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WYPS NEWS

13th February 2020

ACROSS OLIVER'S DESK

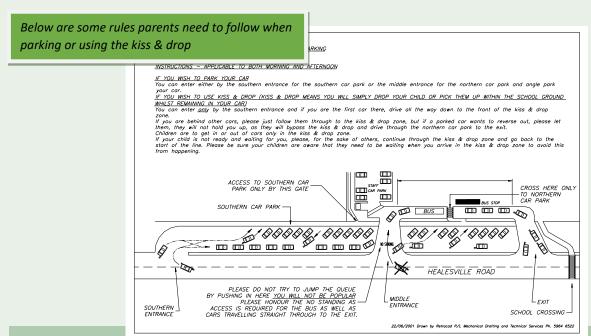
Dear Parents,

It really was a brilliant start to the year for our school last week with so many happy smiling faces, while at the kiss and drop I asked a few of our students if they were happy to be back at school? The answers were all positive, here are a few of the answers I remember:

- "The holidays are too long and boring" Skyla 1/2D
- "It's great to be back with my friends" Mia 1/2A
- "I love the new playground" Patrick 3/4B
- "I can't wait to do Blitzmaster and beat my best score" Darcy 3/4D
- "I love my teachers Jess & Ms Ward" Samara 5/6C
- "I get to go to extension maths with Terry this week" Tia 3/4C

CAR PARK

Unless you enrol your child in a very small school the reality is you're going to be annoyed at the lack of parking. Even though our school was built for over 400 students in 1984, most children in the 80's walked to school. Today most students are driven to school and the education department and the local council have not planned well enough ahead for car parking. We began negotiations with the Shire of Yarra Ranges last year about extending our car park but I would imagine that it will be quite a while before we see any construction work beginning. The best we can do is make sure that our kiss and drop keeps moving so that parents are not waiting in line for too long.







IMPORTANT DATES

2020

Monday 17th February—Friday 21st February

5/6 Wilson's Prom Camp Friday 21st February Swimming Carnival

Tuesday 25th February

Playgroup Starts Friday 6th March

House Sports

Monday 9th March

Labour Day Public Holiday

Tuesday 10th March
Preps Attend Full Time

Monday 23rd March—Friday 27th March

Grades1—6 Swimming Friday 27th March Last Day Term 1

TERM 2 Monday 13th April Easter Monday Tuesday 14th April Start Term 2





COLLINGWOOD FOOTBALL CLUB VISIT

As staff we have discussed how important it is for our students to see adults as readers and role models. Along those lines we asked the Collingwood Football Club to send some players to read to our 5/6 students and talk about themselves as readers. Callum Brown, Will Hoskin-Elliot and Chris Mayne came out to the school on Tuesday and did just that. They were really entertaining



with each player talking about themselves as lifelong learners. When Callum Brown read to the students he told them that he hadn't read out aloud to anyone for a long time. The players were very impressed with our school and our wonderful children. Go Pies!









FRIDAY ASSEMBLY

We ran our first assembly for the year on Friday Afternoon, the major purpose for assembly is to get the whole school together and celebrate as many students as possibly for the great work they achieve through the week. Our new school captains did a great job although like me they had a few first assembly nerves. It was great to see lots of parents even though it was a hot afternoon. Fitting everyone in is an issue but it's a great problem to have that parents want to come to assembly, when I first started at the school we had very few parents attending assemblies. It is always wonderful to see our parents taking such an active interest in our great school.

UNIFORM

We are getting closer and closer to 100% of our students in full school uniform. I've had a number of parents comment positively to me about the improvement in our uniform. For the first time ever our grade six students were able to get their special tops in the first week of school. A big well done to our business manager Natalie Potter who made it happen. Thank you again for your support of the school's uniform policy, we really look smart as a school when everyone is on board.

