have had a replacement teacher in. Well done for being an excellent role model to others.

Tom H— for completing his 'My Celebration Culture' labelled drawing to a high standard and for showing great courage whilst abseiling on the excursion.







MARC VAN-FINAL RETURN OF BORROWED BOOKS

Our last MARC Van session for the year will be Monday 30th November. All books will need to be returned prior to or on this day. Please look for the "Van" sticker on either the inside cover of the book or on the outside cover.



LABELLING OF SCHOOL CLOTHING AND HATS

We are still coming across lost property and hats that are not named. If your child is missing a brand new windcheater that is a size 10, there is one in the lost property basket looking for a home.

TOYS AND BELONGINGS FROM HOME

I am noticing quite a few children are bringing toys and scooters and personal belongings to school to play with at recess and lunch times. Whilst the school does not discourage this, we do not take responsibility for any damages that may occur as a result of this being on school grounds.

Small group kinder-to-school transition activities are permitted in schools in such as parents, educators and children meeting a Prep teacher in a school environment.

On-site visits by a Prep teacher to meet a Kindergarten teacher and children in kindergarten settings is also permitted across Victoria.

FACE MASKS IN SCHOOLS

A face mask that covers the nose and mouth is now the only permitted type of face covering. Face shields, scarves or bandanas do not meet these requirements.

Teachers and education support staff are not required to wear face masks while teaching, but those who wish to do so, can. Teachers and education support staff must wear face masks in other areas of the school when not teaching (for example, in the staffroom, on yard duty and when providing first aid or taking temperatures).

When entering the school grounds, health, wellbeing and inclusion staff are required to wear face masks, unless an exemption applies, including the need for 'clear enunciation or visibility of their mouth' (for example, when undertaking a speech therapy intervention or working with individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing).

Visitors and parents who enter the school buildings are required to wear a face mask. Where possible we are ensuring that ventilation remains open and our internal doors are kept open.

Only people who are delivering or supporting essential school services and operations are allowed to visit school grounds (such as student health and wellbeing services including the School Breakfast Clubs Program, those conducting assessments for the Program for Students with Disabilities (PSD), and safety, cleaning and maintenance workers).

HAND SANITIZERS AND LIMITED SHARING OF EQUIPMENT

We are continuing to use hand sanitizers upon entry to the school buildings before school, after recess, after lunch and when someone has used a tissue or put their fingers in their mouth. We are continuing to keep sharing of equipment to a minimum.

COVID -19 SYMPTOMS / FEELING UNWELL

It is important that any staff member or student who becomes unwell while at school gets tested and returns home. Staff or students experiencing compatible symptoms with Corona virus (COVID-19) should be encouraged to seek the advice of their healthcare professional who can advise on next steps.

Where staff or students have been tested, they must isolate until they receive their test result. Staff and students are generally not required to present a medical certificate stating they are fit to return to an education setting after a period of illness, however staff and students should not return until symptoms resolve.

INCREASED CLEANING

Tammy is a very conscientious and efficient school cleaner and she does an absolutely amazing job cleaning our school. Extended and increased cleaning arrangements have been



STUDENT LAPTOPS AND HEAD PHONES

All students have now received a brand new laptop this year and it was terrific to see the excitement, as well as the big smiles on the remaining recipients faces who had been patiently waiting for their old laptop to be replaced.

WHOLE SCHOOL EXCURSION

Thank you to the staff at Karoonda Park for making our whole school excursion a winner. Lunch was amazing and there was a surprise birthday cake for Lachie who celebrated his birthday on the day. Considering last week was so extremely hot, we chose the perfect day and it was not too hot or cold. It was fantastic to see everyone enjoying themselves and participating in the activities on the day which were abseiling, a zip lining and kayaking. It was a busy and very tiring day.





















