



METUNG PRIMARY SCHOOL

“THE VILLAGE SCHOOL”

“It takes a Village to educate a child”
Hillary Clinton 1994

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MONDAY 5th November 2018

Tuesday 6 th November	Melbourne Cup Day public holiday
Thursday 8 th November	MARC Van
Friday 9 th November	Prep Transition Day
Wednesday 14 th November	East Gippsland Shire Library
Friday 16 th November	Prep Transition Day
Friday 16 th November	Prep/1/2 Sleepover
Thursday 22 nd November	MARC Van
Friday 23 rd November	Metung Pub Raffle
Friday 23 rd November	Prep Transition Day
Thursday 29 th November	Personal Development for Grade 5/6 – with Heather Daley
Friday 30 th November	Music Assembly 9am
3 rd 4 th 5 th 6 th 10 th 11 th 12 th 13 th December	Swimming Lessons
Friday 14 th November	Personal Development for Grade 5/6 – with Heather Daley
Friday 7 th December	Student Free Day – Planning Day
Sunday 16 th December	Metung Christmas Carols 5.45pm
Friday 21 st December	Last Day of School

Pink Ribbon Breakfast

I would like to thank Analee, Peta, Jacinta and the grade six students for their organisation and hosting of the Pink Ribbon Day breakfast. It was great to see so many people enjoying the morning and also the involvement of the community members. Thank you also to all the parents who provided food items and helped out on the day, as a result we raised \$212. Based on the success of the morning we may consider making this an annual event.

School Review

Next Monday is the first of our official review days, which will take place at the school. There will be a number of people involved including myself, several local principals, the school council president and an external reviewer. Over the course of the three days we will be reviewing how well the school has performed over the previous four years and the areas we need to concentrate on to improve the quality of our teaching and the outcomes for our students.

Bushfire Preparedness

As we are currently in the middle of the fire season we are requesting that parents advise us of their intentions in relation to students attending school on days that are classified as extreme. As we are a CODE RED school once that day is declared as a CODE RED day the school will automatically be closed and parents will be given 24hours notice. When a day is declared as extreme the school is not automatically closed and many parents choose to enact their bushfire plans and have notified us that their child will not be attending school. We are currently in the process of updating our records of who will be at school on days of extreme bushfire risk. Please let Vicki know if you intent to keep your children at home on a day declared as EXTREME.

Remembrance Day 2018

The grade six students have been invited by RSL members to attend the 100th Anniversary Remembrance Day Service on the Village Green on Sunday the 11th November at 10am. Grade six students will be placing crosses in the ground around the memorial to represent a fallen soldier from East Gippsland who served in the First and Second World Wars. Students are asked to wear school uniform, as they will be representing Metung Primary School. We may need some assistance from grade 5 students if required.

Metung Christmas Carols

All students are encouraged to attend the Metung Christmas Carols on Sunday the 16th December. Metung Primary School will be singing variety of carols, we will also join with Nungurner Primary School and sing a couple of songs together. Students will need to arrive by 5.45pm as we are the opening act at 6pm.

School Hats

Just a reminder it is the students' responsibility to remember to have a wide brimmed hat that they can wear for recess and lunchtime during term four. Bottle green school hats can be purchased at Nick's Clothing in Bairnsdale or from other department stores. Any student without a hat will be kept under cover as per our SunSmart policy.

Sunscreen / Insect Repellent

A reminder for students to apply sunscreen & insect repellent before coming to school. Sunscreen is available at school if required.

Election Day Barbeque

The school is the polling station for this year's election on Saturday 24th November (time to be confirmed). School council has decided to run a stall and barbeque on the day and would like to call on volunteers to help out. If you can assist with setting up, cooking etc. please let the school know. We would also like to ask for donations of homemade cakes and slices to sell at the stall. Thank you.

Shortly the staff will start undertaking the end of year assessments and it is vital that all students attend school regularly so that staff can do this efficiently and in a timely manner.

Bairnsdale Show Reminder

The Bairnsdale Show is being held on Saturday the 10th of November from 9.00am – 4.00pm. Metung Primary School children will again have some of their art work on display. I encourage all families to visit the art and crafts shed to view their great efforts.

After School Arrangements in Term 4

Bike Education is under way and takes place each Thursday from 3.20 – 4.20 p.m. Parents must complete a registration form which is available in the office. If you have a helmet and bike please bring it along. Homework Club runs each Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 3.20 – 4.20 p.m.

