Dear Parents,

Our school camp was held last week and despite some unfavorable weather we were able to complete most of the activities on our itinerary. It was pleasing to hear many examples from students about the activities they enjoyed and things that they had experienced for the first time. They showed much enthusiasm and their behaviour and cooperative nature was excellent, with the camp site owners commenting positively about these aspects. I would also like to thank the staff and parents who attended, their support enabled the camp to run smoothly.

Organisation for the Mil Lel Show continues to progress. Over the past few weeks a number of parents have been working with students during lunch play times to make craft products to be sold on the day. We are still looking for more helpers for the BBQ and other stalls; please fill out the reply slip if you can assist. The show is a positive fundraiser for our school which ultimately benefits our students so please consider giving some time on the day to help out.

Regards,

Stephen
DATES TO REMEMBER

September
Friday 14th       Salad Roster – BaTu/O’Connor Family.
Monday 17th      Lunch Roster – Susan O’Connor & Lucy Innes.
Tuesday 18th     Heat Roster – Fiona Harten.
Wednesday 19th   SACA Milo Clinic R-4, 1.30-2.15pm.
Friday 21st      Electives, 1.30-3.00pm.

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Wednesday 19th   End of Term, 2.30pm dismissal.

October
Saturday 6th     Mil Lel Show.
Monday 8th       Term 4 commences.
                Lunch Roster – Faye O’Connor & Michelle Storck.
Mon 8th – Fri 12th Footsteps, 2.30-3.30pm.
Tuesday 9th      Heat Ups Roster – Fiona Harten.
Friday 19th      School Closure.
Monday 22nd      School Photos.
Wednesday 24th   Choir – SE Primary Schools’ Music Festival, Millicent.
Tuesday 30th     Pupil Free Day.

END OF TERM DISMISSAL
A reminder that Term 3 concludes next Friday 21st September at 2.30pm.
Term 4 commences on Monday October 8th and a reminder that students are to wear their school hat during the term.

NAPLAN REPORTS
NAPLAN reports for students in Years 3, 5 and 7 will be sent home next Monday.
As a school we will use this information to inform our teaching programs, including identifying areas for improvement. If you would like to discuss the content of your child’s report please make a time to meet with their class teacher or myself.

MIL LEL SHOW ELECTIVES
Yesterday students started working on their elective activity which will be entered in the Mil Lel Show. Students are working to produce an item in one of the following categories: Wood, Sculpture, Craft, Scrapbooking, Needlework, Textile and Jewellery. Thank you to the parents who have offered to assist with this activity.

SUBJECT BOOKS
Today student subject books have been sent home in the following areas:
Numeracy, Literacy, Health and Design & Technology. Please take the time to look through these books with your children and then return them to school tomorrow.

STUDENT CAMP COMMENTS
“I enjoyed canoeing. We were able to paddle around the lake.” Josh
“I enjoyed the night games we played each night. We played Sardines and also explored the maze.” Ella
“When we were sheep handling one of the lambs jumped straight over the fence.” Amy I
“When we did scrub survival we had to make little huts. My team made a big one from sticks and leaves.” Charlie K
“The food was very, very yummy and I especially enjoyed the lasagne. My favourite dessert was the chocolate mousse.” Eliza
“I really enjoyed feeding the animals and patting them. The camel was my favourite animal.” Zac

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SAPSASA GOLF
"Last week Jhett and I played in the State Championships in Adelaide. On Thursday we played on the short Par 3 course and we both qualified to play the next day at the Adelaide Shores Par 72 course. I shot 85 off the stick to become State Champion and Jhett shot 91 and has been selected in the State Team to play in Sydney in November." Caleb
Well done to both boys for their excellent achievements.

SCHOOL VALUES AWARDS
Conor Savage for displaying great honesty and respect for other people’s property.
Lachlan Saxby for displaying great honesty and respect for other people’s property.

CERTIFICATES
Caleb Perry for making good choices at playtime and perseverance in class.
Riley Burn for great understanding and effort in Maths.
Chloe Kirby for helping others in the classroom and always doing her best.
Joshua Saxby for impressive writing in Literacy.
Zac Savage for meeting the challenge of a difficult speaking task.
Harrison Stafford for always bringing a positive, cheerful attitude to class, and always using great ‘Getting Along’ skills.
Lachy Saxby for meeting the challenge of your speaking task on archery.
Charlotte Tracey for her willingness to engage in class discussions.
Clyde Innes for starting to change his readers faster in the mornings.

HOLIDAY CHOOK HELP
If you are able to assist with feeding the chooks and collecting the eggs during the holidays please leave your name at the Front Office.

SCHOOL SOCCER
School soccer concludes this weekend, please return your child’s jumper before the holiday break. Thanks to Rob Harding for coaching the team this term.

