

Newsletter ~ 26th April to 29th April 2022

Term 2 ~ Week 1

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Respect & Care



Responsibility



Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding



Excellence

Dear parents, grandparents and friends,

Welcome back

Welcome back to all of our families for term two! We hope you had an enjoyable break and are ready for another excellent term of learning. We have many events to look forward to this term, including the Mothers' Day stall, our oval upgrade opening and several excursions.

Assembly

At assembly today, our student leaders shared their experiences at the ANZAC day march and ceremony



on Monday. Annie, Eva, Oscar, Darcy, Josie and Alice did a superb job of representing our school, and shared the important parts of the ceremony with us. Our students have made several art works this week related to ANZAC Day, some of which are displayed in the main building.

Some students from 5/6P shared their wonderful narrative writing 'snapshots' with us. Flicky and Marley were able to use imagery to enable the reader to feel part of the scene.

Oval upgrade

Our oval is gradually getting closer to completion. The futsal turf has been laid, the giant net is in place, and over the coming weeks we will see the football oval turf laid, as well as the goal posts in and the landscaping take place. The official completion date is now 31st May.

Mother's Day Stall

Our annual Mother's Day stall will be held on Thursday 6th May in the morning at school. Students can bring \$5 to purchase from a range of gifts. If you have some time available on this day, please contact our office to help with selling the gifts to students.

Enrolments for Foundation (prep) 2023



If you have a child who will be starting school next year, please contact our office for enrolment forms. Similarly, if you know someone in our zone intending to enrol, please advise them to enrol soon!

Natalie Toohey ~ Principal

Students Of The Week Awards

O0B ~ YURA



For the creative and focused way you approach all tasks in the classroom. Yura, we love how you can bring your imagination to life through your detailed drawings and designs. Your effort during our writing focus on narrative characters this week has been fantastic!

OOR ~ CLELMENTINE



For settling back into the term so seamlessly. Clementine, you have shown a growing confidence in the classroom routines and with your peers. You have taken responsibility for your learning and I have loved watching your growth over the year. Keep it up, superstar!

1/2B ~ MAC



For being an attentive listener, contributing to our class discussions and applying yourself to your independent learning. Great modelling of having a red hot go, champion.

1/2H ~ DUSTIN



What a wonderful ANZAC letter you have written this week. You have enthusiastically collected ideas from books, shared your knowledge in discussion and included relevant information in your writing. You have given us a great insight into the role of an ANZAC arriving in Gallipoli in 1915.

1/2K ~ HOLLY



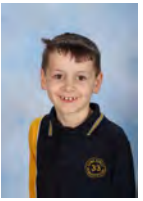
For her amazing efforts in writing this week. Holly, not only has your writing been informative, but also entertaining as well. I look forward to reading the finished product. Keep up the great work.

1/2S ~ OTTO



For starting Term 2 with such determination and enthusiasm. You should be very proud of the way you have applied yourself upon returning to school! I have been so impressed by your participation in whole-class discussions and your focus during independent learning tasks. You are amazing, ROCKSTAR!!!

3/4M ~ HUDSON



For a fantastic start to term 2! It is great to see you persisting with new concepts and completing your learning tasks. It is wonderful how anyone can rely on you to lend a helping hand. Keep it up!

3/4P ~ OLIVER



For choosing effective strategies to solve multiplication problems in numeracy this week. You demonstrated your understanding of a range of strategies and challenged yourself with the tasks each day. Keep up the amazing effort, Oliver!

3/4R ~ REMY



For being a hilarious, positive, kind and caring member of our classroom. You showcase a beautiful growth mindset, giving everything a red hot go and seek challenges. You are a wonderful role model of each of our school values, especially inclusion, tolerance and understanding. Keep up the impressive effort, Dham!

5/6J ~ AKIHIRO



For his willingness to seek feedback and continually improve his learning. Akihiro, you approach every task with a positive attitude and always strive to achieve the best you can. We are so lucky to have you in our classroom!

5/6P ~ SCARLETT



For settling straight back into the daily school routine. Scarlett, you consistently lock into all learning tasks and use feedback to complete them to an exceptional standard. This was evident within your snapshot writing, where you were able to incorporate the senses allowing the reader to feel as if they were there in the moment. Keep up the great work legend!