Swimming

Parents are reminded that swimming lessons will commence in December and to return permission notes and payment to the office asap. Spare notices are available in the office if required.

Centrepay/Centrelink Deductions

Centrepay is now available to families to help pay for camps, excursions, BYOD and essential learning items. Forms are available from the office. Please see Vicki if you would like to use this facility.

Prep/1/2 Classroom

Prep/1/2 Sleepover

We will be having our class sleepover on Friday, November 16th. The program for the evening will be as follows:

5.00pm- Children to return to school

5.45pm- Walk to Nautica restaurant

6.00pm- Dinner

7.00pm- Return to school

7.30pm- Games and Disco

-Movie

-Bed

8.00am- Children to be collected from school

All children will need to bring:

Mattress, sleeping bag or doona, toothbrush and toothpaste, teddy bear or soft toy and pyjamas.

We will be providing breakfast for the students.

Please return the attached permission form and \$15 for the dinner.

Wacky Wombat Performance

On Monday, November 12th at 1.30pm we will be participating in a class workshop from the 'Wacky Wombat Company' with Nungurner P.S. This will last for 1 hour and 30 minutes and include warm up games, moving onto learning a range of skills including, juggling, diablo, poi, devil sticks, flower balancing, and hat manipulation. This is a structured work shop and every child will have the opportunity to try every skill and be able to achieve something from it, with specific ways of doing each skill taught plus time to experiment with each skill on their own. The workshop includes teamwork and working alone, and is a great way to encourage hand to eye coordination, space awareness, confidence building and encourage an 'I can' attitude. The session will be held at Metung Primary School.

Please return the attached permission form and \$10 for the workshop.

Prep/1/2 Awards

To Fletcher for publishing an excellent story about his Charlotte's Web painting using Microsoft Word.

To Jindy for writing an excellent retell about 'Charlotte's Web' to accompany her painting using advanced forms of punctuation (talking marks, commas and colons).

Bike Education Awards

To Hudson for being a great assistant coach to Jay.

To Jasmine for being considerate and helping to pack up.

Pink Ribbon Breakfast

What a wonderful success our 'Pink Ribbon Breakfast' was last Thursday. We raised \$210 to support the 'Breast Cancer Foundation' and would like to thank the RSL for their kind donation.

A huge thank you to Peta and Analee for all their hard work organising the day and to the Grade 6 students for showing leadership skills on the day. We could not have done it without you! Thanks also to the Metung bakery for their wonderful donation of bread and to the parents who assisted and contributed breakfast items.

3/4 Report

This week we have no school on Tuesday due to Melbourne Cup.

Thursday is Marc Van so please bring back any MARC Van books at home, I have a list of overdue MARC books in the classroom.

We are continuing poetry in the classroom, this week our focus is 'Rhyme'. We will be exploring the text 'My Country' by Dorothea MacKellar, how it rhymes, the visuals it creates and how it links to our feelings of country. Last week students wrote their own cinquain poems about topics they are interested in and we were able to make a book out of their poems. This week the students will be writing a colour poem which we will turn into their own mini books.

We are focusing on mass, volume and capacity again this week and we will have a test on the topic on Friday. No spelling homework this week, however students are still expected to read each evening and complete homework contract 33.

3/4 Awards

Jake - for his using of good strategies during the Mathematics Online Interview

Holly - for her improvement in her mathematic knowledge and strategies as demonstrated through the Mathematics Online Interview.

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NOW TAKING PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2019

2018 PREP ORIENTATION PROGRAM **FOR 2019 PREP CHILDREN**

Friday 31st August 9.00am - 11.30am

Friday 7th September 9.00am - 11.30am

Friday 14th September 9.00am - 11.30am

Friday 9th November 9.00am - 1.30pm

Friday 16th November 9.00am - 1.30pm

Friday 23rd November 9.00am - 1.30pm

**Children will need a piece of fruit,
a snack for play lunch, a drink and a sun hat.
Lunch will also be required for the November days.**

**A PARENT INFORMATION SESSION WILL BE HELD AT
THE SCHOOL ON THE FIRST ORIENTATION DAY
FRIDAY 31st AUGUST 2018
11.00am - 11.30am**

**For further information or to book your child into the Prep
Orientation Program please contact Metung Primary School
Ph. 5156 2259**