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY REVIEW
We are seeking parent feedback around our current school uniform policy (see below). A pleasing aspect has been the ongoing support from our families in ensuring all children are dressed in the appropriate uniform requirements. However, one area that we request specific feedback about is the wearing of denim (jeans and shorts). It has been observed recently that some girls are wearing ‘short/brief’ shorts (if shorts are to be worn they are expected to be mid thigh length or longer) and a number of students are also wearing denim jeans. In reviewing our own policy we have also looked at the uniform expectations of Grant and Mount Gambier High School; both of these schools permit denim jeans and Grant also allows denim shorts. Please fill out the reply slip if you would like to provide feedback about our current uniform policy, particularly around the inclusion of denim as an option for our families/students.

Girls’ winter uniform
Bottle green skirt, skort OR pants
Green OR gold skivvy OR polo-shirt
Green OR white socks OR tights

Girls’ summer uniform
Green and white check dress, bottle green skirt, skort OR shorts
Green, White OR gold polo-shirt

Boys’ uniform
Grey OR green trousers OR shorts
Green OR gold polo-shirt OR skivvy

All students
Green windcheater OR green jumper (School logo can be applied).

For a gold coin donation you may choose items from a limited selection of second hand clothing.

Footwear - to be serviceable - if rubber boots are worn in wet weather, please have other footwear for classroom use.

*Thongs not allowed

Hats
All students are expected to wear a bottle green broad-brimmed or bucket hat (no caps) in Terms 1 and 4. Hats may be purchased from the Front Office.
FOOTY COLOURS DAY
The SRC are organising Footy Colours Day on the 21st September, last day of Term 3. This year we ask that you wear your favourite football team’s colours – AFL, NRL, Rugby Union or Soccer for a gold coin donation to raise money for the Fight Cancer Foundation which will enable them to continue providing care, treatment, residential and educational support for cancer patients and their families and to fund research into improved treatment methods and to finding a cure for leukaemia and other cancers. On the day we will be having competitions including longest kick, longest handball and colouring in competitions, with prizes to be won.

PARENT CLUB NEWS
Term 4 Lunch Orders & Heat Ups Rosters
To date we have insufficient volunteers to help with Monday lunch orders and Tuesday heat ups. If you are able to assist please return the reply slip that was included in the last Newsletter if you haven’t already done so. If we do not get enough volunteers we will not be able to offer lunch orders or heat ups each week. If you are providing heat ups for your child please ensure the heat ups are wrapped in foil (or oven proof material) and clearly labelled with name and class.

Term 3 Fundraiser
Thank you to the families who supported our recent Pie Drive. $428 was raised.

Soup Day
Yesterday most of the children enjoyed delicious pumpkin soup for lunch. Thank you to Tania Virgo for providing the pumpkins and the parents who helped prepare, cook and serve.

Mil Lel Show Stall
Parent Club will be running a stall at the show. Donations of any cooked items, preserves, produce, plants etc would be much appreciated. Cooked food needs to be labelled with ingredients. Items can be dropped at the show on the day, or prior to the show, at Sandra Robinson or Fiona Pearson’s place.

Show Cooking – Tuesday 18th September at 12.30
Mrs Margaret Douglas has offered to come into school to talk to interested parents and students about the finer details of cooking cakes, slices, scones and biscuits for entry in the Mil Lel Show. Please invite family or friends whom you think would be interested.

Next meeting: Thursday 18th October at 9am in the French/Art Room. Hostess: Sara Harfull.

COMMUNITY NOTICES
You will find further information regarding the following on our Notice Board or by contacting phone numbers or visiting websites provided.

DOUBLE HELIX SCIENCE CLUB – YOU EAT WHAT YOU SOW
Make your own vegetable garden. Learn all about the perfect conditions for your seeds to sprout, how to take care of them and how to build a terrarium. Bring along a spare large juice or soft-drink container if you have one. WHEN: Thursday 13th September at 6.45pm. WHERE: Tenison-Woods College Science lab. AGE: 5+ COST:$1/members, $3/ non-members, $5/ family. Parents welcome To book, phone Vanessa Courtney on 8725 5455, or email courv@tenison.catholic.edu.au

SNAG – STARTING NEW AT GOLF AT MOUNT GAMBIER GOLF CLUB
Friday Family Fun Night starts 19th October. 4pm SNAG Golf, 5pm Competition 9 hole & 6 hole. Registration 8723 1619 Pro Shop, 0432 751 900 Michael Smith, 0407 323 372 Duncan Savage.

RIDDOCH ART GALLERY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
A Kaleidoscope of Colour. Bookings required 8723 9566 admin@riddochartgallery.org.au

TAFE SA KITCHEN KIDS TERM 3 CLASS 24 & 25 SEPTEMBER
Enquiries – Lynette Sage 8735 1504.
The JP class have entered a LEGO competition. LEGO sent us 18 pieces of LEGO and we each made something unique, with all the pieces. We have put the photos of our creations in photo frames and have had them on display in our classroom.

Amy: “This is a model of a tower with two different balconies.”

Ian: “This is a robot man.”

Charlotte T: “This is a toy doll.”

Jorja D: “This is a model of a giraffe.”

Amelia: “This is a bed and clothes are with it.”

Kimberly: “This is a wall.”

Charlie Kirby: “My creation is a robot chair.”

Charlie Clark: “This is a transformer racing car.”

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