Principal’s Report…

Welcome back to Term 2! I hope everyone had a wonderful and safe break, and is ready for another great term.

The Easter raffle was a great success, thank you to everyone who donated eggs and helped to sell tickets. Every bit of fundraising helps to improve the school and the programs we offer students here and your contribution is appreciated.

The school is preparing for a busy term, with two public holidays, three performances, cross country, NAPLAN and education week. In addition to that, the school is renewing the focus on reading.

One important part of our new reading program is having mini-libraries in all classrooms. While we have a well-stocked library, this worthwhile program is stretching our available books. If anyone has any books in reasonable condition which they would be happy to donate to the school, we would love to have them and we will write a dedication note so your support is remembered every time they are used. We would be particularly excited to receive any books aimed at the Prep to Grade 3 level and any of the Aussie Bites, Aussie Nibbles and Aussie Chomps series. Your support is appreciated.

Preparations for the Big Country Fair are starting to take off and the first meeting of the Country Fair committee will take place on Tuesday 19th April, 7pm. This is a great opportunity to help shape one of the big events in the Hamilton calendar. Contact the office if you are interested in more details.

GenR8 Change is a program aimed at fighting childhood obesity in the Southern Grampians and is focused on helping key groups in the community make changes to improve child outcomes. We are having a meeting to see what impact we can have at Gray St on Wednesday the 27th April at 7:00 pm in the Library. I would encourage all parent’s, particularly those interested in helping the school promote healthy lifestyles, to come along.

I am looking forward to a great term!

Lachlan Yeates

ANZAC APPEAL

ANZAC Badges will be on sale from Tomorrow. Student Voice Leaders – Angus Dohle and Lily McLeod will visit classrooms from tomorrow with the badges. If you would like your child to purchase a badge/item please send the correct money in a clearly marked envelope to school with your child.

$1 - Badge
$2 – Badge
$3 – Wrist Band
$4 – Bag Tag
$5 – Slouch Hat Badge
$5 - Navy Badge
$5 – Pen

Please mark the envelope as follows:

ANZAC Badge
Name
Grade
Badge/Item
Money Enclosed
PREMIER’S ACTIVE APRIL

Premier’s Active April is a Victorian Government initiative which encourages all Victorians to do 30 minutes of activity a day during April, with the aim of incorporating physical activity into their on-going daily routine.

Similar to the Premier’s Reading Challenge, parents are encouraged to register both themselves and their children to track their activity in the weeks during and after the holidays. Registrations are now open at www.activeapril.vic.gov.au.

Students will be able to download trophies once they reach a certain number of active days during April and other achievements.

Everyone who registers for the Premier’s Active April will receive extra bonuses such as discounts and passes from various organisations including Sportsmart and YMCA. More information and step-by-step instructions on how to register are available at www.activeapril.vic.gov.au/schools.

Prep Swimming

On Monday 18th April, Prep students will start their swimming program.

Students will need to wear their sports uniform for these two weeks. It would also be a good idea for students to have extra sandwiches in their lunch box as swimming can make children very hungry.

Lunch orders are available for students swimming, although please don’t order a “Special” menu item (ie fried rice) on swimming days.

ANZAC Day Parade

Our local ANZAC Day Parade will be held Monday 25th April. The parade starts at the front of our school and runs along Gray Street, down Brown Street and concludes with a service at the War Memorial at Melville Oval.

We would love to have as many of our students participating in the parade as we can.

- Please meet Mrs Riddle and Mrs Harms at the front of the school at 9.45am ready for the 10am start.
- You must wear school uniform.
- Children can wear family medals on their right side.

The event will go for almost an hour and a half with students to be collected from the Melville Oval Memorial.

Casual Clothes/Patient for a Day/RCH Appeal

A huge thank you to everyone for dressing up as patients for the day to help raise money for the RCH Appeal. We raised $770.00. Well Done Everyone!!

Cross Country

The Gray St cross-country will take place at Lake Hamilton at 2.20pm Wednesday, 4th May for all students in Grades 3 to 6. The children start in the area of the playground at the end of Rippon Road and each age group are spaced 75 metres apart. The youngest age group run 2000m and the older age groups run 2225m. Medals will be awarded for the winners of each age group and ribbons given to major placegetters. The finishing line is in the boatshed area on the Gray St side of the Lake.