5/6W ~ NIAMH



For the creative and original ideas you bring to your narrative writing. Niamh, I love your unique, outside the box way of thinking, but that you're also able to take constructive feedback to make improvements to your writing. Keep up the amazing work, Superstar!



Mathletics!



A BIG Congratulations to Angus, Xander and Riley M on achieving their 1st Gold Certificate for 2022.



Well done and keep up the great work!



Dates:

Monday 2nd ~ Wednesday 4th May
Book Fair selling after school and recess

Wednesday 4th May
District Cross Country ~ selected students

Friday 6th May
Mother's Day stall

Tuesday 10th ~ Tuesday 17th May
NAPLAN assessments ~ year 3 and 5 students

Friday 13th May
No assembly due to NAPLAN testing



****Early Notice**
Monday 30th May
No school for students
(teachers Professional Practice day)



Book Fair is on next week! Students will get to preview the books this week and take a brochure and wish list home.

There is a huge range of books to check out and lots of stationary items starting at \$1.

The fair will be open in the SLC for families to come in after school on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday: 3:20-3:50 and for students to purchase at recess on Tuesday and Wednesday.

You can pay by cash or EFTPOS. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

“DSPS Community Garden is looking great after the holidays! Feel free to come down and pick anything you like.”

DSPS Community Garden



Do you want to play hockey in 2022?

Do you want to play with a friendly, inclusive club where all abilities are welcome?

Do you like to see girls and boys get the same opportunities?

Would you like a free pair of hockey socks and Sportspower gift voucher?***

Ballarat Blaze Hockey Club needs you!!!



Contact us at ballaratblazehc@gmail.com for more information!

***free socks and gift voucher for all new players who join the club, or existing players who refer a friend who then joins the club



TERM 2 PROGRAMS

MULTI-SPORTS (90 MINUTES)

Tuesdays After-School 3:35pm - 5:05pm

(26th of April) to (21st of June)

Soccer, Netball, AFL, Frisbee and Hockey.

Preps to Grade 4

\$178.20 for the 9 week program

Enrol online <https://www.kellysports.com.au/greater-ballarat>

Any queries call or text Dom on 0417 967 621

Crazy Games (90 MINUTES)

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Breakfast club



All Students Welcome!

Every Friday 8.30am in the staffroom.



HEADLICE - Please do a thorough head check of your children hair & treat if necessary. Thank you! We have had reported cases of head lice this week. One of the best preventative steps to take is to ensure that hair shoulder length or longer is tied back. When *live* headlice are detected, a child should not return to school until the day after appropriate treatment has started.

Ideas to help promote a Growth Mindset in your child



We are working hard in all learning areas across the school to help our students develop a growth mindset. At assembly we talk about the dedication and persistence necessary to achieve goals. Here are some ideas for you to use at home:

- 1. Pay attention** and verbally praise your child for behaviours, rather than skills or achievements: hard work, persistence, rising to a challenge, learning from a mistake, etc., rather than being “smart”, “brilliant” or “gifted”. It’s wonderful when a child tries something difficult over and over again, to finally master the skill.
- 2. Be a growth mindset role model.** How often do you say “I can’t (cook/sing/dance)” or “I’m terrible at (sports/spelling/public speaking)” as if there’s no hope for you? Make sure you’re sending the right message – maybe even take on something new! Our students understand that when we say, “I can’t do something”, we end the sentence with, “yet!”
- 3. Remember growth mindset isn’t just about school;** it applies to many areas of life (athletic, musical, social). Having trouble getting the basketball into the net? Keep making mistakes on a guitar chord? Tried to initiate play with someone but it didn’t go well? Discuss the next step for improvement.
- 4. Discourage envy of peers,** and talk to your child about what he or she can learn from others who appear more successful. While skills may come more easily to some, usually there’s a (sometimes unseen) element of practice, persistence, and hard work which leads to achievement.

Embracing a growth mindset isn’t always easy, but can have a huge impact on your child... and perhaps on you, too!



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