COMMUNICATION WITH THE SCHOOL

Every year we seem to have trouble with social media particularly Facebook because someone posts something that is inaccurate or completely untrue. I think at this time of the year I would like to remind all parents that our school is totally committed to your child's education. We have fantastic intelligent, caring teachers and teacher aides that only want the best for your child. Building a strong partnership between parents and teachers is very important.



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If you have any questions or even if you are annoyed about something please come to the school and tell us so that we can deal with the matter quickly, communicating directly with your teacher or with Flick or myself is always going to be better than posting something online. Flick and I regularly put ourselves on before or afterschool duty so that we are visible and accessible to parents.

Preps Schultüte

Our wonderful German teacher Sandy spent many hours putting together a schultute for each one of our prep students. The most important part of every German child's first day of school is the "Schultüte," or school cone. In Germany they are filled with sweets, our cones were filled with more healthy things of course but the kids loved getting them.







Have a great week! And remember when life gets a little difficult escape to the wonderful world of a book!

Oliver Thockloth Principal

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TERM 1



During the next week, we are going to promote Woori Kindness Week. What a great way to kick off the start to the year with raising awareness about acts of kindness and catching others doing an act of kindness. A small act of kindness can transform your day and lift your spirits.

Winston Churchill said, "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." Little did Churchill know that there is actually scientific evidence to prove that by giving we do in fact increase the quality of our life.

Giving to others gives the human race back the one commodity that we are in constant pursuit of – HAPPINESS!

Here are a few facts about kindness that you may not be aware of:

- People who give contributions of time or money are "42 percent more likely to be happy" than those who don't give (- Harvard "Social Capital Community Benchmark Survey").
- Studies have shown that spending on others feels better than spending on yourself. At Breakie Club on Tuesday a boy in grade 2 shared how he spent half of his birthday money on his brother because he wanted him to have something as well. How adorable!
- Giving has also been linked to the release of oxytocin, a hormone that induces feelings of warmth, euphoria, and connection to others. A dose of oxytocin causes people to give more generously, feel more empathy towards others and the best part is that the so called "symptoms" last up to two hours!
- Giving donations to charity has been proven to lead to activation in the ventral striatum, a brain region that's commonly referred to as the reward centre.
- When a person gives, they catch a glimpse of just how amazing they are, the potential they have and they suddenly become filled with a sense of purpose.
- Engaging in acts of kindness produces endorphins, the brain's natural painkiller.
- Kindness stimulated the production of serotonin. Serotonin heals your wounds, calms you down and makes you happy.
- Compassionate people have 23% less cortisol, the deadly stress hormone.

We can all agree that life throws unexpected curve balls our way. Regardless of our success, no one person is free from the ups and downs that make up the journey of life. Hardship and challenges come in many forms from loneliness, financial strain, illness, trauma, loss, feelings of inadequacy and the list goes on and on. However, with kindness comes hope. And with hope we can overcome every obstacle, we can rise above and tap into a strength we never knew existed. Kindness is the secret ingredient that makes life worth living.



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I hope you are feeling motivated to go out and make a difference. Catch the vision of transforming our families and community through showing more acts of kindness wherever and whenever you have the chance.

"We rise by lifting others." - Robert Ingersoll

Blessings,

Veronica



As a mother of a child with disability, take a day out for yourself to think about your own health and wellbeing at this **FREE** workshop which is just for **YOU**!

Come and learn how to create a healthy lifestyle that fosters your own health and wellbeing alongside a happy and healthy family life. The day will explore:

- · Connecting with other mums
- · Prioritising your own health and wellbeing

· Looking after yourself

 Balancing caring responsibilities while enjoying life

WHEN	Thursday 19th March 2020, 9.30am-2.30pm		
WHERE	Mt Evelyn Community House and Reading Room 50 Wray Crescent, Mt Evelyn 3796		
REGISTER	https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/mt-evelyn-healthy-mothers-healthy-families-registration-83914074255		
CONTACT	Gina McAdam, HMHF Coordinator <u>ginam@acd.org.au</u>		
HOSTED BY	Mt Evelyn Community House and Reading Room		

Registration is essential. Includes morning tea and lunch. Workshops may be cancelled if numbers are low.