All students in grades 3 – 6 are to wear their sports clothes this day.
New Uniform Shop Hours

New Uniform Shop Hours - Monday 9.30 to 1.00pm and 2.00pm to 4.30pm

Parents may order and pay for uniforms using the uniform order form available from the office.

Canteen News

Term 2 & 3 specials start on Wednesday 13th April with Fried Rice. Dim Sims are available Monday, Wednesday & Friday.

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Fun, Group Exercise Classes

Fun group exercise classes will be held on Mondays and Thursdays 5.45pm to 6.45pm, in the school stadium with Personal Trainer Tania Cullinane. All Levels welcome. Parents $8 per class. Bring water, mat and a smile.
# Group Parent Education Events for the Barwon South Western Region
## Term 2, 2016

### South Western Region

#### Programs being Conducted By

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| **1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching** | A three session program devised to help to build Parents capacity in managing difficult behaviours in their children.  
**Dates:** 20th, 27th April & 4th May  
**Time:** 6pm – 8.30pm  
**OR**  
**Dates:** 2nd, 9th, & 16th June  
**Time:** 10am-12noon  
**Location:** Children’s Services Centre, 550-600 Raglan Pde Warrnambool  
**Contact:** Children’s Services Centre  
**Ph:** 5559 4747  
**Cost:** Free |
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| **Program for parents of children 3 – 10. Involves exploring principles of the program and developing a positive strategy and emotion coaching skills.** | Program for parents of children 3 – 10. Involves exploring principles of the program and developing a positive strategy and emotion coaching skills.  
**Dates:** 12th, 19th, 26th May  
**Time:** 9.30am-11.30am  
**Location:** St Joseph’s PS Warrnambool  
**Ph:** Marea 5559 3000  
**Cost:** $6.50 Workbook |
| **1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching** | Program for parents of children 3 – 10. Involves exploring principles of the program and developing a positive strategy and emotion coaching skills.  
**Dates:** 14th, 21st, 28th April  
**Time:** 10.30am – 12.30pm  
**Location:** Cudgee PS  
**Ph:** Marea 5559 3000  
**Cost:** $6.50 Workbook |
| **Engaging Adolescents** | Parents of children 10 -15. A three week program that explores adolescent development and a positive communication process and problem solving technique.  
**Dates:** 12th, 19th, 16th April  
**Time:** 6 -8 pm  
**Location:** Centacare, 142 Timor St Warrnambool  
**Ph:** Marea 5559 3000  
**Cost:** 6.50 Workbook |
| **Seasons Loss and change Program for Adults** | A 4 week program that allows participants to explore their reactions and feelings to a loss or change.  
**Dates:** 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd May  
**Time:** 6-8pm  
**Location:** Centacare 142 Timor St Warrnambool  
**Ph:** Marea 5559 3000  
**Cost:** $15 Workbook |
| **1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching** | Program for parents of children 3 – 10. Involves exploring principles of the program and developing a positive strategy and emotion coaching skills.  
**Dates:** 10th, 17th,24th May  
**Time:** TBC  
**Location:** St Joseph’s Penshurst  
**Ph:** Marea 5559 3000  
**Cost:** $6.50 Workbook |
| **Tuning Into Kids** | A six week program for parents of children 3-10. Focus is on introducing participants to the skills and techniques of emotion coaching.  
**Dates:** 12th, 19th, 26th May & 2nd, 16th, 23rd June  
**Time:** 1-3pm  
**Location:** Centacare 142 Timor St Warrnambool  
**Ph:** Marea 5559 3000  
**Cost:** Free |
| **Cyber Safety** | A 2 hour session for parents to explore the laws around cyber use and how to communicate with their children the appropriate use of social media and the responsibility that goes with it.  
**Date:** 20th June  
**Time:** 6-8pm  
**Location:** Heywood P-12 School  
**Ph:** Marea 5559 3000  
**Cost:** Free |

**For further details regarding any of these programs contact**  
**Family Services - City of Greater Geelong  
Ph:** 03 5272 4741  
**Outside Geelong  
Freecall 1800 111 078  
www.geelongaustralia.com.au**

The Parent Education Calendar has been collated by the Regional Parenting Service with the aim of providing information on the mainstream parent education groups that are happening across the Barwon South West Region. If you have any information on programs or parenting activities, please email details to rps@ggeelongcity.vic.gov.au  
Please contact us on (03) 5272 4617 or on the above email address if you no longer wish to receive the calendar.