CAMP FOR BUILDING SELF ESTEEM & CONFIDENCE FOR KIDS!



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KIDS OF GOLD, 323 MONBULK RD SILVAN VIC 3795 - ABN 57 327 231 83

Open to Primary kids in grades 4-6 in 2020 (and 9 year olds in grade 3) including those who have entered Year 7 in 2020. This is for those who've never been to a Kids of Gold camp before, but includes a few who have been before to help everyone feel at home and fit in. A number of bookings have already been made for this camp.

Activities are fun: from low ropes, initiative activities, wall climbing, games, drama and challenging interactive sessions.

Starting in Feb 2003, this camp has continued for one reason—because it works! It builds kids to be much more confident and increases their self esteem.

Google kids of gold to see who we are, what we do and to apply online or download a form for the May 20 camp. The form and website have more on how the camp started and where it is situated in the beautiful Yarra Valley.

Scholarships have already been offered to a limited number of schools for this May 2020 camp.

Fri 15th – Sun 17th May 2020 \$70 Full Fee * www.kidsofgold.org.au

Held at Lyrebird Park Beenak Rd, Yellingbo Melways 307 K10

*Cost of \$70 is subsidised by sponsors such as Bendigo Bank, Bunnings and Yarra Ranges Council.

Contact Kids of Gold 0418 170 027 (Jenny) or 9737 9475 (Gary) to hold a place and/or find out more













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Bookings essential



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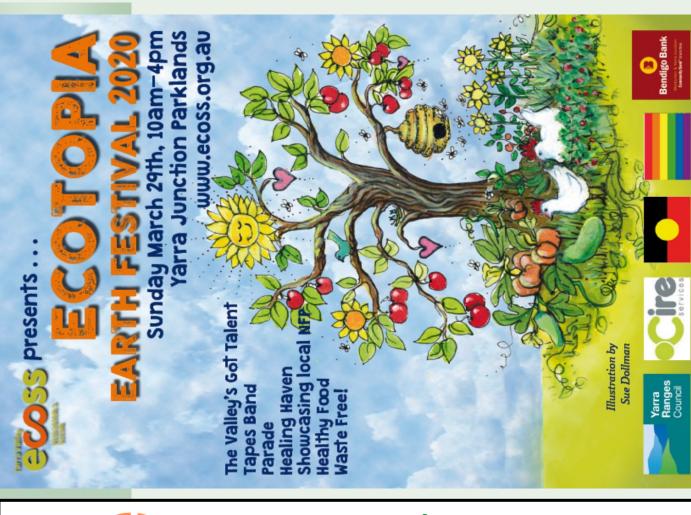
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For more details, visit: www.ecoss.org.au

Yarra Valley





FAMILIES: GET THE FACTS, DEVELOP STRATEGIES & FIND OUT WHERE TO ACCESS HELP & SUPPORT





A FREE community information session about ice that focuses on supporting families and friends

for more information and to register: www.breakthroughforfamilies.com/attend or call Family Drug Help

Family Drug Help: 1300 660 068 | 1800 ICE ADVICE: 1800 423 238



Inspiro

17 Clarke St, Lilydale, VIC

Tuesday, 18th February, 2020 6:00—9:00pm

Breakthrough is free to attend but registrations are essential















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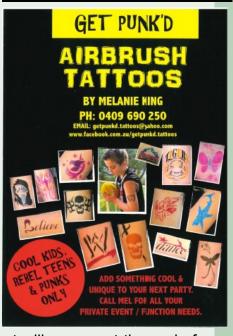
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Welcome to our WYPS business Directory that will appear at the end of each newsletter. It's a fantastic way to advertise your business and an opportunity for the school community to support each other. All you need to do is email an electronic copy of your business card or business advertisement (could be a special offer for WYPS families) to woori.yallock.ps@edumail.yic.gov.au.





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